



Teacher Center Coordinator's Report Board of Directors' Meeting April 7, 2022

NWAESC Teacher Center Google Site: [CLICK HERE](#)

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



2022 Summer PD Google Site [HERE](#)
2022 Summer PD Spreadsheet [HERE](#)

- 2022 NWAESC PD Needs Survey Results (Teachers) [HERE](#)
- 2022 PD Needs Survey Results (Administrators) [HERE](#)
- User Satisfaction Survey [HERE](#) (March 1-May 1)

1. **Monthly Board Meeting Guests:**

- April 7: DESE STEM Specialist-Mary Beth Hatch [Links](#) & [AR Model STEM Overview](#)
- April 7: DCTE Director-Ross White [SlideDeck](#)

2. **Training Opportunities:**

- DESE Summit July 11-13 Hot Springs -[Registration April](#)
- April PD overview [HERE](#)
- May PD overview [HERE](#)
- **FREE** Restorative Practices Playbook
 - Zoom April 20 from 9:00-10:30 Register [HERE](#)

3. **Commissioner's Memos of note:** [Link to all Commissioner's Memos](#)

- Preliminary testing dates for 2022-2023 [LS-22-050](#)
- Survey for Annual Report of ESSER/ARP Funding [FIN-22-030](#)
- SpEd Resource Teacher Academies & Registration Info [LS-22-063](#)
- State Personnel Development Grant (SPDG) Grant (**April 29**) [LS-22-062](#)
- ESOL Institute Academies [LS-22-066](#)

4. **Assessments**

- Aspire window: April 18-May 20, 2022
- **3-8 Assessment vendors** on the state-approved list are the following:

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- Curriculum Associates: i-Ready
- Istation: ISIP
- NWEA: MAP Growth
- Renaissance: Star

5. Literacy

- See The Sound/Visual Phonics (for hearing impaired/others) August 3-4 [470094](#)
- R.I.S.E. Newsletter - [HERE](#)
- NWAESC Spring Newsletter-[HERE](#)

6. Math

- Coaching Ambitious Teaching
 - [Days 2 and 3: April 20 and 21, 2022](#)
- **Zoom The Northwest Arkansas Math Forum** - A process of collective inquiry - is an open invitation to join a collaborative group of passionate mathematics educators dedicated to finding answers - to the most difficult questions - in mathematics education today.
 - [May 13](#)

7. Science/STEM/Computer Science

- [AR STEM Model Program](#), currently in the pilot phase, is launching summer 2022. [Mary Beth Hatch](#), DESE STEM Integration Specialist, will be here on April 7 and would like to visit with some schools who are thinking about applying. Contact Mary Beth or [Jenny Gammill](#) for more information.

8. GT/AP

- Pre-AP Toolkit FAQ [HERE](#)

9. Early Career Educator Mentoring (Novice Teachers)

- **Pre-Service Teacher Reception** - on April 1 had more than 100 registered including Ed Prep programs from Harding NW, JBE and UA. Districts were given the opportunity to interview/hire teacher ed graduates on the spot.
- NWAESC was awarded an [Arkansas Professional Educator Pathway](#) (ArPEP, formerly known as APPEL) grant and will now run the non-traditional licensure program for Northwest Arkansas! July 5 starting date

10. Behavior Support / Counselors / Special Education

- [Behavior Break Videos](#):
- [Arbss.org](#): Website for behavior related resources

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13. Research and Technology

- Cognos for Technology-Additional Report Writing Features [April 13](#)
- Aruba Network training [April 14](#)
- HSTI Technology Conference - June 13th - 16th Register [HERE](#)

12. General Curriculum and Instruction

- Arkansas Ed Report website is live: [HERE](#)
- Reminder SOR awareness (SR01) and proficiency (SR03) coding needs to be completed in eSchool. Law: By 2023-2024 to be considered for hire.... [HERE](#) (*check PK-awareness)

Announcements:

- **2020-2021 Cost Analysis:** *(please stay after meeting)*
 - Gentry
 - Siloam Springs
- **Free Background Checks for Substitute Teachers:** DESE in collaboration with state education partners is providing no cost background checks for individuals interested in supporting their local schools by becoming a substitute teacher. In order to complete the expedited, free process, background checks must be completed at either DESE or one of the local education service cooperatives. Districts may contact clara.toney@ade.arkansas.gov for additional details. Shareable information is available [here](#). These services will end around June 30. By appointment only: [HERE](#)
- **K-6 Virtual School Update**
 - Students will return to the host district for all state assessments and annual review conferences.
- **Forward Arkansas-Teach Arkansas** teacharkansas.org
- **Guidebook** (Interactive): [Booklet](#)
- **Teacher Academies:** [SlideDeck](#)

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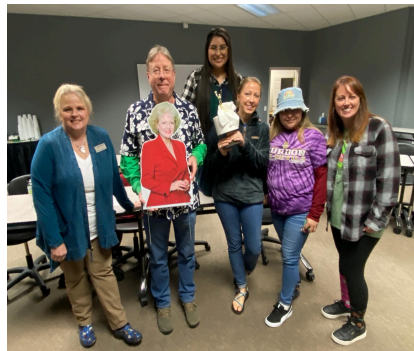
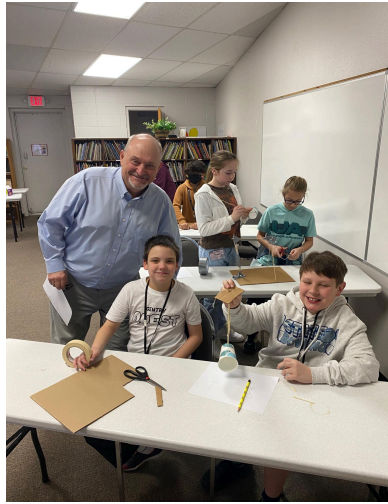
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Co-op Fun Week (March 14-18th) Pictures



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Note: This report will be emailed to curriculum contacts in each district for instructional planning/PD.