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Special Points of Interest

- * Returning as presenters to KPA are Dr. Blake Haselton; Superintendent Tommy Floyd, and Ms. Brenda McClain!
- * We have intentionally selected venues for our meetings to express our desire to demonstrate to you that this is a truly different experience!

Kentucky Principals Academy

Louisville, Kentucky

KPA Application 2011

June 20-23, 2011

The Call to the Post!

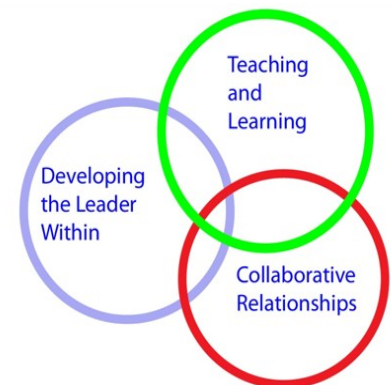
Using the horseracing theme so common in Louisville, we are “off to the races” planning our fourth year of Kentucky Principals Academy experiences. Colleagues from previous KPAs have deemed their KPA days as some of the best professional development of their careers.

KPA is a professional development residency tailored to the unique needs of contemporary, practicing principals. Each KPA is designed with the needs of the cohort members in mind. We craft relevant, timely, and meaningful experiences that principals leading schools in Kentucky need to successfully lead their schools.

KPA for 2011 is based in Louisville, Kentucky. We make use of exciting venues, great restaurants, and show you the best Louisville has to offer. After reviewing the information in this newsletter, contact Debbie Powers, the Executive Director at debbie.powers@louisville.edu.

You may also check our website for information.

www.theprincipalsacademy.net



KPA Returns to its Louisville roots

This is an exciting time for us at KPA. In 2010, we expanded from one cohort in Louisville to three cohorts across the state as well as a customized KPA experience for the administrators in Kenton County.

We are conducting our flagship KPA for 2011 in Louis-

ville, Kentucky June 20-23. Our work with principals and other school administrators continues to evolve to meet the ever-changing demands of the contemporary principalship.

We are excited to showcase all that Louisville has to offer to principals from around the Commonwealth

of Kentucky. From exciting venues to great restaurants to our annual closing luncheon on the banks of the Ohio River, Louisville is the place to be this summer. Join us for KPA 2011!



Venue Information

KPA is a unique professional development experience. We attempt to set a very intentional tone of professionalism through each activity but also in terms of the venues, supplies, resources, and our cohort-based experiences.

Our KPA headquarters hotel is the Courtyard by Marriott Second Street in the heart of downtown Louisville. Located at the foot of the Second Street Bridge and directly across from the new Downtown YUM! Arena, the hotel is the perfect location for our

cohort lodging. Rooms are paid by KPA with parking and breakfast included. This hotel is within walking distance of restaurants and attractions to enjoy during free time including Fourth Street Live!



Other venues for KPA in the past have included the Mohammed Ali

Center, Churchill Downs, and the University Club at the University of Louisville. A hallmark of our Academy experiences has also been great dining experiences and that tradition will continue with the 2011 cohort.

Even if you are close to Louisville, we encourage you to stay at the hotel and share meals with the cohort. The shared experiences are what helps cement our new relationships.



What to bring...what to wear!

The success of your personal academy experience is dependent on your level of engagement. We intend to treat you like the CEO of your building because...you **ARE** the CEO of your building. No brown bag lunches for this crowd! We will feed you well, treat you well, and hopefully provide that much needed shot of enthusiasm to help you reengage in new and meaningful ways when you return

from this experience.

To that end, we encourage you to pack along a great attitude! We want you to dress comfortably, but professionally, so casual business attire is the rule here. Please refrain from wearing jeans or casual shorts as some of our venues do not allow that attire.

Once your application to KPA is accepted, you will receive an orientation

packet to include a copy of a book chapter. Please read the chapter before coming in June so that we can use it as a discussion activity on our opening evening.

We will provide notebooks, a data stick, pens, and other appropriate supplies. You may want to bring along a laptop for use during our work sessions.

Looking ahead to June and beyond

KPA is not just a "one-hit wonder" for you. You will be invited to attend KPA cohort member only events throughout the school year. Typically we hold an event in the fall and we are working to host periodic regional KPA events, as well.

What do others have to say about KPA?

"The design of the Academy experience was great. Not only did you take

care of our learning needs, but you took care of us as people. Thank you for your thoughtful attention to ALL of our needs."

"I met so many new colleagues through this experience. Thank you!"

"I truly enjoyed the weekend and all of the learning. I am so excited about

the continued growth and networking with incredible educators." Amy Razor, Grants Lick Elementary School, Campbell County

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for additional information or for your electronic application.

