

Summer Institute for Educational Leadership

June 15 - 17, 2009

Northern Michigan University

The 2009 Educational Leadership Institute is designed to bring practicing and future school administrators together to discuss current issues in school administration and leadership. School administrators and teachers who are interested in becoming administrators are encouraged to attend. The Institute is co-sponsored by NMU's School of Education and the Upper Peninsula Center for Educational Development (UPCED).

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Part I of the Institute will begin on Monday, June 15. Featured speakers for Monday include **Deb Silver**, an award-winning educator with 30 years experience as a classroom teacher, staff development director and university professor. Her various recognitions include being named the Louisiana State Teacher of the Year. Her Keynote session will be "The Art and Heart of Teaching." Her follow-up session for administrators will be "Calgon, Take Me Away," which is about stress management for administrators!



Monday afternoon's session will feature **Sharon LaPointe**, P.C. specialist in Special Education law. This presentation will address the new graduation requirements, the new IDEA definition of LD and the use of a Personal Curriculum specifically for children with disabilities. What needs to be in place to ensure that there are options and accommodations for special needs so that they can obtain a high school diploma?

On Tuesday morning **John Underwood from Lake Placid's USOC** will do a keynote address and follow up with administrators to discuss a new high school program that confronts chemical health issues and pressures that face student athletes. He will talk to administrators about athletic codes of conduct, training and health issues, parent involvement and stakeholder unity that takes schools beyond zero tolerance.

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Part II of the Institute will begin Tuesday after lunch. Tuesday afternoon will feature **Larry Lawless (MDE - MiTAP) & Nancy Carter (NMU)** to update participants on critical issues related to Highly Qualified or Teacher Certification. They will also answer any questions or address issues of concern from participants.

The Tuesday pm session will conclude with break-out sessions concerning current issues with elementary principals, middle school principals and HS principals.

The Institute continues on Wednesday with a morning keynote by featured speaker **Frank Ciloski, MEA**. Frank Ciloski was a consultant for many years with MDE in the Office of Teacher Certification and Preparation. Frank is now working at the Michigan Education Association working directly with teachers in the area of certification, AYP, school improvement and related topics. He will be discussing the "First Rule of Teacher Certification" - IT IS THE TEACHER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP HIS/HER CERTIFICATE VALID AT ALL TIMES! Frank will review teacher certification and the impact of NCLB/AYP on educators. Frank will continue this discussion with administrators after the keynote and bring it all into perspective with the AYP/NCLB requirements.

Attorney Lisa Swem from Thrun Law Firm P.C. will close the Institute with an afternoon session presenting "*Keeping Your Schools Out of Legal Trouble*." This presentation will facilitate any questions or topics such as negligence, duty, and decision-making guides in the school. It will also review student handbooks/code of conduct, suspensions and expulsions in relation to due process and proactive steps to reduce liability. Questions from the audience will direct Lisa's presentation to specific concerns or issues.