

# Teacher Center Coordinator's Report Board of Directors Meeting

September 1, 2022

## NWAESC Teacher Center Google Site: CLICK HERE

{archived site for various groups/info concerning curriculum/PD/other info}



## 1. Training Opportunities:

- September PD Overview HERE
- Zoom--eSchool SMS Required Fields Training: September 7
- Tier I: September 15 (Bookkeeper's Roundtable following)
- Learning for All (Inclusive Practices) October 4
- Phonics First Foundations October 10-14
- School Family and Community Engagement Facilitator/Coordinator October 17
- New: DESE-Crisis Response Team Basic Level (NOVA) November 2-4

#### 2. Commissioner's Memos of note: Link to all Commissioner's Memos

- LS-23-007 GT Program Approval due October 15
- <u>COM-23-016</u> High-Reliability Schools Survey Window (opens Oct. 4-21); additional webinars included in memo

#### 3. Assessments

- The Final Testing Calendar for 22-23 has been released.
- District Testing Coordinators: <u>Training Calendar for 22-23.</u>

### 4. Literacy

- SoR Proficiency This is the school year to collect data and rate teachers as proficient in Science of Reading. Teachers EMPLOYED in the following areas must show proficiency by October 1, 2022:
  - K-6 core (math, literacy, science, social studies)
  - K-12 Special Education
  - K-6 ELL
  - K-12 Reading Specialists
- SOR Assessor September 12
- Fall Literacy / R.I.S.E. / Standalone trainings HERE

#### 5. Math

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- AR Math QuEST Year 1: Introduction to Ambitious Teaching (Spring TBD)
- Coaching Ambitious Teaching
  - o Day 1: September 6th
  - o Days 2 and 3: January 23rd and 24th
- AR Math QuEST Year 2: Going Deeper with Ambitious Teaching
  - September 12th and 13th

## 6. Science/STEM/Computer Science

Science has resources in the form of equipment, makerspace items, kits, and picture books available for checkout and will deliver and pick up from schools. NWAESC also partners with the Center for Math and Science at the U of A to provide resources. Contact Carly (<u>carly.geanolous@starfishnw.org</u>) or Jenny (<u>jenny.gammill@starfishnw.org</u>)

#### 7. GT/AP

- Three (3) districts utilizing the Pre-AP state-supported contract with the College Board in 2022-23:
  - Bentonville
  - Pea Ridge
  - Rogers

## 8. Early Career Educator Mentoring (Novice Teachers)

- Please make sure all of your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd-year teachers have completed the novice teacher registry. NWAESC will only be able to cover the costs of professional development, including substitute reimbursement, for the novices on the registry. We are currently up to 600 novice teachers on the registry!
- Click here to view our mentoring program outline and see the opportunities that are available for free to all novice teachers. The cost of substitutes will be reimbursed at the end of each semester.

# 9. Behavior Support / Counselors / Special Education

- The DESE Fall Counselor meeting will be held onsite at NWAES on October 20 and repeated on October 21
- SPECIAL ED: DESE Inclusive Practices website (NEW!)
  - Inclusive Practices: The proposed timeline included below details the implementation of inclusive education for the state of Arkansas. This implementation plan is based on two federal laws: The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).
    - Draft Timeline for Inclusive Practices
    - FAQ on Inclusive Practices

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- Decision Flowchart
- Arkansas Direction with Inclusive Practices (from DESE)

## 10. Research and Technology

Ambassador Academy September 15-16, 2022, Hot Springs Convention Center: A
hands-on learning experience for teachers, curriculum coordinators, PLC leaders, and
administrators to develop a broader understanding of the tools and services (Triand, LEA
Insights, SmartData Dashboards, My School Info, ADE Data Center, Arkansas Digital
Sandbox, Data Privacy & Security) provided through the Office of Research &
Technology. Registration is FREE. There are a limited number of spots available.
Preference will be given on a first-come basis. Attendees will receive 10 hours of
professional development credit.

#### **Announcements:**

- Summer Overview 2022 HERE
- NWAESC State Evaluation
  - September 28 at NWAESC
  - o Interviews on site and by Zoom from various school groups
- ESSA & ACCOUNTABILITY
  - Public School Accountability Reports are due for 22-23.
  - o Required Annual Report Timeline for 22-23.
- TESS & LEADS
  - The <u>Educator Effectiveness Platform</u> (replacing EdReflect) is now active and available
    - **Get Trained:** Videos and presentations by role (Organizational Administrator, Observer, Learner) are available **HERE**. Each linked presentation contains username and password information to access the applicable demonstration account.
    - Gain Access: The new platform is active and can be accessed HERE. Educators may consider bookmarking or adding the page to their desktops for quick access. Access requires an individual's APSCN username and password. Contact your district APSCN manager for assistance.
    - New: Troubleshooting Document: HERE