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PROMOTING AND SUPPORTING GIFTED COORDINATORS PROGRAM

Program Description:

IDOE has partnered with Ball State University and East Central Educational Service Center to provide an opportunity for active High Ability Coordinators to participate in graduate-level coursework and ongoing support through the 2023-24 school year. This opportunity includes payment for tuition, fees, and books for a three-credit-hour course focused on high ability learners, one-on-one and small-group support, and stipends for the creation of high ability resources. Read the details about the opportunity below, and then complete the recommendation and application forms by **May 8, 2023**. This opportunity is limited to 20 seats per course and will be filled using multiple criteria, including order of application, diversity in geographic locations representing the state of Indiana, and other factors determined by IDOE. Applicants will be notified of selection by **June 1, 2023**.

Course Offerings:

These five-week intensive courses are virtual asynchronous and will run June 19-July 21, 2023.

- High Ability Coordinators **with** Gifted Education Licensure: EDPS 626 - Designing, Implementing, and Assessing Programs for Gifted & Talented Students
- High Ability Coordinators **without** Gifted Education Licensure: EDPS 520 - Introduction to the Gifted & Talented Student

High Ability Coordinators who participate will be eligible to receive a stipend after successful completion of coursework and deliverables.

EDPS 626 (with gifted licensure):

- If the participant completes coursework with an 80% or higher and completes a weekly grade/assignment completion report to the project lead, all course costs, fees, and books will be paid for by the project.
- The participant will complete the following deliverables to receive a \$3,000 stipend:
 - Actively participate in all three 45-minute mentor/mentee sessions during the 2023-24 school year with their BSU instructor for ongoing support. Participants will sign up for these sessions with their course instructor at BSU.
 - **Session 1 date offerings:** August 24, August 25, August 31, or September 1, 2023
 - **Session 2 date offerings:** November 16, 17, 20, or 21, 2023
 - **Session 3 date offerings:** February 8, 9, 14, or 15, 2024

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- Attend Information & Planning Meeting and 3 of 5 open office hours for general support and statewide networking.
 - Information & Planning Meeting: Virtual, 9 a.m. June 8, 2023
 - Office hours/PLC network events (attend at least 3 meetings)
 - **Time:** 3-4 p.m.
 - **Dates:** August 17, 2023; September 21, 2023; October 19, 2023; November 16, 2023; December 14, 2023
- Complete and submit the High Ability Program Plan template provided by IDOE by December 15, 2023.

EDPS 520 (without gifted licensure):

- If the participant completes coursework with an 80% or higher and completes a weekly grade/assignment completion report to the project lead, all course costs, fees, and books will be paid for by the project.
- The participant will complete the following deliverables to receive a \$1,500 stipend:
 - Actively participate in all three 45-minute mentor/mentee sessions during the 2023-24 school year with their BSU instructor for ongoing support. Participants will sign up for these sessions with their course instructor at BSU.
 - **Session 1 date offerings:** August 24, August 25, August 31, or September 1, 2023
 - **Session 2 date offerings:** November 16, 17, 20, or 21, 2023
 - **Session 3 date offerings:** February 8, 9, 14, or 15, 2024
 - Attend Information & Planning Meeting and 3 of 5 PLC events for general support and statewide networking.
 - Information & Planning Meeting: Virtual, 9 a.m. June 8, 2023
 - Office hours/PLC network events (attend at least 3 meetings)
 - **Time:** 3-4 p.m.
 - **Dates:** August 17, 2023; September 21, 2023; October 19, 2023; November 16, 2023; December 14, 2023
 - Create field training (resources, webinar, etc.) for statewide network (IN Learning Lab) and submit to IDOE by December 15, 2023.

To start the process, **superintendents** will recommend their high ability coordinator for participation. Upon receipt of the superintendent's recommendation, the high ability coordinator will complete the application process. Access the recommendation and application form [HERE](#).

Contact East Central Educational Service Center with questions.

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