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Regional Office of Education #21

Franklin, Johnson, Massac, Williamson Counties

Safety Support Success

Lorie LeQuatte, Regional Superintendent
Mandy Horn, Assistant Superintendent



Regional Office of Education #21

Serving Franklin, Johnson, Massac, and Williamson Counties

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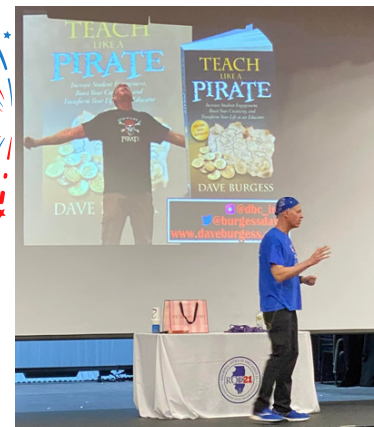
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Metropolis, IL. 62960
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Williamson Co. Office

502 West Jackson Street
Marion, IL. 62959
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ROE #21 Summer Institute was a huge success!!

The ROE #21 Professional Development Summer Institute has wrapped up for the year. We would like to thank everyone who made this professional development institute a success. The two day event was held at John A Logan in Carterville on June 8th and 9th. On June 8th Keynote speaker Chase Mielke presented REIGNITE Avoid Burnout, Increase Outcomes & Love to Learn Education Again. On June 9, 2022, Keynote Speaker Dave Burgess presented Teach Like a Pirate. A variety of breakout sessions were held with over 15 different presenters. A huge thank you to Grand Canyon University for providing lunch both days for our local educators! We would like to also thank all the local business who donated to the prize giveaways for those who attended.



31st Annual Egyptian Building Trades

Coats for Kids Golf Scramble

Monday, July 25, 2022

Franklin County Country Club

Player Fee: \$125.00
(Includes cart and lunch)

Registration 7:00 am
Shotgun Start 8:00 am

To Register or have questions, please call:
618-932-2102, Ext. 227



Please visit us at
www.roe21.org



ROE #21 Has a New Administrative Assistant!

It is our pleasure to welcome Kinsey Vanwey into her new position of Administrative Assistant. Kinsey will provide administrative support for Regional Superintendent, Lorie LeQuatte, Assistant Regional Superintendent, Mandy Horn, ROE #21 staff, school districts and the community.



Welcome Lisa Stanton to ROE #21!

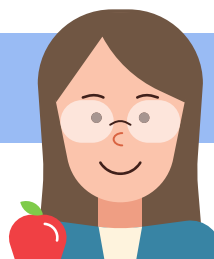


It is our pleasure to welcome Lisa Stanton into her new position of Family & Community Engagement Specialist! Lisa will coordinate programs and implement and support activities to ensure a strong connection between home and school. Lisa will educate parents and the community regarding the benefits and importance of regular attendance while leveraging internal resources and community partners.

Licensure

Have you checked the expiration date of your educator license?

The 2022 renewal cycle ends June 30, 2022. If you are up for renewal on June 30, 2022, log in to your ELIS account to renew your educator license TODAY!



- Log in to your Educator Licensure Information System (ELIS) account at <https://apps.isbe.net/iwasnet/login.aspx>.
- Click on "Renewal" in your Action Center. ELIS will lead you through the renewal steps, which includes answering legal background questions, selecting a region, and entering a credit/debit card to pay the applicable registration and handling fees.

If you have questions, please call our office.

Join the ROE #21 Team!!

The Regional Office of Education is accepting applications for a part-time Administrative Assistant in the Johnson County Office! Some duties will include:

- Greeting customers & Performing administrative tasks
- Assisting with Educator Licensure and Professional Development
- Performing Criminal Background Checks
- Assisting with issuing work permits
- Assisting with Home School Registration
- Assisting with issuing GED Diplomas and Transcripts

If you or someone you know is interested in this position please apply by completing the [ROE #21 Application](#), and sending a cover letter, resume, and three professional references to ROE #21 Attn: Job posting 502 W Jackson St., Marion, IL 62959 or by email to bgrove@roe21.org. The ROE #21 Job Application can be found [HERE](#). Official job posting can be viewed [HERE](#)

Upcoming Professional Development & Events

July 26, 2022

ROE 21 Educational Technology Roundtable
(In Person)

July 28 & 29, 2022

ROE #21 Teacher Bootcamp
(In Person)



July 2, 2022

Initial Bus Driver Training
ROE #21 Marion Training Center

July 14, 2022

ELDT Theory Training
ROE #21 Marion Training Center

Closed

Please note all ROE #21 offices will be

CLOSED

July 4, 2022 in observance of Independence Day

SUMMER HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Closed 12:00-1:00 for lunch

Summer



Family Fun Bucket List Ideas

Grow herbs, lettuces and flowers:

Plant basil and a tomato plant in a container. Or, plant sunflower seeds and patiently see which seeds sprout first. As it grows, you can measure it, and once it flowers you can use the seeds to feed the birds. It's also good to eat.



