

PRESIDENT'S POINTS 2/8/06

Credential verification

The CCTC has designed a program which enables us to recommend candidates for a credential in a timely manner, with verification from the CCTC arriving in days, the credential posted to the web site within 48 hours and other than the credential document which is mailed to the candidates within 10 days, no paper changing hands! How long have we asked the CCTC for such a speedy process? Of course there are glitches but for a new program implemented state wide it is operating extremely well. In this day of computers it is time to process credentials and credential verifications electronically. The on-line process is a good transition to the near future when paper documents will not longer be issued and the website will be where we verify credential issuance.

Part of the "deal" for IHEs implementing this process is that we would no longer need to handle paper or money or issue credential verification (C-19) letters. As IHEs are working hard to implement the on-line process I hope districts will figure how to use the final CCTC e-mail as verification of credential issuance as recommended by the CCTC in Credential Information Alert #06-01, particularly when the details about the credential show up on the web page within 48 hours. I encourage you to please use the web page to verify credential issuance, it is a very secure and fraud free resource:

<https://teachercred.ctc.ca.gov/teachers/index.jsp>

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