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OESCA Reframing Education Network Meeting Notes

April 5, 2024

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Description	Presenter	Notes
OESCA Updates	Craig Burford	The Reframing Education Network - Purpose: “Build Capacity, Sustainability, Coherence to ensure equitable access for all educators”
OESCA Regional Coordinator Updates	Northeast Region: Ken Bernacki - ESC of Western Reserve Southwest Region: Teresa Clevidence, Bill Myles- Hamilton County ESC Southeast Region: Sarah Shreiner - East Central Ohio ESC Northwest Region: Karen Rose - Mercer County ESC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● OESCA Spring Conference: Let’s Connect Information: May 6-8, 2024 - Learn more Let’s Connect and the OESCA Spring Conference are now combined at Nationwide! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Registration - Cost: \$250 per person for 2 days and \$400 per person for all three days. This represents a 30-40% savings over typical OESCA conferences! Breakfast, lunch and snacks are included in the price. ○ Hotel: Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center, 100 Green Meadows Drive South, Lewis Center, OH, 866-233-9393. The room block at the conference site is filled. We now have a group rate at Hyatt Place Columbus/Worthington, 7490 Vantage Drive, Columbus, OH 43235 - rooms are \$124/night. Book online or call 1-800-993-4751 and reference the code OESC.
Guest Presentation	Heather Sass Project Manager	Foundations of Instructional Coaching Project Update Train-the-Trainer Flyer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Focused on building the capacity of instructional coaches in our ESCs. ● Creates coherence across the network with a common understanding of instructional coaching, common terminology, guiding principles around developing coaching programs and running coaching cycles. ● The round of training in April is for ESC staff who have not been involved in the codesign or implementation team and who would become trainers of the modules. ESC staff should have extensive experience in instructional coaching to participate in the training. ● ESC staff who do not have extensive experience in instructional coaching will have an opportunity to take the course in the next round of training. ● This course will be available to all Ohio educators through the Ohio Learning Community.



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<p>Guest Presentation</p>	<p>Jill Grubb- DEW Stephanie Fojas, DEW</p> <p>Kate Heynoski (kateh@exmi.org), Naima Khandaker (naimak@exmi.org), and Kim Ratcliff (kratcliff@exmi.org)- Experience Management Institute</p>	<p>Ohio Human Capital Resource Center Train-the-Trainer Series - Learn about the opportunity to participate in a free professional development offering, sponsored by DEW, for staff from educational service centers who assist educational organizations with improving their human capital management systems. https://ohiohrcr.org/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The department is working with a new vendor to move the work forward - Experience Management Institute. Stephanie Fojas with the Department of Education and Workforce is the contact person for the department. ● The HCRC supports education organizations across Ohio with finding, supporting, and elevating the people working in schools and districts. ● Purpose of the work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ensuring awareness of the importance of having strong people systems in education. ○ Bringing groups and systems together to move beyond isolated policies and actions to create comprehensive human capital systems. ○ Supporting kids. ● No cost to education organizations. ● Program covers the whole array of human capital management, including professional development, resources and information, and coaching and support. ● Sign up for the monthly newsletter - they are always looking to share blog posts and stories about the work going on around the state. ● Train the Trainer is geared toward ESCs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PD opportunity is offered free of charge - equips participants to utilize HCRC resources. ○ Intended audience - both current and prospective individuals from ESCs who work (will work) with educational organizations in Ohio in attracting and building talent. ○ Timeline <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Kickoff - May 8 at the OESCA spring conference ■ Talent Acquisition - tbd, in person ■ Summer - Virtual Community of Practice ■ Talent Retention - OESCA Fall Conference ○ Have spent time gathering feedback from ESCs and developing an understanding of the needs. ● Interest form - https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7786084/2024-HCRC-Train-the-Trainer-Interest-Form
<p>Guest Presentation</p>	<p>Craig Burford, OESCA</p>	<p>Legislative Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● See slides for current size and scope of education in Ohio. With the expansion of school choice, the challenge for ESCs is to extend their focus beyond traditional public school districts to support all teachers and all students. Continued expansion in the charter school/private school use of vouchers. Number increased from 83,000 students to over 120,000 this



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year without a corresponding decline of enrollment in public schools. The funds are being used by students who have been previously enrolled in private schools and are now subsidized for it.

