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NWRESA PD Opportunities 2023-2024

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NWRESA Coaching Academy- (4 days)

Partnering with ED Direction (Mia Pumo and Katie Bolick), we will be offering a 4 Day Coaching Academy this year. The sessions will focus on instructional coach development:

- i. Characteristics of an Instructional Coach
- ii. Effective Communication
- iii. Meaningful Feedback Conversations
- iv. Coaching through Cycles

Each participant will receive a copy of Diane Sweeney's book "Student Centered Coaching: The Moves".

DATES: October 3, November 7, February 6, and March 7

Location: Alexander County Schools Boardroom

Times: 9:00-3:00

2.0 General CEU Credits

Limit 35

[Best Practices for Teaching HS Biology](#)

Join us to analyze various methods of teaching biology and gather some quick and easy activities for your classroom. What works and what doesn't? What are the limitations and the benefits of various models? High tech and low tech options will be utilized. A wide variety of resources will be provided as well.

October 10 9:00-3:00

Gina Barrier, NC School for Math and Science

Caldwell County Schools Boardroom

.5 Content CEU

Math Dyscalculia-Understanding Specific Learning Disabilities in Math

Dyscalculia is the term for children whose math difficulties persist even when they receive excellent instruction. This workshop includes:

- Learning about indicators of students at risk
- How to individualize instruction for students in math in small group and in core instruction
- Principles for designing interventions in math
- Explicit instruction design
- Visual representations in math
- Ideas to promote procedural fluency

October 26

9:00-3:00

Hickory Public Schools PD Lab

.5 Content CEU

Limit 40

Crucial Conversations (2 days)

\$100 book charge (book cost \$275, NWRESA will pay balance)

Times: 9:00-3:00

Dates: November 1 and November 8

Catawba County Schools BT Room (2285 N Anderson Ave.

Newton, NC 28658)

1.0 General or Admin CEU

Do you like having hard conversations? Almost no one responds, "Yes!", however, we all find ourselves faced with them every day. What if there was a way to have respectful and honest conversations that lead to greater understanding and allowed you to work toward more positive solutions? *Crucial Conversations for Mastering Dialogue* teaches nine powerful skills to help you navigate difficult conversations both at work and at home. You will learn and practice the skills across the two-day session. All materials are included.

Limit 30

Literacy in the AI Age: Workshop Edition (1-day face to face, 2 hours virtual)

Stacy Lovdahl, NCDPI Innovative Learning Catalyst

Dates- November 2 Face to Face

Virtual 2 hour (Date TBD)

**Location: Wilkes County Schools Administrative Offices
Boardroom**

.5 Digital Teaching CEU

Audience:

K-12 Classroom Teachers, Digital leaders, ITFs, Media coordinators, Curriculum Specialists

Description:

ChatGPT created a buzz about essay writing, but AI has a much deeper influence on the way we inform, communicate, and learn in today's world. Together, let's examine how AI is already infused in our daily lives and how we can reframe literacy to meet this moment. In this active-learning session, expect to employ your information literacy skills, engage in conversation & reflection, and share tools and ideas that adapt the activities and lessons you already use to strengthen essential literacy skills for our learners and colleagues!

Following the face-2-face workshop, reconnect with your colleagues in a virtual classroom session to learn about new developments in AI tools and to share how implementation of your AI inspired lessons has been progressing.

In this multi-session, multi-format workshop you will grow in your understanding of AI tools for both teacher workflow and student learning and use a framework for creating AI-resistant lessons to carry you forward into the AI-rich era.

School Law Basics for Busy Admins Part 1

Chris Campbell, Attorney from Campbell Shatley Attorneys at Law, will provide a **VIRTUAL** school law sessions covering:

The Law of Search & Seizure; Student Free Speech in the Technology Age; and Bullying, Harassment and Discrimination

9:00am-11:30am

November 9

.25 Admin CEU

Best Practices for Teaching HS Chemistry

Join us to analyze various methods of teaching chemistry and gather some quick and easy activities for your classroom. What works and what doesn't? What are the limitations and the benefits of various models? High tech and low tech options will be utilized. A wide variety of resources will be provided as well.

November 9 9:00-3:00

Gina Barrier, NC School of Math and Science

Friedman Center Staff Development Room

Lenoir, NC

.5 Content CEU

Central Office Leadership Academy (2 day training)-Cancelled

The Central Office Leadership Academy is designed for central office personnel new or fairly new to their role.

Day 1 topics include key to communication, building a team, building trust, systems thinking, district budgeting and learning about your leadership style.

Day 2 will include NC PEAK Education presenting on giving and receiving feedback, Portrait of a Graduate: A District Leaders Role, Superintendent Mark Byrd will share lessons learned from district leadership, and we will have a panel of district leaders to discuss the challenges of district leaderships and ways they have found to overcome.

Each participant will also select an education leadership book and participate in a book study.

November 15

Wilkes County School Administrative Offices- Stone Center

9:00-3:30

March 19, 2023 (TBD NC PEAK Education)

9:00-3:30

Location: TBD

1.0 Admin CEU

Making It Real Through PBL (2 day training)- Canceled

Participants (K-12) will attend 2 days of training to learn about the elements of PBL and how to integrate this engaging strategy into their classrooms. They will need to bring a device to access their standards to be able to start drafting their own units on day 2. Creating this experience for the classroom is best achieved when working with a grade, subject, or team partner(s)--collaboration is key for unit development and implementation.

