#### **Regional Office of Education Report**

#### May 2024

Regional Offices of Education and Intermediate Service Centers are entrusted with assessing compliance of local school districts and recognized non-public schools in the state of Illinois. This process consists of a systematic review of district documentation and recording compliance with state and federal laws and Illinois School Code. The resulting designation is reported on the state website and as part of the Illinois Report Card. The compliance process is seen as an opportunity to improve operations and support the programs that deliver quality educational experiences to students. We rotate which school districts go through the full compliance audit on a 4 year cycle. This year so far we have completed the full compliance audit for Sterling School District, Saint Annes in Dixon, and Kings School District. We have yet to complete Eswood and Crestons compliance audits.

#### **Professional Learning & Educational Services**

Current Programs - Office of Professional Learning & Educational Services
Induction & Mentoring
Community Partnership Grant/IDPH Trauma Grant
Education Pathway Endorsement
Manufacturing, Health Science & Agriculture Endorsement Programs
Elevating Special Educators
School Improvement & Strategic Planning
School Improvement Cooperative (instructional coaching, training, networking)
Social Emotional Learning/Trauma/Youth Mental Health First Aid/TRS I-A
Early Childhood Professional Learning

# Family Education & Engagement NEXUS Family Support Services Student Attendance

# Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Professional Learning & School Improvement

- Our summer learning schedule has launched!
- May 1-May 10th is our Marigold week! The Marigold Award is an annual award in honor of our friend, Jen Banks, a beloved teacher and ROE 47 school improvement coach who passed away as the result of a tragic automobile accident in December 2015. Her love for learning and the students that she worked with was an inspiration to many. Jen's positive, supportive, and energetic attitude nurtured those around her and helped them to grow. In celebration of Jen's life and dedication to learning, ROE 47 has created an award in her honor. As Jen worked with many elementary and middle schools in the Sauk Valley area, this award is open to PK-8 Whiteside County teachers, paraeducators & administrators. Marigolds exist in our schools encouraging, supporting and nurturing teachers. They are leaders in their community, classrooms, and families. They have a love of learning and sharing that learning with others. This year, we recognize 39 nominees in our Whiteside county schools. Each nominee will receive a certificate, a copy of their nomination letter and a marigold. The overall winner will receive a basket of marigolds, a book, a certificate and copy of their nomination letter, and a \$100 Amazon gift card to build their classroom library.
- 8 students earned their Education Pathway endorsement and were recognized at our annual Education Symposium at Sauk Valley College. The day featured a scavenger hunt, educational breakout sessions for students, visits with college departments of education, a keynote by Pathway alum Madison Cumberland, and endorsement recognition.
- The Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services has or will submit the following competitive grant applications to meet the needs of students, educators, families, and communities: ISBE Computer Science grant, R3 grant, Early Childhood PFAE grant, Education Pathways Round 5 grant, and the Truancy and Alternative Learning Opportunities grant.
- Our Community Partnership Advisory groups will meet May 3rd to engage in strategic planning to support trauma informed communities and social emotional learning in Lee, Ogle & Whiteside counties. The Knowledge Center at Chaddock will facilitate these community conversations.
- A full schedule of Professional Learning is available on our website: www.roe47.org
- ROE 47 School Improvement team staff members are working intensively with six districts on continuous school improvement.

- Trauma 101 and Youth Mental Health First Aid Training is available for registration on our website. This training is available to ALL - educators, community members, agencies, and businesses.
- Professional Learning is excited to share that we are launching a third Science of Reading cohort and a new Science of Math cohort for the fall of 2024. Science of Math training is provided through a subgrant from Math for ALL with funding from the US Department of Education.
- One session remains in our Empowered Educators Series
  - May 15: Classroom Wrap Up: 10 Things to Take with You

# Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Parent Engagement & Community Outreach

