



# Migrant Program Updates

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## Recent Questions & Answers

- What days should I register for the Federal Programs Conference? Are there migrant sessions? When are they?**  
Yes, there are many migrant sessions. However, you do not need to ONLY attend migrant sessions. There may be sessions from other programs that will also help you serve migrant students. Migrant sessions are spread out throughout the conference with the majority on Wednesday and Thursday.
- What is the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Community Council of Idaho all about? Should we sign it?**  
The MOU is intended to provide a framework for interagency collaborating between programs that serve migrant children [NCLB/ESSA 1304 (b)(3)]. Last year CCI and SDE staff updated the agreement to reflect realistic expectations for both districts and Migrant Seasonal Head Start staff. Traditionally, it has been signed every two years and contact initiated by CCI staff; however, you can reach out to them and terms can be adapted if mutually agreeable to your district and CCI.

## Upcoming Events

**Register now for State PAC Meetings**  
 Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, Idaho Falls  
 March 3<sup>rd</sup>, Caldwell  
 March 15<sup>th</sup>, Twin Falls  
[PAC Registration](#)

**Federal Programs Conference**  
 April 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>  
 Boise Centre  
[Conference Registration](#)

**National Migrant Conference**  
 April 30<sup>th</sup>-May 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Orlando, FL  
[Conference Registration](#)

**Idaho Summer Leadership Institute**  
 July 17<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>  
 Boise State University  
[Institute Application](#)

**Idaho EL Updates Regional Trainings**  
 15 dates/locations  
[Training Registration](#)

## Resources for Parents & Students

Read about the power of mentoring-

### Article: From Pig Farm to Law School

*First generation student, Jenny Gallegos, faced an uphill battle to earn her education but now she is attending University of Idaho College of Law.*

<http://www.uidaho.edu/law/news/features/2016/jenny-gallegos>

## Liaison Reminder:

Summer Leadership Institute registration is open now. Some parents and/or students will need your help to sign up. All will need a recommendation from a migrant staff person and another school staff member, and a copy of their COE.



## Hot Recruiting Tip from the Field

One of the best recruitment tips is to recruit at the school when parents are there. The best time to recruit new families is when they first come to the school. As we all know, communication with school personnel is a very important factor in our position as recruiters so... the Aberdeen School District Registrar and Family Liaison will work together this year during Kindergarten registrations on March 15<sup>th</sup>. I'm planning to set up a table at Aberdeen Elementary School and have parents pass by my table to be screened for eligibility. I will have information to share with parents regarding what the MEP is, who qualifies, what services we provide, community and school resources, liaison business cards, and OSY information.

I think this is a fantastic opportunity for me to establish a friendly and supportive relationship with families, and families can help us to recruit by word of mouth. Communicating with parents is extremely important; each family must be approached individually and on personal basis. I always find a way to build trust and confidence and establish a friendly and supportive relationship with my families. In Aberdeen we know that "Working Together We Can Make a Difference."

Thanks Teresa Torres from Aberdeen! You remind us that sometimes recruiting can be easy.

