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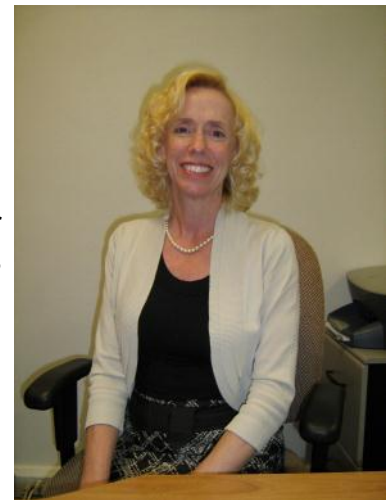
Spring-Summer 2013

Best Schools, Best Service

Message from the Regional Superintendent

Best Schools, Best Service is the motto that the Christian-Montgomery Regional Office of Education has adopted and promoted in the first edition of our *Regional Resource* and our newly designed webpage. **Best Schools, Best Service** focuses our mission on service in support of educational excellence.

We all strive to have the **Best Schools**. While traveling around the region visiting schools, I have become more familiar with the vast array of high quality programs and staff expertise available to help students succeed. Although we are often discouraged because of financial struggles, we need to keep our focus on student achievement. To this end, the *Regional Resource* will shine a spotlight on exceptional programs and on educators working daily to provide the best educational experience possible.



Marchelle Kassebaum, Regional Superintendent of Schools

Our ROE seeks to provide the **Best Service**. Learning Express, C.A.R.E., Substance Abuse Prevention, System of Support, truancy, certification, professional development and other services are in place to provide guidance and support for local schools. Our staff would like for you to get to know them as well as the programs they serve. Please visit our website for service overviews as well as contact information for our staff.

Our website continues to evolve as we attempt to identify the types of information that would be most useful to the constituencies that we serve. We have recently added a new online registration feature for ROE #10 professional development offerings to assist in ease of registration. Please review our website at www.roe10.org and let us know of additions that would help us focus on service.

As I approach my first full year as your Regional Superintendent, I feel blessed to work in a region where we can all work together for the educational success of the students we serve.

Congratulations to Christian County School Districts (Taylorville, Pana, South Fork, Morrisonville, Edinburg, and Central A & M) for the successful passage of a countywide sales tax. This tax will provide much needed revenue to assist in paying for facility improvements. We know how hard you worked, and we are happy for your success.

Assistant Regional Superintendent, Greg Patrick



Greg Patrick's office is located at the Christian County Courthouse in Taylorville.

DANIELSON POINTS TO REMEMBER

Danielson's Framework for Teaching IS NOT one more thing to do; it IS what we do.

The Framework for Teaching is not about the teacher; it is about the teaching.

The Learner is responsible for the Learning.

What we see and what we look at are not the same.

Excellent does not mean perfect.

Excellent teachers value their work and the work of the student.

Our most permanent memories of school are usually found in Domain 2 (Classroom Environment). These can be positive or negative memories.

In Domain 1 we arrange for learning.

Domains 2 and 3 are onstage and Domains 1 and 4 are offstage.

In Domain 1 we plan, in Domains 2 & 3 we do, and in Domain 4 we reflect. Then it all starts over.

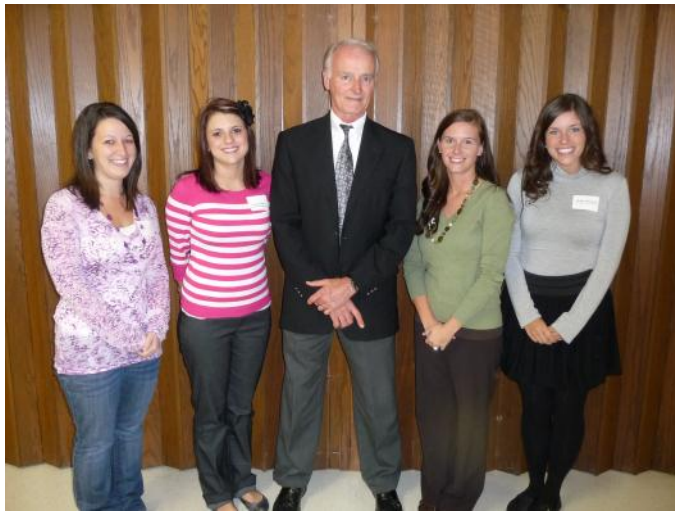
I have been on the job for a little over nine months as the Assistant Superintendent for the Christian-Montgomery Regional Office. My experiences have been rewarding and challenging. The opportunity to travel and meet new people has been exciting. I have made some new friends and formed alliances with many colleagues statewide. I know from my travels that everyone throughout the state is facing the same funding issues we are in this part of the state.