Use that equipment:

Is there kitchen equipment in your hallway closet or attic that you have never used? It's time to get out that pasta or popsicle maker, spiralizer or AeroPress coffee maker and learn how to use it.

Plan a photo shoot:

Choose a theme, select a location and get creative with props and costumes. Use a film camera or disposable camera to limit the number of shots and to work in an element of surprise with how they will turn out.



Have a water balloon fight:

Send your kids outside to battle it out and get soaked or join in on the fun. Fill small balloons inside or with a water hose. Make sure adults also get doused.

Welcome the birds:

You can put up bird feeders, a nesting box and a birdbath to attract sparrows, goldfinches and pigeons. Then, you can head to Audubon.org to identify them.



Map the neighborhood:

Walk your neighborhood and see if your family can make a map from your house to another location. You'll be surprised at what they might notice.

Dance, dance, dance:

Time to dance like no one is watching (maybe they are not). Learn to dance from the professionals. It's superfun -- and you can get some exercise, too.

Cooking challenge:

Devise a cooking challenge for your family, where you create a short list of ingredients that must be used in the meal. Think cheese and bread for the younger kids or novices, and more advanced ingredients for the older/more experienced cooks.



Do a puzzle: If you're bored with your puzzles, trade with a neighbor.



Family game night:

Hold a weekly game night and rotate who chooses the game. You could even play with other families in your neighborhood and rotate who's house will host each week.

Chalk art museum:

Chalk the neighborhood and make outside your kids' art museum



Let's have a picnic:

Picnic or grill in the backyard or in your local park. Grill meat or veggie hot dogs or bring sandwiches or takeout. Bring a Frisbee or soccer ball and play.

Lemonade stand: Set up a lemonade stand and give the proceeds to a good cause.



Hit the road: Read a book about the next place you want to visit. And if possible, make a plan to go there, even if it's not this summer.

Ice cream social:

Create an ice cream bar with options for sundaes, ice cream sandwiches and more.



Have a s'mores

night outside: Chocolate, graham crackers and marshmallows are a perfect combination, and you don't need a fire pit to set a marshmallow on fire.



COALITION OF SCHOOLS | EDUCATING mindfully

All educators in ROE #21 have access to a free professional membership to the Coalition of Schools Educating Mindfully (COSEM) Platform.

This membership includes:

- Professional learning events led by experts on mindfulness-based SEL topics.
- Personal development events such as mindfulness fundamentals and wellness series.
- Mentorship events where members share their experiences integrating mindful practices.
- Self-care sessions where members lead yoga and other mindfulness practices.
- School family supports such as mindfulness for parents, teens, and family wellness series.
- An online community to connect and learn about mindfulness-based resources.

Your free membership for the COSEM Platform is funded by the Area VI Social Emotional Learning and Trauma Response Grant.



If you are an educator in ROE #21 and would like to gain access to your free membership, please contact Dr. Christine Wiggs, Area VI SEL Culture & Climate Director at

cwiggs@roe21.org

If you have questions related to the COSEM platform, please contact Tracy Heilers at

hello@educatingmindfully.org

AREA VI



7 Edtech Books to Add to your Summer Reading List

Still have a little room left in your vacation-bound suitcase? Why not slip in an Edtech book so that you can continue learning while you soak up some well-earned rest and relaxation. Learning Technology Center of Illinois has created 7 Edtech books to add to your summer reading list [HERE](#)

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Giant City State Park Provides Monthly Topics for Teachers

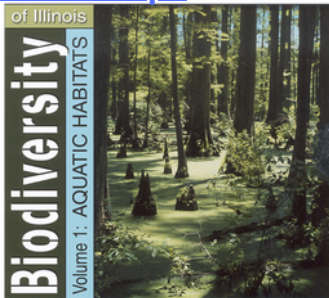
If you teach in the Carbondale area or other parts of Southern Illinois, you can be added to the monthly teachers' topic email from the Natural Resources Coordinator at Giant City State Park. Each month you will receive an email with links to teaching resources and learning standards for the topic as well as ideas on how you could teach about the topic by bringing your students to Giant City State Park. For more information or to sign up, send an email to Jennifer Randolph at jennifer.randolph@illinois.gov.



Species Search Web Page

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources' Biodiversity of Illinois Species Search Web page allows you to find information quickly and easily. Give it a try!

<https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/education/Pages/Biodiversity-of-Illinois.aspx>



Grant Applications Available

Applications are being accepted for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources Historic Sites Field Trip Grant, Illinois Biodiversity Field Trip Grant and Illinois Schoolyard Habitat Action Grant. You can access the instructions, application forms and other relevant information for all three grant programs through

<https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/education/Pages/grants.aspx>. Start planning today!



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