

APPROACHING DEADLINES:

June/July 2009	E-Rate FY08 Deadlines for Form 486 - Priority Two Wave 38-6/3/09; Wave 39-6/11/09; Wave 40-7/2/09; Wave 41-7/1/09 Wave 42-7/8/09; Wave 43-7/15/09; Wave 44-7/22/09; Wave 45-7/29/09
June 12, 2009	PD Grants – Expenditure deadline for FY09 PD funds
June 19, 2009	PD Grants – Online reporting deadline for Final Reports
June 30, 2009	PD Grants – Signed (paper) Final Expenditure Report (FER) to eTech Ohio

Ohio K-12 Network Funding for FY10 - Building Connectivity Payments

During FY10, Ohio K-12 connectivity payments will be issued in two installments. Approximately 50% of the funding will be issued during the application period between September and the end of October. The second half of the funding will then be issued in the January/February timeframe, dropping payments for any buildings which might have closed during the first semester. The change is necessary to be flexible in reacting to any FY10 state budget cuts that may occur.

Deadlines for Professional Development Grant Reporting

Reporting deadlines to finalize districts' FY09 Professional Development Grant cycle have been extended and are now available online. Please be sure you've expended (cut a check) any remaining PD grant funds by **June 12**; unexpended funds over \$100 are required to be returned. If you have questions about eligible options for utilizing these funds be sure to contact your ETC before June 12. The online reporting components are due **June 19** and Signed Final Expenditure Reports (FER) are due to eTech Ohio by **June 30**.

Note: To access your PD grant opportunity, log in to your Hall Pass account, click on the "My Applications/Transcript" link. Next, select "Show previously awarded/approved applications." If the opportunity does not show up, or you were not the person that originally applied for the grant, please contact your ETC for assistance.

Tech Plans Expiring on June 30, 2009

Remember, your eTech Ohio educational technology consultant needs adequate time to review your technology plan. Be sure to contact your ETC for assistance if you have not submitted your plan or have questions or concerns about the planning process or use of the Technology Planning Tool.

To locate your technology plan on our new website, use the following link, www.etech.ohio.gov/go/tpt click on the "Access my Technology Plan(s)" link and follow the directions.

Hall Pass Reactivation

Hall Pass accounts are disabled after two years of inactivity. If your account has been disabled, contact customerservice@etech.ohio.gov. If you've forgotten your password, click on "Log in" then on the "Forgot your Password?" link and you'll be sent a temporary password immediately. Hall Pass is needed to access online resources such as the Technology Planning Tool, certificates of participation for the Educational Technology Conference and other continuing education offered by eTech Ohio. Please make sure your Hall Pass profile is up-to-date. You'll find the login link at the top left corner of our website.

Registration Continues for Ohio's 2010 Educational Technology Conference

Meet thousands of Ohio educators at the state's premiere educational technology professional development conference. Don't miss this opportunity to see emerging technologies and the convergence of existing ones. Learn from your peers and national experts as they share their experiences with technology in the classroom, school building and community.

Conference registration will be managed by eTech Ohio this year. Please go to www.etech.ohio.gov/conference/ to register online or to download a PDF of the application to register by mail. If you have questions about the registration process, please contact the registration staff at conference_registration@etech.ohio.gov or call 877.383.2406.

ITSCO Brings "Exploring Web 2.0" Alive at Ohio on iTunes U

Classroom teachers are significantly increasing their use of blogs, wikis and podcasts in the classroom, providing a hands-on learning environment and promoting 21st Century Skills. ITSCO is taking the lead on offering a series of free podcasts for *Ohio on iTunes U* with 16 tracks on Exploring Web 2.0. Tracks cover 2-10 minute overviews on Web 2.0 skills including social networking, bookmarking, blogs, wikis, Flickr, Google applications, Yahoo pipe, and Twitter. Go to www.etech.ohio.gov/go/ohioitunesu for more information.

eTech Ohio Connections

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