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1. Don't Forget to Register for the 2008 SLGFA Annual Conference: Are You Game?

On Monday, March 17 and Tuesday, March 18, SLGFA has an exciting conference planned with fun, games and helpful workshops at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Little Rock, Arkansas. **The SLGFA conference group rate will only be available through today**, so reserve your hotel rooms by phone at 501-312-9000 or [online](#). If you're calling, don't forget to request the conference group rate.

Let us know if you're game by [registering for the conference online](#). For additional information and to view the tentative agenda, check out our conference web page by clicking on the following link:
<http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/conference/2008/index.asp>

2. Congress Extends Higher Education Act

Congress is expected to recess on March 14, 2008 for a state work period until the end of the month. The long anticipated reauthorization of the Higher Education Act (HEA) is not likely to take place during March. With this in mind, the Senate and House passed a one-month extension of the HEA.

The Senate and House have passed separate versions of the legislation to reauthorize the HEA, but are currently working to negotiate the differences between the two bills. The one-month extension suggests that Congress intends to complete the HEA reauthorization in April.

3. Compliance Corner: Return to Title IV Calculation

Is a school required to perform a Return to Title IV calculation if a student withdraws past the 60 percent enrollment point? Click on the following link for the response to this question:
<http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/pubs/updates/compliancecorner/CC031408.asp>

4. OMB Extends Expiration Date for Federal Stafford Loan MPN

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has extended the expiration date for the Federal Stafford Loan Master Promissory Note until May 31, 2008. Schools, lenders and borrowers should continue to use the current form until a new form is approved by the U.S. Department of Education. To view the notice from OMB, please click on the following link:
<http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAOMBHistory?ombControlNumber=1845-0006#>

5. Common Manual Revisions

The *Common Manual* Governing Board approved the most recent revisions, ten proposals from Batch 147, to the *Common Manual* on February 21, 2008. Each is currently available. More information about these revisions to the *Common Manual* can be found by clicking the following link:
<http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/pubs/cm-revisions/Februaryrevisions/Feb2008/Batch147.asp>

6. February Loan Volume Report Posted

The February 2008 Lender Loan Volume Report is available on SLGFA's website. Click on the provided link to access loan volume reports: <http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/LVReports/LLVR.asp>

7. Mapping Your Future Changes URL

Mapping Your Future is redesigning its website to be more user friendly and changed its URL to www.mappingyourfuture.org in July last year, eliminating the dashes. The website redesign is scheduled for implementation during the evening of March 28, 2008. Additional information about the changes involved is available at the following link: <http://mapping-your-future.org/downloads/02-2008OSLCENews.html>

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