



1. Our ESOL personnel will participate in E. L. Achieve's Symposium 2024 in Little Rock in February. This sponsor (E. L. Achieve) is the publisher of the English acquisition curriculum that we use for our **English language learners (ELLs)**. We are fortunate because Little Rock is one of only five locations scheduled around the United States to host these Symposia next month. We are also fortunate because the Arkansas Department of Education plans to cover the registration and essential expenses for up to 10 trained professionals from each participating district. Mrs. Crow and Mr. Bell will represent our district. Attendees will recalibrate their understanding of the curriculum for greater impact with learners. This should benefit our ELLs throughout the district. ***We are fortunate to have state personnel and a district team supportive of the on-going improvement of services for our ELLs!***
2. Our **Career and Technical Education (CTE)** programs continue to challenge and to equip our students while striving to meet the needs of our community. We are working with some local partners to upgrade the resources and the experiences of our students. We look forward to sharing more details in the coming weeks as these plans produce tangible results. ***Thanks to all who are working behind the scenes on behalf of our CTE students!***
3. The **Parent, Family, and Community Engagement (PFaCE)** facilitators are working on campus-level Title I meetings (informational meetings for interested stakeholders) and their required monitoring of the year's plan for the campus. ***Thanks to these campus facilitators for their efforts to keep families informed and engaged!***
4. The **District McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaisons** will attend a mid-year update via Zoom on January 24. Pertinent information will be disseminated to principals and to campus facilitators. We want to be sure that we are eliminating barriers for these students while also connecting them and their families with community resources. ***Thanks to these campus personnel for their tireless efforts on behalf of these young people!***
5. As the **District Military Education Coordinator (DMEC)**, I am working with ADE personnel and with local stakeholders to pursue the Purple Star School status. We hope to share more details later this spring semester. ***We appreciate our stakeholders and community members who encourage our military families!***
6. Although the **District's Wellness Committee** will not meet for its next quarterly meeting until March, district and campus personnel are working on some important opportunities and initiatives. District and campus personnel are reviewing some possible grants and curricular resources. Community partners are assisting with age-appropriate presentations at the campuses on wellness topics. Goza and AHS students completed the annual Arkansas Prevention Needs Assessment (APNA) Survey. ***Thanks to our community partners and to our campus personnel for their efforts in meeting the health and wellness needs of our students!***
7. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about any of our federal funds, programs, and related services. I invite you to visit our [APSD Federal Programs and Related Services Webpage](#) and the subsequent linked pages. Although works in progress, these should give you a better understanding of my areas of responsibility and a better understanding of our services available across the district.