Carol Moore, CEO and President STEM West

November 30 and December 12

9:00-4:00pm

Catawba Valley Furniture Academy (room is titled the Bassett Learning Center)

973 Locust St

Newton, NC 28658

Literacy for Leaders

This 2 day session is designed to take the place of the cohort of Lexia LETRS for Admins.

Dates: December 5 and February 7

Location: December 5- Wilkes County Schools Stone Center

February 7- Hickory PD Lab

Times: 8:30-3:30

Facilitator: Cynthia Barber, Northwest Early Education Consultant

1.2 Admin CEU

This foundational series is recommended as a first step for school and district leaders to deepen understanding of the five components of reading; build an understanding of what evidence-based literacy practice should "look like" in the classroom; practice utilizing self-reflection tools connected to each of the five components in order to build the collective capacity of staff.

Registration Link

Co-Teaching for Administrators

This training will set the administrator that is considering co-teaching in their school for the 24-25 school year up for success. Follow-up for co-teaching teams in June, 2024

January 18, 2024

9:00-3:00

Catawba County Schools Boardroom

.5 Admin CEU

Science Content Training for 3-5 Teachers

Participants will engage in deconstruction of the new standards with a focus on vertical alignment, content, and applicable classroom activities/resources. This training will assist in building self-efficacy about the science standards they are to teach in grades 3-5.

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January 30, 2024

9:00-4:00pm

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Science Content Training for K-2 Teachers

Participants will engage in deconstruction of the new standards with a focus on vertical alignment, content, and applicable classroom activities/resources. This training will assist in building self-efficacy about the science standards they are to teach in grades K-2

Carol Moore, CEO and President STEM West

February 21, 2024

9:00-4:00

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The Parents' Bill of Rights and School Counseling and Student Services

February 28, 2024 9:00-11:30 (Virtual) Zoom Link will be sent the week before the session.

Presented by Dean Shatley and Anna Gillespie, Attorneys from Campbell Shatley Attorneys at Law

This presentation will provide an overview of the new Parent's Bill of Rights and its implications on how School Counselors and Social Workers interact with students.

.25 General CEU

School Law Basics for Busy Admins Part 2

Chris Campbell, Attorney from Campbell Shatley Attorneys at Law, will provide a VIRTUAL school law sessions covering:

The Law of Custody Disputes, Subpoenas, Testifying in Court, FERPA rights, Administrator Ethics Laws and Leadership Nuggets

March 6, 2024

9:00am 11:30am

.25 Admin CEU

Writing in K-5

Burke County Schools Boardroom

March 14, 2024

9:00-3:00

What is needed to learn to write? Our students must receive adequate practice and instruction in writing because writing does not develop naturally. A basic goal for North Carolina elementary teachers is to teach our pupils to write effectively and flexibly. This session will include evidence-based best practices for teaching writing to our kindergarten through fifth graders.

Gin Hodge, NCCAT Senior Early Grades Literacy Specialist

AI for Instructional Leaders and Coaches (1-day face to face, 2 hours virtual followup)

Target Audience: Principals, AP's, Instructional Coaches, District Level Instructional Leaders

**March 19, 2024
9:00-3:00**

Location: Catawba County Schools Boardroom

Stacy Lovdahl, NCDPI Innovative Learning Catalyst

Description:

What is needed to navigate the rapidly evolving world of AI? It is already woven into our daily lives and transforming the educational landscape. This interactive session will equip instructional leaders and coaches with essential AI literacy. Participants will engage in reflective conversations, learn to craft powerful prompts, and tailor them for instructional coaching. You'll also gain hands-on experience with AI tools that enhance both teacher workflow and student learning. Discover how to adapt activities and lessons and share your insights with peers. Prepare to be an AI-savvy educator and empower your students for the future!

.5 DLC Credit/General

Literacy in the AI Age: Workshop Edition (1-day face to face, 2 hours virtual)

Stacy Lovdahl, NCDPI Innovative Learning Catalyst

Dates- April 23 Face to Face 9:00-3:00pm

Virtual 2 hour (Date TBD)

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[“The Interplay between EC Discipline, Emergency Removals under Title IX, MDR Decisions under IDEA, Threat Assessment Team Decisions, and Alternative School and Program Placements.”](#)

Law Updates from Attorney Chris Campbell (Virtual)

April 24 9:00-11:30

.25 CEU

Chris Campbell with Campbell Shatley will present on the law and practical implementation issues regarding federal and state discipline laws for exceptional children. The session will focus on the legal requirements and mechanics of manifestation determination reviews (“MDRs”) and the interplay of Emergency Removals MDRs with student threat assessments and placements in alternative schools and programs. This session is a must for senior EC and 504 staff, alternative program/school directors, and building level administrators involved in discipline, threat assessments, and alternative school/program placements. Child

advocates and parents' attorneys have become very active in this area of the law so administrators need to be ready."

AIG Certification Training- see links for each session below

Both opportunities also require an additional Canvas Course (30 hours) to complete the entire AIG Certification. The NWRESA AIG Certification is valid to all NWRESA members. If you move districts within our RESA, districts have agreed to honor the training so you can serve AIG students. To have AIG added to your license, you must take the Praxis and apply to the licensure department at NCDPI.

Online AIG Training- June 10-14 with completion date of August 1

This course does require participants to attend one Zoom meeting in the beginning of the course to set expectations. There will be 2 other optional Zoom meetings during the course for support.

6.0 CEU

In Person AIG Training- June 17-21-Wilkes County Schools- Stone Center 9:00-4:00

In person 30 hours online course 30 hours= Total 60 hours 6.0 CEU credits.

Facilitators: Angie Lamb and Cheryl Rhea-District AIG Coordinators

6.0 CEU

