

## **Indiana Department of Education Suicide Prevention Training Requirement for Licensure**

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Dear Teacher Education Faculty and Staff,

As of July 1, 2013, all individuals applying for an initial teaching license (includes instructional, student services and administrative licenses) are required to show evidence of successfully completing education and training on the prevention of child suicide and the recognition of signs that a student may be considering suicide. To meet this requirement, Dr. Carrie Watcher Morris developed a training module for this purpose through the Purdue Extended Campus at <http://www.distance.purdue.edu/youthincrisis>.

There is a \$50 fee charged in order to register and complete the training module if the teacher education student is not currently enrolled at the Purdue University West Lafayette campus. If the teacher education student is currently enrolled at Purdue University West Lafayette, the student may obtain a code from you that will allow him/her access to the module free of charge.

Students are encouraged to complete this training module while enrolled in one of the following Purdue University West Lafayette courses: EDPS 23500, methods, or student teaching/internship.

After successful completion of the module, a certificate will be issued to the teacher education student. That certificate must be uploaded to the state's online licensing system when the student applies for licensure. It cannot be reissued. If the student loses the certificate, s/he will need to complete the module again.

For a list of other suicide prevention training and resources, visit the Indiana Department of Education website at <http://www.doe.in.gov/licensing/suicide-prevention-training>.

A message about this requirement will be sent to teacher education students after the Teacher Education Advising meeting on September 19, 2013. Information also is located on the Teacher Education Website at <http://www.teach.purdue.edu/licensure/suicidePreventionCertificationRequirement.html>.

Please share this information with your colleagues. If you have any questions, contact the Office of Professional Preparation and Licensure at [licensure@purdue.edu](mailto:licensure@purdue.edu)

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Note: The completion of the module is meant to satisfy Indiana licensing requirements but is not meant to certify that the individual is trained or qualified in the area of suicide assessment.