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TO: Educational Service District Superintendents  
Private School Administrators

FROM: Randy I. Dorn, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

RE: Private Schools Annual Summer Conference and Private Schools Response to Intervention Conference

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The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) is pleased to announce the Private Schools Annual Summer Conference and the Private Schools Response to Intervention (RtI) Conference. These conferences will offer excellent professional development opportunities to our private school educators in Washington State.

Both conferences are funded through the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act Title II, Part A Teacher and Principal Quality program. These conferences are complimentary to all educators employed by private schools approved by the State Board of Education. This memorandum provides information regarding conference schedules, content, registration procedures, and flyers for distribution to private school teachers.

### **Private Schools Summer Conference**

The fifth annual Private Schools Summer Conference, in partnership with Seattle Pacific University's Center for Professional Education and Gonzaga University's School of Education, will provide educators with equitable participation services in state-level activities designed to improve teacher and principal quality. This is in addition to the services provided to private school educators through their local school districts.

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This year's Private Schools Summer Conference will offer three (3) two-day sessions on *Effective Teaching Strategies to Implement Common Core State Standards*. Each session will contain the same content and materials. The conferences will be held as follows:

Date/Time	Topic and Content Information	Location
June 23–24, 2014 9:00am–4:00pm	<i>Effective Teaching Strategies to Implement Common Core State Standards</i>	Gonzaga University Cataldo Globe Room 502 E Boone Avenue Spokane, WA 99258
June 25–26, 2014 9:00am–4:00pm	<i>Effective Teaching Strategies to Implement Common Core State Standards</i>	Seattle Pacific University Upper Gwinn 3307 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue West Seattle, WA 98119
August 25–26, 2014 9:00am–4:00pm	<i>Effective Teaching Strategies to Implement Common Core State Standards</i>	Seattle Pacific University Upper Gwinn 3307 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue West Seattle, WA 98119

### Response to Intervention (Rtl) Conference

The final year of the OSPI commitment to train private school educators on the Response to Intervention model will focus on refining the implementation of Rtl, specifically, effective use of data to target learning needs and improve instruction.

WestEd will provide the training for this two-day professional development conference. The conference will be held as follows:

Date/Time	Topic and Content Information	Location
June 16–17, 2014 9:00am–4:00pm	<i>Response to Intervention</i>	Seattle Pacific University Upper Gwinn 3307 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue West Seattle, WA 98119

### Registration Process

Registration for both conferences will open on May 12, 2014. Registration for both conferences can be found on our Title II, Part A Private Schools website at <http://www.k12.wa.us/TitleII/PrivateSchools/Conference.aspx>.

### Conference Meals

As of 2012, the Title II, Part A Office at the U.S. Department of Education no longer allows the use of federal funds to provide food and beverages at meetings or professional development training sessions.

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Only a working lunch will be provided. We encourage all conference participants to be aware of these changes and to plan accordingly.

Should you have any questions, please contact your Private Schools Advisory Committee (PSAC) representative or Pat Smithson, Program Supervisor, Title II, Part A at (360) 725-6340 or email [pat.smithson@k12.wa.us](mailto:pat.smithson@k12.wa.us). The agency TTY number is (360) 664-3631.

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Attachment A: Response to Intervention Conference Flyer  
Attachment B: Private Schools Summer Conference Flyer

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