



Director's Report - Curriculum and Instruction

August 2023

UAMS Pathways STEM Academy was held at Perritt Primary School June 12th - 23rd. The program served approximately 50 students in grades K-5. Also, each campus hosted a summer school program for identified students. Meals and transportation were provided for all summer programs.

June and July were busy months for teachers and administrators as they prepared for the upcoming school year. APSD administrators held a retreat June 15th and 16th for professional development and planning.

A team of APSD administrators and a board member attended Leading PLCs Districtwide training in Little Rock on June 19th. Each district in attendance presented the implementation progress they made during the 2022-23 school year and next steps.

As part of our districtwide PLC implementation plan, over 20 teacher leaders and administrators attended the PLC at Work Institute in Little Rock June 21st - 23rd. A team of administrators and instructional facilitators attended Culture Keepers: Leading a PLC at Work Institute in Bryant July 18th - 20th.

Arkadelphia High School held a Capturing Kids' Hearts (CKH) Recharged training on July 13th.

APSD administrators attended the Arkansas Association of Education Administrators (AAEA) conference in Little Rock. Participants were able to choose from sessions covering a wide variety of topics.

New Teacher Orientation was held July 31st at Goza Middle School. Twenty-two new teachers were in attendance. Of those 22, thirteen are in their first year of teaching. We are very excited to welcome them to our district and to the profession!

In June and July, several meetings and virtual meetings were attended or held in planning and preparation for the 2023-24 school year including: ATLAS (new state assessment) training, data corrections, Ouachita Behavioral Health and Wellness, AAEA Law Conference, interviewing potential new employees, Dawson SEL support planning, and meetings with district personnel.