



## The Leadership Connection

*Special Edition:*

### New Center for Professional Development is Launched!



#### Gene's Corner: Opportunities Abound

Funny thing about working in education: even during the summer months – when we're on vacation and relaxing with family and friends – the important work we do is always somewhere on our minds. And, although many of you have yet to finalize plans for this upcoming academic year, I'll bet that you already have a good idea of what you would like to accomplish. I'd like to take a minute to tell you how our new Center for Professional Development can help.

The current educational climate – with its NCLB requirements, the rise of high-stakes testing, and an ever-increasing emphasis on current best practices in every field – can be difficult to navigate. Throw in the fact that local, state, and federal budgets are as tight as ever, and it's enough to make any educator lose sleep.

Here's how we can help:

- **Training on important topics with convenient schedules.** We're offering courses on timely topics – such as grant writing and external funding, and current topics in educational leadership, among others – that are offered around the region.
- **Your training focused on your needs.** We can customize a professional development experience for you and your colleagues that can take place on ISU's campus, within your school or district, or at a retreat site.
- **Get credit for attendance at workshops, conferences, and professional meetings.** You can make arrangements with the Center for Professional Development to earn credit for specific professional activities. Click [here](#) or [contact our staff](#) for more information.
- **Only \$50 per credit!** ISU's new lower pricing makes it even easier to afford the quality services you've come to expect from us.

Let's face it: educating the next generation is never easy. Give the new Center for Professional Development the chance to make it easier on you and your budget.

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## \$50 Per Credit!

### *New Lower Pricing Highlights Center's Launch*

Professional development for yourself and your colleagues just got easier to afford. ISU and the Center for Professional Development are pleased to announce that all teacher recertification credits and professional development courses are only \$50 per credit.

#### **This \$50 per credit pricing includes**

- All classes offered by the Center for Professional Development and ICEE,
- Eligible workshops, conferences, and meetings,
- Any pre-service or in-service training or meetings, and
- **Register now, pay later convenience** – Visit <http://icee.isu.edu/Develop/RegisterHere.html>, and choose to register via email, fax, or standard mail. Our staff will contact you to make payment arrangements!

Register now for one or all of these opportunities! At only \$50 per credit and with the Center's "register now, pay later policy," you can afford to sign up for more than ever before.

To see current professional development offerings and to register online, visit <http://icee.isu.edu/Develop/DevelopHome.html>. If you have questions, call or email Lori Medellin at (208) 282-4312 and [medelori@isu.edu](mailto:medelori@isu.edu).

## New Courses Highlight Fall 2005

### *Workshop on External Funding Just One of the Featured Courses*

Many new courses will be available this fall through the Center for Professional Development. Here's a quick preview of one of them:

- **Grant Writing USA workshop in Idaho Falls**  
**Course Number: EDUC 597-07 (Index #160024)**  
**Dates: August 22-23, 2005. Credits: 1**

This course – conducted by the professionals at Grant Writing USA and hosted by the Post Register's Newspaper in Education staff – will provide a two-day, intensive workshop covering

- \$ The essential components of a grant proposal package;
- \$ How to customize a proposal to match a grant maker's interest;
- \$ How to initially approach a funder;

- \$ Where to find foundation, federal, and state grant programs that can help you accomplish your goals;
- \$ Where and how to find corporate giving programs whose giving goals match your funding needs;
- \$ **And much more.**

To sign up for this workshop, **first** visit <http://grantwritingusa.com/events/ifid0805.html> or call Cathy Rittenhouse at 1-800-814-8191. **Next**, go to <http://my.isu.edu/direct/icee> and fill out the convenient form. The index number for this course is **160024**.

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Many more courses are available or will be available soon! For updates on course availability, visit <http://classes.isu.edu/fall/ICEE.shtml> or call Lori Medellin at (208) 282-4312.

### Have It Your Way

*New Online Course Proposal Form Makes Offering Custom Professional Development a Snap!*

You and your colleagues can earn credit for

- Y **Pre-service Training**
- Y **In-service Training**
- Y **Retreats**
- Y **Workshops**
- Y **And More!**

It's never been easier or more affordable. Here's how it works:

- If available, get information about who will be conducting the training, the goals of the training, and an agenda or schedule of events.
- Visit <http://icee.isu.edu/Develop/DevelopHome.html> .
- Choose one of the course proposal methods.
- Answer as many questions as you can.

Our staff will call or email the contact person listed on the course proposal form as soon as possible, less than 48 hours in most cases. We will fill in any needed information and begin the approval process.

Try it for yourself! Go to <http://icee.isu.edu/Develop/DevelopHome.html> now to see how easy earning professional development credit can be!

## Earn Credit for Superintendents' Meetings *It's Never Been More Affordable or Convenient!*

**Superintendents:** You can earn up to four professional development credits for attending the Annual Superintendents Conference and other meetings. It's easy and, at only \$50 per credit, very affordable.

- Visit <http://my.isu.edu/direct/icee> .
- Enter the required information.
- Enter the appropriate ISU Index Number and credits at the bottom of the form.

### **Superintendents' Conferences/Workshops ("21<sup>st</sup> Century Leadership"): Index # 160029**

**Choose number of credits based on anticipated hours spent in workshops/conferences:**

**16 hours=1 credit**  
**32 hours=2 credits**  
**48 hours=3 credits**  
**64 hours=4 credits**

*If in doubt, sign up for fewer credits! It is easier (and less expensive) to add credit later.*

- Follow the payment instructions.

You can also choose to **register now, pay later!** Visit <http://icee.isu.edu/Develop/RegisterHere.html> and choose either the email or fax registration options. Our staff will contact you to make payment arrangements that meet your needs.

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**New to the job?** Register today to earn one professional development credit for the **New Superintendents' Orientation** in Boise August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Here's how:

- Visit <http://my.isu.edu/direct/icee> .
- Enter your personal information on the secure, web-based form.
- Enter the appropriate ISU Index Number(s) at the bottom of the form.

### **New Superintendents' Orientation: Index #160026 (1 Credit)**

- Follow the payment instructions on the screen.

Of course, you can choose to use the downloadable forms from our website, as well. Get them at <http://icee.isu.edu/Develop/RegisterHere.html> . Those forms may be faxed or emailed to our staff, depending on your preference.

**Have a question? Let us know!** We're here to help you. Give us a call at (208) 282-4312, or send an email to Lori Medellin ([medelori@isu.edu](mailto:medelori@isu.edu)), Susan Jenkins ([jenksusa@isu.edu](mailto:jenksusa@isu.edu)), or Gene Davis ([davie@isu.edu](mailto:davie@isu.edu)).

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