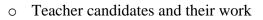# PASS-PORT INFORMATION

WHAT IS PASS-PORT?

- Pass-Port is an electronic database system that includes an electronic teacher candidate portfolio. The Education professors are able to design what should/must be included in this electronic database. Basic data includes:
  - Teacher candidates and their work
  - All required assessments that teacher candidates complete for teacher certification
  - All required assessment scores
  - Any documents that the teacher candidate wants in their portfolio that represents their knowledge, performances, and Dispositions

WHY DID THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT DECIDE TO SUBSCRIBE TO PASS-PORT?

- The Department's traditional way of collecting data and test scores using Excel or Word has become unreliable and very difficult to consistently use in reports over time.

- Accreditation of Hanover College's teacher certification programs requires clean data and consistent reporting to the Indiana Department of Education, the federal government, and to the national professional associations.

- Local technical support was difficult to organize when needed. Students did not have access to their own record of assessments and results.

- Electronic or computer-based resources and support is more efficient and savvy.

- Pass-Port will accommodate the Department's use of teacher candidate portfolios as a performance-based assessment.

WHEN WILL TEACHER CANDIDATES USE PASS-PORT?

- A limited number of candidates can begin using Pass-Port in December 2013. Candidates will be asked to attend at least one Pass-Port workshop in Newby Hall in January 2014.

- Candidates who subscribe can begin to upload required assessments that are listed for them in Pass-Port. Professors can begin to score required assessments using Pass-Port. Candidates will receive scores through Pass-Port.

- Candidates will begin to choose other documents to upload into Pass-Port that will become part of their electronic portfolio. Candidates will use Pass-Port whenever they have a required assessment to upload from an Education course or professor.

WHY WOULD A TEACHER CANDIDATE FIND PASS-PORT USEFUL?

- All candidates will eventually be able to keep track of their teacher certification requirements and assessment scores in Pass-Port.

- All candidates will be able to review or revise their work within Pass-Port in order to successfully complete teacher certification.

- Candidates can download an electronic portfolio to use for employment, job interviews, or resumes.