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Seclusion and Restraint Plan Webinar May 6 and 7

During the 2013 legislative session, the Indiana General Assembly passed [SEA 345](#) which required public, charter and accredited non-public schools to develop and implement a seclusion and restraint plan. The law also established a Commission to develop a model plan. In addition, INPEA formed a subcommittee to take the Commission's model plan and make it more appropriate for non-public schools. The law requires plans to be in place by July 1, 2014.

The INPEA subcommittee will be conducting a webinar (and repeating it on two occasions) to explain to schools the law, the rules and non-public school version of Seclusion and Restraint Plan. The webinar will also explain a school's responsibilities in compliance with the law.

To register for a webinar, click the date you wish to attend below.

- [Tuesday, May 6, 1-2:30pm ET](#)
- [Wednesday, May 7, 9-10:30am ET](#)

Click "Register". On the registration form, enter your information and then click "Submit". Once the host approves your registration, you will receive a confirmation email message with instructions on how to join the event.

State Standards

Indiana "New" College and Career Readiness Standards were passed by Indiana's Education

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Roundtable on April 21st and by the State Board of Education on Monday, April 28th. Hopefully this will allow schools that utilize the standards to move forward with their instructional program planning. The State will now move forward on creating the new state assessment to replace ISTEP+. It will most likely be piloted next year. This pilot will be in addition to the final administration of ISTEP in the spring. It is doubtful though that these two votes will silence the debate. For a copy of the approved standards, [click here](#).

Special Education Voucher Webinar

On April 9, INPEA and IDOE's Office of Special Education co-presented a webinar on special education vouchers. We apologize for anyone having difficulty accessing the workshop. There was not supposed to be a password required, but when many people were logging on, it required a password. We were able to record the session (although with a small glitch at the beginning). To access the recording, [click here](#). Thanks to Becky Bowman, Indiana's State Director of Special Ed, for being the main presenter.

Indiana's Four Star Schools

Congratulations to Indiana's Four Star Schools, and special kudos to the 67 non-public schools that were recognized. This year the Indiana Department of Education recognized a total of 311 schools. It is important to note: All 25th percentiles (which is the basis for the criteria) were calculated using public school data only and then applied to public and non-public schools. To see the full list of non-public schools, [click here](#).

Capacity Study

INPEA is working with the Friedman Foundation to update capacity information (total number of student seats in a school, including both currently occupied and vacant seats) for Indiana's non-public schools. This information will be vital for the 2015 General Assembly Session. INPEA collects capacity data in its annual survey; however, the Friedman Foundation is helping us

collect data from the schools that have not responded or may have made errors in their report. We also hope in the fall to gather information on schools looking to expand. Drew Catt from the Friedman Foundation is leading this effort. Please respond as soon as possible to his short e-mail survey. It should only take a few minutes. Thanks to all who have provided the information already.

Corelink

Hopefully most elementary schools have heard that the Corelink pilot has been delayed until the fall. It is unclear at this point if the State Board will approve its use even after the delay. The current thinking is no; Corelink will not be administered at all, and instead a pilot version of the new state assessment will be administered. Corelink may be available on a voluntarily basis for practice purposes.

Tuition and Vouchers

INPEA has presented a number of webinars and in-person presentations on how tuition structures interface with the voucher program. If you have not participated in one of the trainings, or even if you have and you have questions about your tuition, feel free to contact John.

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October 23-24, 2014, Indianapolis Convention Center

Registration is NOW OPEN! Visit our website to register online: <http://inpea.org/conferences/inpec>. Register early and save money! Also check out our member registration group discounts.

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For the first time at INPEC, participants will have full

WiFi availability and are encouraged to bring their wireless devices (iPads, tablets, smartphones) and interact with colleagues during sessions and after the conference as well.

Registration brochure and information about the sessions are coming soon! We hope all schools will plan their 2014-15 school calendars so that your teachers and administrators may participate in the conference.

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Technology Webcasts

In collaboration with Cisco and DAST Consulting

Interested in becoming more tech-savvy at your school? We still have 2 technology webcasts planned for this spring! Join us for these FREE sessions specially designed for non-public school leaders, teachers and technology specialists. Earn PGP credits, too!

- **May 6:** Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) and Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT) 1:1; Initiatives: What Questions Do You Need to Answer Before Jumping In
- **May 19:** Finding the Money: Grant Resources, Financing, and Certified Refurbished Gear

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Feel free to send any questions you have for the presenter ahead of time to Amy Hershman at ahershma@cisco.com.

GreatSchools Spring Sweepstakes

Ends April 30

Post a review about your school and enter your school to win \$5,000! To enter, visit

www.greatschools.org/sweepstakes. Your review is anonymous and just takes a minute to write. Parents, teachers and students 13 and older in K-12 schools can write reviews. Once your review is posted, your school is entered to win!

Find helpful materials to promote the sweepstakes at

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Contact Kelly Bentley with questions at kbentley@greatschools.org.

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