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**TO:** CSU Deans of Education  
CSU Deans of Science and Mathematics

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**FROM:** Beverly L. Young *BY*  
Assistant Vice Chancellor

**SUBJECT: Professional Development for  
English and Mathematics Single Subject Preservice Program Faculty**

This is to request your assistance in identifying and facilitating the attendance of your campus faculty members (full or part time) who teach in your English and Mathematics Single Subject preservice programs at a professional development day related to the Early Assessment Program.

The Early Assessment Program (EAP) is a collaborative effort among the State Board of Education (SBE), the California Department of Education (CDE), and the California State University (CSU), established to provide opportunities for students to measure their readiness for college-level English and mathematics in their junior year of high school, and to facilitate opportunities for them to improve their skills during their senior year. One goal of the EAP program is to equip California high school graduates to be able to enter the CSU fully prepared to begin college-level study. Over the past two years, CSU has provided substantial resources to schools through professional development for their practicing teachers.

What we have not done to date, however, is to systematically and fully prepare new teacher candidates graduating from the CSU to be knowledgeable about and skilled in the pedagogy and content needed to help prepare high school students to demonstrate proficiency in Mathematics and English. The Chancellor's Office is now providing additional resources to address this critical need.

Preparation is underway for a professional development day for those faculty members at all CSU campuses who are involved in the preparation of secondary (Single Subject) teachers in English and Mathematics at either the undergraduate level or in methods courses. The professional development will include an overview of the EAP, then separate sessions for those faculty teaching English and English methods or Mathematics and Mathematics methods will be conducted for the remainder of the day.

Faculty from Southern California campuses should plan to attend the full day session on Friday, March 3, 2006, at the Radisson Hotel at Los Angeles International Hotel from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Faculty from Northern California campuses should plan to attend the full day session on Friday, March 24, 2006, at the Waterfront Hotel in Jack London Square, in Oakland from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

We would like to encourage campuses to send teams of faculty to the sessions. The CSU will reimburse faculty for travel expenses, such as mileage, bridge tolls, etc. Faculty members from the same campus are also encouraged to car pool.

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Faculty members can register for the conferences via *RegOnline* for the Los Angeles event at <http://www.regonline.com/89574> and for the Oakland event at <http://www.regonline.com/89630>.

The Early Assessment Program is one of the most important outreach efforts in the history of the CSU. Please strongly encourage your faculty to attend the professional development session in your area. If your campus also has a Single Subjects Coordinator (or interested Chair), they are also invited to participate.

BY/ssg

c: CSU Academic Council  
Keith O. Boyum