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Date: Wed, 19 Apr 2006 08:39:22 -0400
From: "Larry Fruth" <lfruth@sifinfo.org>
Subject: New SIFA Staff Member

Interoperability Stakeholders,

I am pleased to announce to you today the newest addition to the SIFA staff - Jill Abbott our new Learning Strategist. Jill brings to the Association a wealth of experience to facilitate the successful implementation of the Board directive to expand the specification to enable teaching and learning.

Jill's experience includes classroom teaching, curriculum and professional development, virtual education and e-Learning project management in the vendor and state policy space. Jill is well known to all state and federal associations and government agencies that are involved in effectively utilizing technology to impact the teaching and learning process. Most recently she was the state manager for the federal Enhancing Education Through the use of Technology program within NCLB.

We are happy and excited to have Jill on board as she begins to facilitate the creating of SIFA's 'Learning Enabling Vision' with stakeholders within and outside of the Association. I hope many of you get to meet her next week in Chicago but please feel free to contact her at any time at jabott@sifinfo.org. It is an exciting time for Association and having Jill will help us move toward enabling teaching and learning by facilitating the development of our specification and certification programs.

I hope to see you all next week and please feel free to contact any of the staff at any time if we can help with your "regular" job!

Larry

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Date: Fri, 21 Apr 2006 06:40:53 -0400

From: "Larry Fruth" <lfruth@sifinfo.org>

Subject: FW: KY SIS RFP

SIFA Stakeholders,

On the EdSTART RFP Place web site (<http://www.sifinfo.org/rfp-place.asp>) please find the recently released RFP by the State of Kentucky for the development of a statewide Student Information System. This was passed along from this great member and I hope we have some strong responses. From the RFP:

The State of Kentucky, hereinafter referred to as the State, is seeking a qualified Vendor to create a statewide Student Information System (SIS) to manage student data, plan for educational programs, monitor student performance, and comply with state and federal reporting requirements. The state of the art SIS shall provide an efficient means to collect and use student data at the individual schools and districts while establishing a state database based on a unique student identifier. With student information management in place, the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) program areas will be able to access student information in order to monitor program progress.

As a reminder we are now updating the RFP Place on the EdSTART section of our website (<http://www.sifinfo.org/rfp-place.asp>). LEA and SEA members please send along any of your RFP's for sharing with each other (current or closed versions) and vendors check there often to see recent and past opportunities.

Cheers

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