My duties so far at ROE #10 have been Health Life Safety, Compliance, and Teacher Licensure. I have also presented on the Danielson Teacher Evaluation Model at many of the districts in Christian and Montgomery counties. Many days I spend time talking to educators, parents, and other stakeholders about truancy, homeschooling, and other issues affecting education. I enjoy the chance to interact with a variety of people about the issues that are important to them. The opportunity to help and share my experiences has been the most satisfying part of this position. I hope to continue to gain experiences and knowledge as we finish up another school year and move into the next one.

Visit our revised website at www.roe10.org and send us your thoughts. We want our website to be user friendly and helpful to educators in the region.

Miss Collegiate Illinois 2013, Summer Robbins, Joins Principals in “Standing Up” Against Bullying

Hillsboro Senior, Summer Robbins, poses with South Fork Principal Chris Clark, Litchfield Russell School Principal Andrea Lee, Litchfield Zion Lutheran Principal Sharon Cordani and Taylorville High School Assistant Principal Matt Hutchison. Summer is presently visiting elementary classrooms raising awareness on bullying through a story titled Stones and Stumped. Summer is also offering cyber-bullying awareness to middle and high school students throughout Christian-Montgomery Counties.



“Investing in the Future” A Regional Support/Networking Event For 1st & 2nd Year Teachers

left to right: Jennifer Nicol, Joslyn Fuller, Len Hempen (Peoples Bank & Trust in Taylorville), Katelyn Bandy, and Molly Morrison

The Christian-Montgomery Counties ROE has ***invested in the future*** by providing training and support for first and second year teachers as well as veteran teachers new to the region. Topics presented have included common core transition, teachers’ roles when working with Special Education students, behavior in the classroom (effective strategies and positive expectations), Gifted students in mixed-ability classrooms, motivating students, and resources for effective teaching.

Presenters were varied for each session. Local presenters included Director of Mid-State Special Education Brenda Patrick, Cornerstone Academy/ChrisMont RSSP Teacher Morgan Meade, ROE Professional Development Coordinator Meg Dees, Regional Superintendent Marchelle Kassebaum, and Assistant Regional Superintendent Greg Patrick.

Joe Fatheree, *former Illinois State and National NEA Teacher of the Year*, spoke on October 18th about challenges/opportunities of the profession and ways for teacher improvement.

In addition to the October 18th session, two other sessions on January 29th and April 23rd were offered. Assisting with the cost of the program were local financial institutions including National Bank - Hillsboro, Taylorville Community Credit Union - Hillsboro, Peoples Bank and Trust - Taylorville, First National Bank of Pana -Taylorville, Litchfield Bank and Trust, First National Bank of Litchfield, First National Bank of Raymond, and First Community Bank of Hillsboro.

Illinois Honor Roll Recognition

Panhandle Superintendent/Principal Aaron Hopper proudly accepts the Spotlight Award with Farmersville Teachers Darci Terneus (Third Grade), Julie Graham (Fifth Grade), Susan Koller (Fourth Grade).



Representative Wayne Rosenthal and State Superintendent Chris Koch pose with Principal Brandi Bruley as she accepts the Spotlight Award for the Taylorville School District.

Spotlight School Awards

Farmersville Grade School and North Elementary School received a Spotlight School Award at a special ceremony held on April 3 at Carlinville Primary School. Spotlight School Awards are given to schools that are recognized as high poverty, high-performing schools that are beating the odds by overcoming the achievement gap. Congratulations to Superintendent/Principal Aaron Hopper (Panhandle District), Brandi Bruley (Taylorville District) and staff.

Cornerstone/ChrisMont Staff Honored for Excellence

Congratulations to Morgan Meade (Special Education Teacher) and Misty Pfeiffer (Paraprofessional) on receiving recognition for their "Excellence in Education" at the Cornerstone Academy/ChrisMont Regional Safe School Program.