- Political Context
 - General Assembly - both houses have significant Republican majorities and a Republican Governor.
 - Moreno won the U.S. Senate Republican Primary and will face Sherrod Brown.
 - See slides for the views of presidential candidates. Education is primarily governed by the states. Some of the education issues being advanced by presidential candidates don't fall under the purview of the federal government.
- Economic Context
 - Ohio continues to have a slow growth economy. We lag the nation in per capita income and economic growth, which doesn't mean that we aren't making progress. We are seeing great things as a result of the policies the legislature and the governor have tried to put in place.
 - Ohio suffers in the transition to a service sector and knowledge economy.
 - Slow population growth and aging population.
 - Low educational attainment among adults.
- National Policy Context
 - Information provided by the Education Commission of the States.
 - Workforce development and career and technical education, K-12 funding, teacher workforce, early care and education, academic achievement and literacy, and physical and mental health services were common high priority legislative themes in governors' State of the State addresses.
 - Ohio has been focused on the Science of Reading for some time, to the department's credit.
- Legislative Activity
 - 71 education focused bills introduced, 3 have passed.
 - SB 17 - incorporates free market capitalism in high school financial literacy content.
 - HB 68 - SAFE Act - already a court challenge.
 - HB 33 - biennial state operating budget, the single largest education bill in terms of the number of permanent law changes.
 - What's next
 - HB 2, Capital Appropriations - A capital budget has passed the house and is pending in the Senate. The Office of Budget Management will release its guidance to the state agencies over summer.
 - Property Tax Relief - Ohio's property tax rates are becoming some of the highest in the nation. 8 Ohio counties are in the top 25 highest tax rate counties in the nation, in part due to an effort at the state level to reduce business taxes and income taxes and allow



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> communities to increase local taxes. ■ Academic Intervention ■ Education Reform/Deregulation - implies funding cuts in exchange for decreased regulation. ■ Choice Accountability - politicians are typically hesitant to increase accountability for school choice and will instead lower standards of public education to level the playing field, but still criticize public education. ○ New Legislation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ HB 445 - require school boards to adopt a policy to allow students to be excused from school to attend religious instruction. This is currently permissive but not required. ■ HB 468 - allows certain organizations that appear on the US title 36 list to present to students once a year, such as Boy and Girl Scouts of America, 4-H, FFA, Civil Air Patrol, Boys and Girls Clubs of America. ■ HB 447 - modify and expand property tax homestead exemptions. ● Watch Issues - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Governance Transitions with the DEW, the DCY, and the State Board of Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The State Board has not been provided with enough funding to get through both years of the biennium. It has been suggested that we can move away from a State Board of Ed and a centralized bureaucracy and utilize ESCs to assist with some things around teacher licensure, employee discipline, and other issues. ○ Cell Phone Use in Schools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Topic has been talked about the Governor and the Lt. Governor, but they have stated they don't have plans to advance any policies. The General Assembly, however, may choose to take up the issue. ○ “Dog Whistle Issues” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parents Bill of Rights ■ Critical Race Theory ■ Garner a lot of news coverage but don't typically move forward ● Craig is more than willing to meet with ESCs and Superintendents to share the legislative update.
Share Out, Next Steps		<p>**Please share with others in your agency or networks.**</p> <p>Future Reframing Education meetings: first Friday of each month</p> <p>May - Canceled</p> <p>Statewide Networks Meeting Dates 23-24</p> <p>Interest Form:</p> <p>OESCA Reframing Ed. Network Notifications & Info Sign Up **Please complete**</p>