Sample Schedule—Yes, it's a full day!

Casual Business Attire Required

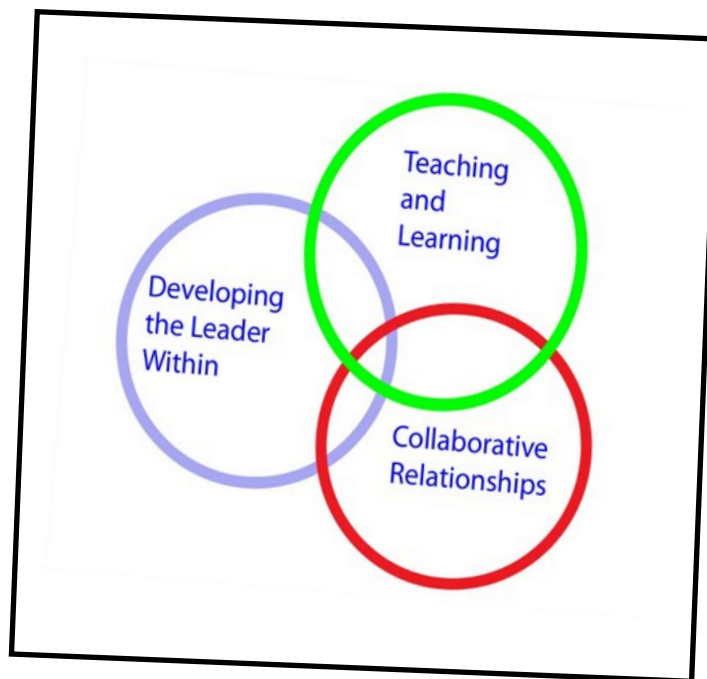
<i>Breakfast, Hotel Restaurant</i>	<i>7:00-8:00 AM</i>	
<i>Opening Session</i>	<i>8:30-9:30 AM</i>	
<i>Welcome and Introductions</i> <i>Everyday Creativity</i>		
<i>Time Management &</i> <i>LifePlanning Exercise</i>	<i>9:45-10:30 AM</i>	<i>Dr. Haselton</i> <i>Interim Dean, UofL</i>
<i>Break</i>	<i>10:30-11:00 AM</i>	
<i>The Big Rocks for Principals</i>	<i>11:00-12:30 AM</i>	<i>KPA Team</i>
<i>Lunch, provided</i>	<i>12:30-1:15 PM</i>	
<i>Tour of Venue Facility</i>	<i>1:15-2:00 PM</i>	
<i>Change Leadership Workshop</i>	<i>2:00-3:30 PM</i>	<i>KPA Team</i>
<i>Break</i>	<i>3:30-3:45 PM</i>	
<i>Roundtable Discussions</i>	<i>3:45-5:00 PM</i>	<i>KPA Team</i>
<i>Dinner, provided</i>	<i>6:00-7:00 PM</i>	
<i>Great Groups Exercise</i>	<i>7:15-8:30 PM</i>	<i>KPA Team</i>
<i>Death by Chocolate Dessert Party</i>	<i>8:30-9:30 PM</i>	<i>KPA Team</i>

KPA @ UofL

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From the Director...

You really have no idea how excited we are to be hosting KPA again for the fourth year. Working with principals from across the Commonwealth of Kentucky has been a phenomenal experience for me personally and I am pleased we are able to continue this work.

Please know we do everything we possibly can to ensure you have a meaningful experience and that you leave with tools that you can employ the moment you return to your buildings. Everything we do is with that in mind and everyone who works with you during this experience feels the same way. It's about your success and your growth as an administrator.

As the host organization, the University of Louisville has been gracious in lending support to KPA in many ways. I am truly grateful for the op-

portunity the university has provided in helping KPA grow to a statewide network of principals. Special thanks goes to Dr. Blake Haselton, the principal investigator on the original KPA grant and a man I consider the founder of KPA. Without his vision, guidance, and support, KPA would not be what it is today.

The past three years have seen over 150 administrators progress through KPA. KPA alums continue to help mentor and lead the work across the state supporting their colleagues and helping to build a



strong network of committed, educated, responsive school leaders. I am proud to know them, proud to work with them, and prouder still to be planning year four of KPA.

You may apply using the enclosed application or you may apply online at www.theprincipalsacademy.net. Most expenses for KPA are covered through our grant through CPE and the Kentucky General Assembly. Your travel to Louisville and some meals are your only personal expenses.

Please see our website for additional information or contact me directly at debbie.powers@louisville.edu. I look forward to hearing from you.

Welcome to KPA!

Debbie Powers

