Look for PDI "Scorecard" This Fall

In September, all non-certified Class A, Superintendent Member, Class C and Inactive members will receive a mailing detailing how the Professional Development Initiative will affect them upon its implementation July 1, 2003.

Referred to as the "scorecard" mailing, members will receive a letter that outlines their current membership classification with the assumption they will remain in that classification as of July 1, 2003.

Class A members will be notified in late September about their ongoing requirements and what they will need to do to maintain their Class A status. They also will learn how the initial renewal cycles will be prorated.

Superintendent Members will receive information in early September in the form of a letter detailing two scenarios:

1. The eligibility requirements necessary to earn Class A status if they have not done so by July 1, 2003.

2. Their Class A ongoing requirements if they obtain Class A status prior to July 1, 2003.

In addition to this letter, Superintendent Members will receive a transcript listing all of the CEUs (beginning July 1, 2003, CEUs will be known as "education points") they have received to date. If they have not reached Class A status through their years of superintendent experience by July 1, 2003, this transcript will enable them to determine the number of points, if any, they must attain in order to qualify for Class A after July 1, 2003. Class C members will receive information in late September detailing what it will take to become eligible for Class A status after July 1, 2003, as well as a current copy of their CEU transcript. Inactive members also will be informed of their requirements to earn Class A status. Superintendent Members and Class C members are encouraged to notify GCSAA immediately if they feel something is not listed correctly on their individual transcripts.

"We're sending your transcript out to you in advance for the very reason of making sure we've got the most up-to-date information on record for you," says GCSAA Vice President Jon Maddern, CGCS. "If something's missing from your record, by all means, let us know." In preparation for or upon receipt of this mailing, members are encouraged to review the Class A Code of Standards.

The Class A Code of Standards is the governing document that will be used to administer the entry-level and ongoing requirements for Class A status. In this "working" document you will find the policies governing every possible anticipated scenario that members may be faced with regarding the additional requirements for Class A. Emphasis must be placed, however, on the concept that this document contains all anticipated scenarios. GCSAA realizes that situations may arise over time that have not been covered in this code – in such cases the membership committee would provide a recommendation to the GCSAA Board of Directors for amending the document.

