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State Superintendent of Education

May 1, 2009

Dear Superintendent:

I am writing to provide information concerning the online self-monitoring checklist for funded state TBE/TPI and Title III LIPLEP/IEP programs.

As part of a comprehensive effort to monitor state Transitional Bilingual Education/Transitional Program of Instruction (TBE/TPI) and Federal Title III (LIPLEPS and IEP) grant programs, the ISBE Division of English Language Learning (DELL) is requiring that all school districts who receive these funds complete a self-monitoring checklist. The checklist includes program requirements specified in the applicable State and Federal legislation or rules and is part of the State monitoring process.

All school districts that receive TBE/TPI funding must complete, sign and return the self-monitoring report together with the grant application to the Division of English Language Learning at the address listed below, no later than **June 30, 2009**.

Illinois State Board of Education
Division of English Language Learning
100 W Randolph, Suite 14-300
Chicago, Illinois 60601

The enclosed self-monitoring checklist, also available at <http://www.isbe.net/bilingual> as a PDF file with fill-in fields, will allow districts the opportunity to align local efforts with state law [105 ILCS 5/14C] and federal law [NCLB Title III PL 107-110].

Upon receipt of the online self-monitoring checklists, ISBE Division of English Language Learning will:

- Log in and review them
- Document local efforts for compliance with 105 ILCS 5/14C and NCLB Title III PL 107-110
- Facilitate technical assistance with local districts
- Activate an onsite monitoring schedule for 2010

Districts selected for onsite monitoring visits in 2010 will be notified by mail in advance of their scheduled compliance monitoring visit.

Should you have additional questions about the self-monitoring checklist, please feel free to contact Ilyse Leland at 312-814-3850.

Sincerely,

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Division Administrator
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