## **REQUEST TO REPORT ACT 48 CREDITS TO P.D.E.**

Complete and return this form if you would like your Saint Francis University credits reported to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for Act 48 credits. Credits are not automatically reported to PDE. **Please note that 6 credits will meet the Act 48 requirements of PDE. Thank you.** 

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Do you already	y hold a Pennsylvania teaching certif	icate?	
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Return form to	<ul> <li>Graduate Education Department Saint Francis University</li> <li>PO Box 600</li> <li>Loretto, PA 15940</li> <li>(814) 472-3864 fax</li> </ul>	Questions, call Sherri at	(814) 472-3058
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## FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT TEACHER CERTIFICATION

Semester dates:

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In November 1999, the state legislature passed Act 48 which requires all persons holding Pennsylvania professional educator certification to complete continuing education requirements every five years in order to maintain their Level I and Level II certificates as active. The law applies to all public school certificate holders no matter where they are, what they are doing or when their certificates were issued. Inactive certification will prevent an educator from serving in a professional position in the public schools of the Commonwealth.

Educators must maintain their certificates as active by earning 6 collegiate credits or 6 PDE-approved in-service credits or 180 continuing education hours or any combination of the above every five calendar years. The first five-year period began on July 1, 2000 and included the 600,000-plus educators whose records are maintained by the Bureau of Teacher Certification and Preparation at the Dept. of Education.

Educators who are not employed as professional or temporary professional employees by public school entities may elect to request voluntary inactive certification status from the Department in order to suspend the requirements of Act 48.

Information regarding Act 48 requirements and your continuing education status is available through the Department's web pages at <u>www.pde.state.pa.us</u>.