**Spotlight on Litchfield High School's
Students Against Destructive Decisions Program
Submitted by Senior Meagan Williams**

Every Wednesday, students involved in the Litchfield High School's SADD program take time to meet to discuss ways of promoting safe choices and to be available to comfort any struggling student. Led by Mr. Jason Cooper, the students work together to caution students against texting and driving, drug use, drinking while driving, and various other topics.

During the FY13 school year, the students participated in various activities to promote their message. During the homecoming street fair, the group handed out fliers and gave away free baked goods to get the word out against drinking and driving. Before the holidays, the group asked Police Chief BJ Wilkinson to stage a drug related mock arrest. This stirred up some excitement for a short time until students were sure the arrest was staged! Chief Wilkinson asked the students to put themselves or a friend in the circumstance of an actual arrest.

In January, SADD promoted Operation Teen Safe Driving by handing out fliers, suckers, wrist bands, and rally towels at a boys' basketball game. SADD also conducted a seatbelt survey in which the number of students wearing a seatbelt to school was counted. In March, a mock crash and mock trial were staged. Although the entire event was false, much time and effort was put in event planning to insure as much realism as possible. SADD is thankful for the \$2,000 grant they received to promote safe driving.

SADD promotes a different theme each month through the local newspapers and designates a specific theme color for the event. Over one hundred students participated in suicide prevention day by wearing yellow.

SADD students are actively involved in trying to make their school and local community a better place.



Christian County Teen Prevention Summit

The second Christian County Teen Prevention Summit was held on Friday, April 19th, at Lincoln Land Community College and Memorial Hospital in Taylorville. Lunch was provided by Memorial Hospital. Guest speaker Andy Duran, Executive Director of the LEAD/SpeakUp! Coalition, presented "How Technology and Social Media Influence Reducing Underage Drinking: Getting the Message Out." Other topics covered during the summit included underage drinking, distracted driving prevention, peer juries, student leadership in Christian County schools, and how choices affect your future. The Teen Summit was organized by Chris Boston, ROE #10 Christian County Substance Abuse Prevention Program Coordinator.

Professional Development Opportunities

Math workshops sponsored by ROE #10:

Math Nuts and Bolts-Summer Session (Mathematics Essentials to Support the CCSS for Mathematics), *Dr. Joyce Bishop, Dr. Marshall Lassak (June 7 only)*. **FREE** to ROE #10 educators. Mid-State Special Education Conference Room, Morrisonville on June 3, 4, 5, or 6 and Nokomis Jr. High School Computer Lab on June 7. Educators may register for more than one session. Workshops limited to 25 participants per session. Registration and additional information at www.roe10.org under workshops.

SSoS workshops sponsored by Area V Regional Superintendents/Statewide System of Support:

Over 35 workshops **FREE** to Area V ROE educators. Registration is available at www.stclair.k12.il.us.

SSoS workshops co-hosted with ROE #10:

Phonemic Awareness and the Common Core (Heggerty model and materials)-June 4 (LLCC/Litchfield). **FREE** to Area V ROE educators. Educators receive a book, either purple for PreK, blue for K or yellow for Grades 1,2,3. Registration is available at www.stclair.k12.il.us. (See flier posted on www.roe10.org).

Phonics and the Common Core (Heggerty model and materials)-June 5 (LLCC/Litchfield). **FREE** for Area V educators. (See flier posted on www.roe10.org).

Area V PD Trail sponsored by the ROEs included in Area V (ROE #10 included in Area V):

PERA Teacher Performance Evaluation (repeat of Part I from August). Kaskaskia College, Centralia on June 3. Register at www.roe45.org/registration/teacheval. \$120 per person registration (includes lunch).

PERA Student Growth. Kaskaskia College, Centralia. Choose one date to attend: June 11, 13 or 27. Register at www.roe45.org/registration/teacheval. \$120 per person registration (includes lunch).

The Trail workshops sponsored by the IARSS (Illinois Association of Regional Superintendents):

Instructional Coaching: Unmistakable Impact, *Jim Knight*. Bloomington on May 16. Register at www.thetrailedu.org. \$159 per person registration.

Building Deeper Readers and Writers in the Age of the CCSS. *Kelly Gallagher*. Rockford on June 17, Maroa on June 18, or Lewis and Clark Community College, the Commons building, Godfrey on June 19. Register at www.thetrailedu.org. \$159 per person registration. (See flier at www.roe10.org)

ISBE Professional Development:

Institute for Mathematics Leaders (hosted by ISBE). Kaskaskia College, Centralia, on June 4, 5, 6. Register at www.isbe.net/common_core/pdf/iml-june13.pdf. (This registration link contains an underscore between *common_ core*.) \$100 per person registration fee.

