Student Teaching Handbook - Addendum

**COVID 19**

The Bayh College of Education at Indiana State University is working very hard to accommodate student teaching placements during the COVID-19 pandemic. While it is preferred that the students have a face to face student teaching experience, the college realizes that that scenario may not be the safest and most practical option. If a school or school corporation makes the decision to go to a virtual learning format, the college hopes that schools will be able to continue to incorporate a student teacher into that type of education model.

University Supervisors met to discuss the upcoming academic year and the accommodations they may need to make if schools decide to close down. If University Supervisors are allowed to enter schools, they will continue to participate in face to face observations and follow-up discussions. If they are not allowed in the schools, then they will support the student and the supervising teacher through phone calls, emails and virtual formats.

When it is time to conduct midterm and final evaluations, the decision will be made on an individualized student basis on how the evaluations will be completed. If the University Supervisor feels they have observed the student teacher enough in a teaching capacity, the evaluation will be completed in a formal triad meeting with the Supervising Teacher, the University Supervisor and the student teacher. If the University Supervisor feels that they have not observed the student teacher enough to complete the evaluation, then the Supervising Teacher will complete the evaluation on their own. Should a student teaching experience be ended early due to COVID, a final evaluation will need to be completed, regardless of when the midterm evaluation was completed or how long the student has been in the placement. All evaluations will be delivered to the University Supervisor and Supervising Teacher by email and once the evaluation is completed, it needs to be returned to the Assistant Director of Education Student Services by email as well.