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Kentucky Migrant Education Program

Important dates, deadlines and announcements

- Join 1,500 of your Migrant Education colleagues at the premier professional development conference for migrant educators and allies! The National Association of State Directors of Migrant Education (NASDME) **2019 National Migrant Education Conference is May 1-4 in New Orleans**. Registration is now open. Visit the [National Migrant Education Conference website](#) for more information or to register for the conference.
- Mark your calendars for the **2019-2020 Migrant Grant Application webinar**. The webinar will be Monday, April 8. This is a required webinar for all Migrant Education Program (MEP) staff. A calendar invitation and Skype link will be provided at a later date. The webinar will discuss updates and expectations of the new grant application and required activities of the updated Service Delivery Plan.

A year in review 2018

In the past year, the Kentucky Migrant Education Program (KYMEP) has undergone some changes. The biggest change became effective July 1, when we transitioned from five regional centers to four. Our former Eastern Region districts have merged into both the Northern and Southern Regions. We have been working toward other areas of program improvement and would like to thank every staff member for their hard work and dedication to the KYMEP throughout this year. We look forward to another great year in 2019.

Fall Academy 2018

This year's Fall Academy was another huge success. Attendees had the opportunity to attend some great sessions, meet new people and share ideas. The roundtable sessions were a hit! Migrant staff were able to attend each roundtable session and offer feedback on different processes that we are currently working on. We look forward to using your feedback to guide our focus areas for program improvement.

The Kentucky Migrant Education Program (KYMEP) staff had the pleasure of listening to two wonderful guest speakers. Sylvia Mendez is a civil rights activist who shared her story with attendees. Roger Rosenthal, the director of the Migrant Legal Action Program, also shared updates from Washington, D.C.

Along with outstanding guest speakers and sessions, we recognized Migrant Education Program staff for their work and dedication to the migrant program. Congratulations to the 2018 Fall Academy award winners.

The KYMEP appreciates the support and dedication from all staff members.

Field trip request form

As an opportunity for program improvement, the Kentucky Migrant Education Program (KYMEP) will be implementing a new process for districts and regions when obtaining Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) approval of all field trips. Instead of requiring districts to revise grant applications for each field trip, districts will be required to submit a field trip request form.

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Beginning this spring, districts and regional offices will need to fill out a field trip request form and obtain the appropriate signatures before submitting it to KDE. District programs will need to fill out the form by following the instructions on the form and obtaining district administrator and regional approval before submitting it to KDE. Regional offices will complete the forms the same way and obtain regional coordinator approval before submitting to KDE.

All request forms must be completed and submitted to KDE at least 30 days prior to each trip. Request forms for field trips taken during the summer will need to be submitted by May 1.

A training webinar to discuss the process of field trip request forms will be provided during a grant application webinar scheduled for Monday, April 8. The new field trip request forms will be effective May 1. Therefore, any field trip taken after May 1 would require a request form. The form will be located on the migrant page of the KDE website.

For questions, please contact a KDE migrant program consultant.

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