Other:

School Threat Evaluation Program. UIS, Springfield on May 23-24. Register at www.iema.illinois.gov/iema/training/SchoolSafetyConf/default.asp.

Innovative Agriculture: Special Topic Summer Agricultural Institute. Macoupin County Farm Bureau, Carlinville on June 3, 4, 5 and 6. 25 CPDUs or 2 graduate credit hours. Cost: Institute fee \$90. 2 graduate credits from Aurora University an additional \$200. Space is limited. Registration is available at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/cjmm/macoupinaglit> under downloads.

Common Core –*Making the Shift*

In FY14, the Area V Professional Development Committee will provide training to support Common Core Implementation. Utilizing Common Core Shift Kits, Meg Dees and Dr. Joyce Bishop will provide local districts on-site training based on the level of district implementation of the Core. ELA Common Core Shift Kits have been completed, and Math Common Core Shift Kits are to be developed over the summer.

The ELA Common Core Shift Kits contain professional development items reflecting instructional shifts necessary for effective implementation of the Common Core State Standards (CCSS). The kits are based on the shifts described by the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC). The ELA kits have been designed around identified focus areas within the PARCC shifts as well as the domains of Charlotte Danielson's Framework for Teaching.

The ELA Common Core Shift Kits include information from many websites that reference additional materials, including some from other states, since sharing resources across state lines exemplifies the spirit of the CCSS. The intended use of the kits is to provide a compilation of materials and resources designed to increase the knowledge and understanding of the shifts in English Language Arts instruction across the content areas. Some suggested uses are sharing within professional learning communities, staff meetings, grade level meetings, and informational parent sessions.

Read All About It!

Capture The Core Learning Standards Newsletter K-12

[http://www.isbe.net/
common_core/htmls/news.htm](http://www.isbe.net/common_core/htmls/news.htm)

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of Education Statewide System of
Support Content Specialists



Pictured left to right: Joslyn Fuller (Taylorville) and Shelly Crawford (Panhandle) review ELA Shift Kits.

Resource Links

ISBE Common Core : www.isbe.net/common_core/ (underscore between common _core)

Achieving the Core: www.achievethecore.org

Eye on Education (books, other resources for CC): www.eyoneducation.com

Common Core State Standards Initiative (CC development/implementation): www.corestandards.org

Mastery Connect (find common formative assessments and CC grading tools): www.masteryconnect.com

The Teaching Channel (videos to see standards/strategies in action): www.teachingchannel.org

Illustrative Mathematics: www.illustrativemathematics.org

Inside Mathematics (math tasks and assessments aligned with CC standards): www.insidemathematics.org

Math Common Core –Year-at-a Glance and Sequence Units: <http://ccsstoolbox.com>

Next Generation Science Standards: www.ngss/default.htm

Response to Intervention (RtI) - New, replaced Illinois ASPIRE website: www.illinoisrti.org

Professional Educator Licensing Changes

Effective July 1, 2013

All Educators

What is happening? July 1, 2013 is the target date for implementation of the new Illinois licensure system. Educator Certification System (ECS) is scheduled to be replaced by Educator License Information System (ELIS) on or before July 1, 2013. ELIS is currently not programmed to collect or display certificate renewal activities. Access to ECS is scheduled to cease when ELIS begins.

What does that mean to me? We have been told that professional development activities you have recorded in ECS will not transfer to ELIS. You will not have access to ECS to retrieve or print out those activities.

What should I do now?

Before June 30, 2013:

Log on to ECS at www.isbe.net/ECS.

Update address and phone in My Profile, Personal Settings.

Update email address in My Profile, Account Settings.

Click on Professional Development and Activities, and print your list of activities. Click on My Credentials, Current Credentials and print your credentials page.

If you are actively employed in an Illinois public school and you have a **2013** renewal date, complete your renewal steps, including payment of registration fees on ECS by June 15, 2013, to ensure completion by June 30, 2013.

If you are a **2013** renewal, print your statement of assurance after it is approved and keep a copy in your file.

What about renewal requirements for license renewal in 2014 and beyond? The State Board is rewriting renewal requirements for all educators to be implemented for the 2013-2014 school year. There are no details available at this time.



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