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- TO: Educational Service District Superintendents School District Superintendents School Building Principals Assistant Superintendents for Business and/or Business Managers Assistant Superintendents for Teaching and Learning School District Personnel Directors School Public Relations Professionals
- FROM: Randy I. Dorn, State Superintendent of Public Instruction
- RE: Teacher and Principal Evaluation Project Update Educator Evaluation Data Collection Requirements under Part II of ESSB 5895
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## Introduction

This bulletin announces the opening of the Education Data System (EDS) application used to collect educator evaluation data for the 2012–13 school year. The educator evaluation data collection is mandated by state and federal law. The bulletin also serves to announce recent additions to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for the Teacher/Principal Evaluation Project (TPEP).

## **Educator Evaluation Data (Action Required)**

All school districts must submit yearly to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) information and data regarding their current evaluation systems, including evaluation criteria, the number and description of each rating tier, and the number of staff in each rating. The collection is required as a result of E2SSB 6696, ESSB 5895, and by the U.S. Department of Education as part of the ED*Facts* requirements for file N166. The legislative language, codified as RCW 28A.150.230(2)(a), can be found using the following link: <a href="http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=28A.150.230">http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=28A.150.230</a>.

The data collection is administered through a survey titled "School Employee Evaluation Survey" available through EDS. The survey collects evaluation information and aggregate-level results of evaluations performed in the school year prior to the survey year. This year, the survey must be completed with 2012–13 school year evaluation data. The survey is only accessible in EDS to district staff granted user access to the survey by their district's data security manager.

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The survey will open by November 8, 2013, and close on December 16, 2013. The survey closing date has been moved forward this year to meet an earlier federal reporting deadline. The results of the data collection will be posted online by April 1, 2013.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

The TPEP Steering Committee has published an update to the FAQs on October 9, 2013. Updated items will have footnotes indicating the date of the update on both the web and printable PDF versions of the FAQ. The FAQs are available at <u>http://tpep-wa.org/about-tpep/faqs/</u>.

For questions regarding teacher or principal evaluation policy matters, please contact Jeanne Harmon at (360) 725-6116 or email <u>Jeanne.Harmon@k12.wa.us</u>. The OSPI TTY number is (360) 664-3631.

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