



# PEI

**PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS OF IOWA**

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## Beware! Sunshine Ahead!



Are you planning an Orlando adventure for this year? One of your many PEI benefits is discounted travel in the Orlando area! Theme parks, vacation rentals and packages are just a click away! For more information, visit: [bit.ly/1L9WnSX](http://bit.ly/1L9WnSX)

This is the time of year when we see the level of stress impacting our students and staff the hardest. We want you to know that you are just a phone call or email away from assistance! If you look at your insurance sheet which we place in every new and renewal packet you will see the many items that are covered with your membership. However, more importantly, I want you to know the personal items we help our members with on a daily basis.

Do you need to email documentation to an administrator? Let us know.

Do you have a student who seems to be getting the best of you? Call us.

Is there a parent you need help communicating with? Contact us!

There are many issues in which we can help you without anyone ever having to know you are receiving assistance.

Let us help you to make this your most successful year yet!

Sincerely,  
Jodie Nation



## A View from the Hill

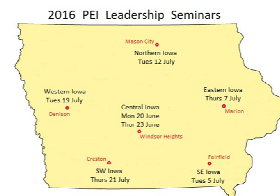
The phrase most repeated in jest at the Iowa State Capitol this year was "We put the FUN in funnel!" The first deadline of a legislative session each year is funnel week. Any bill that did not make it out of committee yet, is dead for this year. There are a few exceptions, but don't ask. The second funnel will follow in a month as the Senate moves House bills through committee and the House moves Senate bills through their committees. Lest you forget, the Iowa House of Representatives has a majority of Republicans, while the Senate is controlled by the Democrats. Consequently, making it through one house's funnel doesn't guarantee a safe future for that bill. Here are a few selected bills that have survived: [bit.ly/21gattp](http://bit.ly/21gattp)



Mark Felderman

## Coming to a town near you! Summer 2016 Leadership Seminars Announced

We are excited to announce that the dates for our summer leadership seminars have now been set. Last year's seminars were extremely popular among those who attended, and this year's leadership training sessions look to be even more fun and informative. [Bit.ly/24pg5AA](http://Bit.ly/24pg5AA)



## Seeking Members Interested in Networking

We are still looking for members who are willing to participate in our new Professional Learning Networks (PLNs). If you are interested in connecting with fellow educators and PEI members, let us know your interest and watch your inbox for updates on the network(s) you choose.

You can call our office at 515-221-2330 or use this form <http://www.peiowa.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/PEI-PLN-App.doc> to indicate the PLNs in which you may be interested in participating. Email the completed form to [info@peiowa.org](mailto:info@peiowa.org) and wait for our first conversation topics in the coming weeks!

## Two Great Opportunities to Support the PEI Foundation and Have FUN Doing It!



### PEI/Independent Insurance Services Charity Golf Outing

Friday June 17, 2016  
Toad Valley Golf Course  
Pleasant Hill, IA  
12:30 pm



### 2nd Annual PEI Major League Baseball Trip

Wednesday, July 20, 2016  
Kauffman Stadium, Kansas City

Click here for more information: [bit.ly/1VEo6vA](http://bit.ly/1VEo6vA)

#### Quick Links...

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