



JULY 2021
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Regional Office of Education #21

Franklin, Johnson, Massac, Williamson Counties

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Please visit us on the web at
www.roe21.org

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ROE #21 has a new Professional Development Coordinator!

It is our pleasure to welcome Dr. Christine Wiggs into the new professional development coordinator position at ROE #21. Chrissy will coordinate and provide professional development support for educators, administrators, and school districts in Franklin, Johnson, Massac, and Williamson Counties.



SIU Southern Illinois University CARBONDALE

SIUC Noyce Program

The National Science Foundation Noyce study is a nationwide study being conducted by Rice University. They are working to identify experienced teachers, especially in the areas of STEM, who have similar teaching backgrounds to teachers who completed the Master Teacher Fellowship (MTF) Noyce Programs across the country, including those who completed the program at Southern Illinois University -Carbondale. Details about the study can be found [HERE](#). If you have any questions, please contact Julie Wittenborn-Sikorski, SIUC Noyce MTF Program at jwittskisiucnoyce@gmail.com.

30th Annual Egyptian Building Trades
COATS FOR KIDS Golf Scramble
MONDAY, JULY 26, 2021
Franklin County Country Club



Player Fee: \$125.00
(Includes cart and lunch)
Registration 7:00am
Shotgun Start 8:00am

To Register or have questions, please call:
618-932-2102, Ext. 252



Educator Licensure

What can I teach with my license?

The Illinois State Board of Education has created the Teacher Assignability Tool – an interactive tool that can be used by district and school administrators, regional offices of education/intermediate service centers, and educators to determine what credentials an individual must hold for a particular assignment.

<https://www.isbe.net/Pages/teacher-qualifications.aspx>



Professional Development



Your one-stop shop for all professional development (PD) activities available across the state.

In 2019, ISBE partnered with external stakeholders to begin developing a new professional development system, PD+, for educators and professional development providers. PD+ will be an interactive system that will house information about available professional development for Illinois educators and professional development providers. ISBE has developed a phased approach to release PD+. A pilot group comprised of a cross-section of PD providers and educators will interact with the system and provide feedback to developers. Once the pilot group and developers test and approve the first round of features, ISBE will release a basic version of the system to the public. Additional features will be released in phases as they are developed and tested by the pilot group. Learn more with the [PD+ Fact Sheet](#)

Teacher Bootcamp

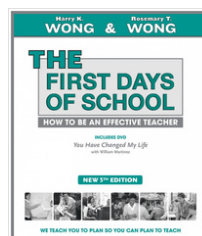
for New & Veteran Teachers

July 28 & 29, 2021 - ROE #21 Training Center
9:00 am to 3:00 pm - \$250.00

To start your school year off on the right foot, join us as we delve into strategies presented in Dr. Harry & Rosemary Wong's book titled: The First Days of School, How To Be An Effective Teacher. This book has been called a "must read" not only for beginning teachers, but also for skilled & veteran teachers as well.

The first days of school set the foundation for the entire school year! This Teacher Bootcamp will provide tips, tools, and tricks to help pave the way for a great school year. Presented by Dr. Kelly Stewart & Dr. Crystal Haselhorst! Register at:

<https://www.roe21.org/quiz/teacher-bootcamp-july-28-29-2021-2/>



REVISIT & RESET for ELA Teachers Grades K-12

August 4, 2021 - ROE #21 Williamson County Office - 9 am to 3 pm - \$50.00

This session will focus on supporting educators as we move ahead from a year of uncertainty. An overview of the ELA Priority Learning Standards (IPLS) will be provided, in addition to resources to help support students in unfinished learning. In order to enhance instruction and assessment, we will also be exploring online resources related to the Illinois Assessment for Readiness (IAR). Teachers will be given a chance to collaborate with other ELA teachers to help bridge instructional gaps and focus on the upcoming school year. Register at:

<https://forms.gle/hYSVm6LtWm9TbfpR6>

Upcoming Professional Development & Events

July 26, 2021 Coats for Kids
Golf Scramble
(Franklin County Country Club)

July 28 & 29, 2021- Teacher
Bootcamp (In Person)

July 30, 2021 Back to School
Administrator Meeting
(Marion Pavilion)

August 4, 2021- Review & Reset
for ELA Teachers
(In-Person)

August 5, 2021- Review & Reset
for Math Teachers
(In-Person)

August 30, 2021- Remote Learning
for Paraprofessionals
(Virtual)

September 17, 2021
Instructional Coaching
Cohort #4
(Hybrid)

Upcoming Bus Driver Trainings

(All events must be held in person)

July 7, 2021 Initial training
ROE #21 Office
Metropolis, IL

July 31, 2021 Initial training
ROE #21 Training Center
Marion, IL

August 31, 2021 Refresher
Crab Orchard School
Marion, IL

September 7, 2021 Refresher
• Central Jr. High West
• Frankfort, IL



Please visit www.roe21.org
for additional information



REVISIT & RESET for Math Teachers Grades K-8

August 5, 2021 - ROE #21 Williamson County Office - 9 am to 3 pm - \$50.00

This session will focus on supporting educators as we move ahead from a year of uncertainty. An overview of the Math Priority Learning Standards (IPLS) will be provided, in addition to resources to help support students in unfinished learning. In order to enhance instruction and assessment, we will also be exploring online resources related to the Illinois Assessment for Readiness (IAR). Teachers will be given a chance to collaborate with other Math teachers to help bridge instructional gaps and focus on the upcoming school year.

