Hello everyone,

The steering committee had its monthly conference call last week.  There are a few items worth highlighting for your information.  Don’t forget TPAC Online (tpaconline.ning.com) for implementation resources.

I hope to see many of you at the IACTE meeting in Springfield, May 15-16.

Take care,

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**An update from the IL=TPAC Steering Committee:**

Elementary Education:  we’re anticipating a revamped handbook for Elementary Education which combines attention to both literacy and mathematics in a single TPA.   Stanford will convene a design team in late May to begin drafting the blended TPA.

Coming soon!

A TPAC webcast to provide a deeper dive into the rubrics.  Short of full scorer training, the webcast is intended to provide faculty and school partners a rich understanding of how performance is scaffolded in the rubrics.  This will be a key resource as programs continue implementation efforts.

The TPA-IPTS crosswalk is under review with ISBE staff.  We should hear something soon.

From the field test:

If your campus participated in the field test, thank you!  Campuses will receive scores for their candidates reported by rubric as well as a complete set of candidates’ scores.  These will be delivered to the designated TPA coordinator.  ISBE will receive a composite state report of scores, as well as a national aggregate report.

With scores in hand, we can begin the next phase of the educative function of the TPA—namely looking at the output from our programs and determining next steps.  Perhaps a webcast later in the summer to hear about the experience of program review in light of TPA results?  If you would be interested in participating, please send me a note (adadkin@ilstu.edu).