



Connection

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ROE #21 HOURS

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



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Congratulations to our January 2023 Teacher of the Month from Franklin County, Trent Cockburn! Mr. Cockburn is a Physical Education teacher at Zeigler-Royalton Elementary School in Zeigler, Illinois. He will receive a gift basket filled with various items donated by several Franklin County businesses as well as an engraved plaque donated by All Stars-N-Stitches of Benton, IL. In his nomination, it was explained that Mr. Cockburn is the most supportive and positive teacher in the school. He is always helping out or donating to our school's fundraisers. For example, every year Zeigler-Royalton Elementary gives bikes away to kids in need and every year, it never fails that Mr. Cockburn donates a bike or two and helps with the delivery of the bikes. Congrats to Mr. Cockburn and all who were nominated!

You can find the entire list of Franklin County Nominees [HERE](#). During the month of February, we will spotlight teachers from our Johnson County schools! Click [HERE](#) to nominate a teacher from Johnson County for February's Teacher of the Month.

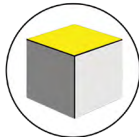


The Regional Office of Education #21 would like to recognize North Side Primary Center of Herrin CUSD 4 who obtained Exemplary Status for 2022. We apologize for the omission from last month's newsletter and congratulate you on your achievement!



Community Prevention Resources

Hibbett Sports in Harrisburg and West City sponsored the prize for the Use Your Cube Xtreme Sports theme that was in schools throughout December 2022. Prizes were given out to students at Eldorado Middle School, Harrisburg Middle School, and Central Junior High School. We would like to offer an Xtreme thank you to Hibbett Sports! Use Your Cube is a communication campaign from Community Prevention Resources and ROE#21 that focused on preventing underage alcohol use in local schools. For more information, visit UseYourCube.com.



Project ECHO, StarQuest Academy

Project ECHO and STARQuest Academy kicked off the semester with a student data retreat, presentations provided by our local military recruiters, and a cooking course with 4-H. Staff was able to review and analyze data from recent surveys. We are excited to announce that goals have been set for the semester, and we look forward to putting our action plan(s) into place. Also, Project ECHO is ecstatic to announce there have been 8 students who completed their high school credit requirements in order to obtain their diploma! Congratulations!



LEAD | ED Grant

Great opportunity for future leaders! We are excited to begin the recruiting process for our Learning While Leading grant. ROE # 21 has an opportunity for future leaders to participate in a 3-year grant beginning in the 2023-24 school year. In order to address the principal shortage, we would like to tap into teachers and teacher leaders that **currently hold a Type 75 or Principal Endorsement** who are not in a school leadership position, but have a desire to go into administration in the next 2-3 years. The goal of the grant is to provide professional learning and coaching support to educators, in order to help equip them with the tools to acquire administrative roles.

If you have qualified candidates or any questions regarding the grant, please email **Pam Walden** at pwalden@roe21.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

Upcoming Events

February 2nd
Principal Evaluation
Training

February 6th
Student Growth-Teacher/
Principal Evaluation
Retraining

February 8th
Subs for Subs

February 9th
Restorative Practices
Workshop

February 10th
Restorative Practices
Workshop

February 16th
Bus Driver Refresher
Training

February 18th
Initial Bus Driver Training

February 21st
ELDT Theory Bus Driver
Training

February 22nd
Curriculum Roundtable

February 23rd
Women in Leadership
Conference

February 24th
Instructional Coaching
Cohort #5

February 27th
Teacher of the Month Live
Drawing

Educator Licensure

Updates!

- Individuals enrolled in an Illinois preparation program with 90 College Credit Hours may now obtain a Substitute License.
- Individuals who are 18 years old may now obtain a Paraprofessional license. (Grades PK-8 only)
- Substitute Teachers may sub up to 120 Days instead of 90 Days for a licensed teacher.
- A Short-Term Paraprofessional License is now available! This requires a High School Diploma or Equivalent and it is valid for three years.
- Educators may begin renewing their Professional Educator License (PEL) after April 1, 2023.

Illinois State Board of Education

5 Essentials Survey

Be on the lookout for your school's 5Essentials Survey for the 2022-23 School Year. The survey opened January 24, 2023 and will close on March 31, 2023. The 5Essentials Survey is taken by all Pre-K-12th grade parents, teachers and all 4th through 12th grade students. The information collected through the survey is rigorously reviewed and analyzed to generate a 5Essentials Report for each school. The 5Essentials Report provides a comprehensive picture of the school environment based on five essential areas critical for school improvement in a meaningful context of similar and successful schools. The five essential areas include: Effective Leaders, Collaborative Teachers, Ambitious Instruction, Involved Families, and Supportive Environments.

A link to the Illinois 5Essentials Communication Kit is here:

<https://impactsurveysheelp.force.com/s/article/illinois-5essentials-communication-kit>

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the 5Essentials Survey, please email 5Essentials@ISBE.net

SAVE THE DATE - REGISTRATION COMING SOON

SUMMER INSTITUTE

JUNE 7TH

9:00am - 2:30pm

KEYNOTE: JOSH SHIPP

THE POWER OF ONE CARING ADULT

Variety of Breakout Sessions for everyone
including an Administrator's Academy!

JUNE 8TH

9:00am - 3:30pm

TEACH. TRAIN. THRIVE. WITH LANI LAWSON

(ALL DAY WORKSHOP)

Leave with practical strategies to be more
confident with behaviors in the classroom!

Professional Development Credit and Lunch will be provided both days!

