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To: District Administrators and Principals
Wisconsin Educator Preparation Programs

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Subject: edTPA video/audio release forms and district registration processes

We are extending a heartfelt thank you to every school district in the state that served as a student teaching clinical placement site this school year and assisted in the statewide edTPA implementation year. We are also reaching out to provide information on how districts can include the edTPA video/audio parent release form in their annual registration process.

The edTPA is a pre-service teacher performance assessment portfolio completed during student teaching. Teacher candidates prepare 3-5 sequential lessons, video/audio tape themselves teaching these lessons, and compile student assessment results. These artifacts and commentaries are compiled into the portfolio of evidence and submitted to a national calibrated scorer for official scoring.

Teacher candidates are required to ensure parents are notified and have signed a parent video/audio release form acknowledging their child may be included in the taping and that the portfolio will be sent to an external review team.

- School districts have asked if the edTPA release form can be included in their district registration process when parents are filling out registration forms for their children. Yes, it absolutely can. In fact, please consider using the video/audio release form in your registration process.
- The form is available in English, Spanish, Hmong, and Somali on our Wisconsin edTPA webpage here: <http://dpi.wi.gov/tepd/epp/edtpa>.

We are grateful for the legal services provided by the Wisconsin School Boards Association, the University of Wisconsin System Administration, and the Department of Public Instruction to develop the parent video/audio release form that can be used in our Wisconsin school districts.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with questions to tammy.huth@dpi.wi.gov and browse our Wisconsin edTPA website <http://dpi.wi.gov/tepd/epp/edtpa> for valuable district resources.