Register at: <https://forms.gle/mjyoURd4XnNiU25W9>

Resources

Resources Trunks and Packs are Available for Loan Again!

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources' resources trunks and packs are once again available for loan from locations throughout the state. These Illinois-specific units are filled with items for hands-on learning. There are trunks for 11 topics and field packs on three additional topics. Topics include wild mammals, trees, prairies, aquatics, invasive species, birds, fossils, pollinators, amphibians and reptiles, state symbols, people and animals from Illinois' past and nature exploration for early childhood students. Teachers, homeschooling educators, scout and youth group leaders, nature center personnel, librarians, day care center staff, camp coordinators and families are among the people who can successfully use these resources. A two-week loan period is suggested. There is no charge to borrow the trunks/packs, although a refundable deposit may be requested. Lessons are correlated to the Next Generation Science Standards, Common Core Standards and Illinois Early Learning and Development Standards, as appropriate. Suggested grade levels are provided but modifications can be made for use at other grade levels. Visit <https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/education/Pages/ItemsForLoan.aspx> to find the contact information to make a reservation, trunk/pack contents list and other information.



Get Connected with a federal discount on internet service at home


Spread the word! Did you know the federal Emergency Broadband Benefit provides discounts for internet service at home?

Households can qualify for EBB if at least one member:

- Participates in SNAP or Medicaid;
- Receives free/reduced-price school meals
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year; or
- Lost a job or experienced a substantial loss of income during the pandemic.

Find more details at:

<https://getemergencybroadband.org/>



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To find out if you qualify, go to:

GetEmergencyBroadband.org
or call (833) 511-0311



Seeking Employment?

You can now find up to date Employment Opportunities on our website at:
<https://www.roe21.org/jobs/>

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WE'VE
Moved!

The Williamson County
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Education #21
is now located at
502 West Jackson Street
(Corner of Jackson and Holland)
Marion IL, 62959
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Family Fun things to do this summer

Family game night: Have 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.



House or neighborhood scavenger hunt: Set up a scavenger hunt with clues at the end that involve a prize such as a favorite dessert or the winner's choice of movie night pick.

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:

Put up bird feeders, a nesting box and a birdbath to attract new friends. Then head to [Audubon.org](https://www.audubon.org) to identify them.



Take a happiness class:

Yes, you can learn happiness — and for free — from [Laurie Santos](https://www.laurie.santos.com), a professor of psychology at Yale University. Her wildly popular class is online.

Family reading time:

Read one chapter from a classic book out loud every night and ask everyone to listen. Some books and poetry were meant to be heard, not only read to oneself. Think Shakespeare's monologues or Martin Luther King Jr.'s speeches.



Family movie night:

Show a movie on the main television in your home. Serve popcorn and sodas and sing along to "Mary Poppins," watch Luke Skywalker and Darth Vader duke it out in "Star Wars," or watch a modern Disney classic.

Face painting: Learn to face paint and practice on each other. Hold a contest to vote for "best paint job," "most realistic," "best superhero" and "scariest animal."

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



Let it grow: Have everyone in your house plant sunflower seeds and patiently see whose will sprout first. As it grows measure it, and once it flowers use the seeds to feed the birds.

Pantry challenge: Pick an ingredient out of the pantry or refrigerator and cook from it. You can look at cookbooks for recipes or check online for guidance.

Chalk art museum: Chalk the neighborhood and make outside your kids' art museum

Random birthday cake night:

It doesn't have to be anyone's birthday to bake a cake and top it with buttercream frosting to eat and share with neighbors.

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



Family dance party: Host a family dance party to all sorts of different music and show the kids you can boogie (or salsa). Invite more guests in your neighborhood or long distant loved ones via Zoom.

Lego challenges: Give everyone a bag of Lego pieces and charge your crew with building a house, a store, a park, their school or a castle in the sky — and then set the timer. Creativity wins!



Each one, pick one: Each member of the family gets to pick something from his or her personal list for the whole family to do together. One rule: No picking something you already know another relative hates. Not fun!

Smash the virus: Make a coronavirus piñata, fill it with candy and whack the heck out of it. (This could be a trend forever.)



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.



Eat someplace else: Pick another state or country with food you like, cook it, listen to their music during dinner, and bring some phrases to the table from that location. This is especially good if you are planning a trip to that place. You'll be ready to go. We've already considered Paris.



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Please note all
ROE #21 Offices
are **CLOSED** on
Monday,
July 5, 2021
to observe
Independence
Day