Bill Pfohl (PsyD, School, 1979), is Program Chair for Division 52 (International Psychology) for APA in Toronto in August. He was recently awarded the prestigious Distinguished Services Award in Sao Paulo, Brazil, by the International School Psychology Association (ISPA) in which he has been a great contributor for many years. (Karen Haboush is very active as well). The coming Fall semester will be his last one teaching at Western Kentucky University after 36 years. He looks forward to spending time with his grandchildren who live in Maine and traveling (although it seems that he has done quite a bit of that already!)

International School Psychology Association (ISPA)

Distinguished Services Award 2015 for Dr William Pfohl

The ISPA Distinguished Services Award 2015 was awarded to Dr William (‘Bill’) Pfohl. Bill Pfohl has served the International School Psychology Association for years with his many skills and capacities as a specialist in Crisis Management, as a respected scholar, and above all, as a true Leader of the Association. Bill served as President Elect, President and Past President from 2007 to 2013. Teamwork has always been more important to Bill than individual contributions, and so it was only natural for him to involve all members of the Executive Committee in discussions and decisions that were thoughtful, mindful and well supported by the membership. He supported the organization of ISPA Conferences in the Netherlands, Malta, Ireland, India, Canada and Portugal.

Bill contributed his expertise to the revision of the ISPA Code of Ethics that was finalized under his leadership and adopted by the General Assembly in Vellore, India. He also contributed to the continuing developments in school psychology in India through post-conference seminars in the following year. Bill has been one of the regular contributors to the course of training on Crisis Management in Schools run by the European training centre, and he was also instrumental in supporting the school psychologists in Japan after the tsunami and the nuclear disaster of March 2011 to implement crisis management action. Bill’s greatest legacy to ISPA was his drive for the launching of the new ISPA journal, The International Journal of School & Educational Psychology (IJSEP), which launched successfully in 2013 through his advice and organizational efforts.