

TAALC Initiative

- What: Program to increase communication for students with complex needs. Involves monthly coaching from team at UK/HDI.
- When: Applications can be submitted at any time throughout the year as needs arise (applications were emailed 8/21/15). Applications are lengthy but the program is very beneficial. Contact Jessica Purchis if you need assistance with the applications.
- Other: See email regarding access to free webinars related to communication. Beneficial for teachers, SLPs, paraprofessionals, etc.

Kentucky Peer Support Network

- What: Program to help increase peer support networks within schools.
 - Targeted for middle and high school but appropriate for any grade level.
 - Different than peer tutoring
- When: Initial training 9/17/15. Must submit application to attend training (see 8/21/15 email for application and directions)

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- Handouts:
 - Fast 5 email with new model for determining CCR points for students on alternate assessment.
 - EFAS documents – These are the standards students on which students will be assessed. It is imperative that teachers have these standards and begin teaching them now. Electronic copy will be sent today so you can forward to teachers if desired.
- Timeline:
 - 2015-2016 – 4 usability sites across the state, with initial training beginning for all districts (TBA)
 - 2016-2017 – full state pilot
 - 2017-2018 – accountability goes into effect
- **What do I need to do right now?**
 - Make sure low incidence teachers have the EFAS standards and begin teaching the skills.
 - Begin assembling district teams (teachers, DoSE, guidance counselors, principals)
 - Consider implementing at least some pieces of the model this year. Contact Jessica Purchis for specific support or ideas on how to begin implementation.