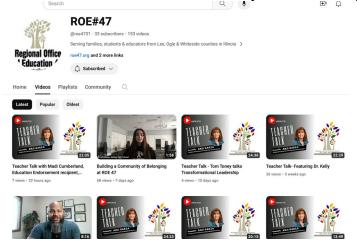
- To date, ROE 47 has 136 partners on its IRIS referral platform. There have been 2550 referrals and 1440 families served.
- Family Educators and the Coordinated Intake Specialist have attended over 36 community events and reached over 10,000 families with parent-child activities, educational materials, and links to EC programs and community services through our IRIS referral platform. In FY24, from July 1 April 30, 2024 the office has hosted or participated in community events that facilitated parent-child interaction and heightened awareness of EC opportunities, including:
  - Lee County Baby Shower (8 families)
  - Sterling Hot Dog Days (400 participants)
  - Back to School Bash (125 participants)
  - Paw Paw Back to School Bash (100 participants)
  - Taste of Fiesta (Sterling) (500 participants)
  - Prophetstown BlockFest (11 children)
  - Polo Library October 3 (12 families)
  - Ogle County Baby Shower (75 families)
  - Polo Library October 24: (12 families)
  - o Trunk or Treat Sterling (October 25): 500 children
  - Trunk or Treat Dixon (October 25): 475 children
  - Build A Pet Clubhouse November 4: 31 children
  - PLT Preschool Parent Education Event November 6: 27 parents
  - Polo Christmas December 2: 190 children
  - Sterling Sites & Sounds December 1: 450 children
  - Blockfest (Sterling Public Schools Early Childhood): 18 families
  - o Blockfest (Oregon) January 20: 12 families, 25 children
  - Empowered Parents Session 1 January 22: 15 caregivers
  - Virtual Baby Shower January 24: 8 new & expectant mothers; 9 community organizations
  - o Build A Pet Clubhouse February 10: 33 children
  - Empowered Parents Session 2 February 12: 12 caregivers

- Rochelle Hub Family Engagement Night February 15: 75 children and caregivers
- Blockfest Amboy March 1: 22 children
- Amboy PFA & Kindergarten Family Night: 50 caregivers and children
- Byron for Parent University March 12: 11 caregivers
- Empowered Parents Session 3 March 18: 14 caregivers
- Blockfest Riverdale Preschool March 18-21: 60 caregivers
- AFC Family Connections Night: 15 caregivers and children
- Building Brains (Sterling): 9 participants
- o Building Brains (Byron): 30 participants
- Building Brains (Dixon): 14 participants
- Our family educators hosted their first Parent Cafe in April. Additional sessions and topics will continue throughout the summer (see flier below).
- A social emotional lending library has been established that contains Blockfest, Mindful Trails, family engagement activities and Slumberkins resources. These items are available for check out to schools and agencies. We have 10 Mindful Trails, 15 Slumberkins StoryWalks, 15 Slumberkins Big Books, and Slumberkins books with stuffed animals, as well as a number of games and activities. To date, materials have been used for school wide student learning opportunities, staff professional development, community/school events, and school/community family engagement events.
- Family educators have consulted with school staff to help design engagement events, provide support before events, and supply materials to be used at events.
- A monthly digital family newsletter has been developed and deployed through Mail
  Chimp on a monthly basis. Newsletters include parenting information, community family
  events, early childhood programming and service information, and other important links.
  Parents/caregivers can subscribe to the ROE Family Newsletter at
  <a href="https://mailchi.mp/2cde621b466f/family-sign-up">https://mailchi.mp/2cde621b466f/family-sign-up</a>
- Over 2,000 community outreach bags have been distributed to area schools, preschools, food banks, and shelters. Outreach bags include a personal care item, information on family events and community resources, community agencies, a parent-child activity card, and an activity for parents and children to do together that is focused on social emotional learning, self-care, math, and/or literacy. Parent/child conversation starters, learning activities, and other materials are compiled covering a variety of age ranges and needs.
- Early Childhood and Family Education team members have assisted with spring early childhood screenings in partnership with our ROE 47 school districts.
- EC staff hosted their first monthly developmental screening May 2nd.

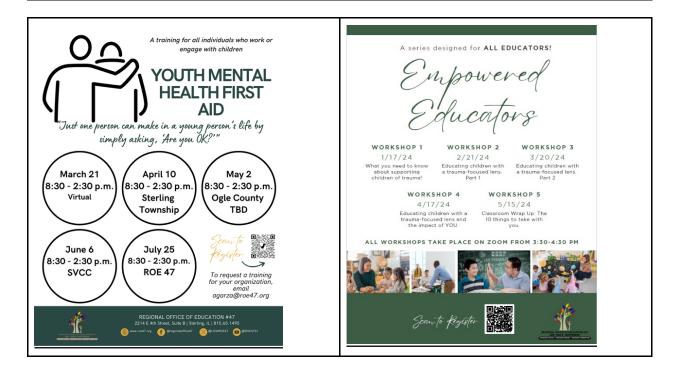
Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Social Media

The department's social media presence continues to grow. Like our page on Facebook (Regional Office of Education #47) and download our ROE47 App for weekly teacher talks, instructional tips, news, giveaways, updates & more! Follow us on Twitter @RegionalOffice47

Want to hear from educators & students in the classroom? Check out our Teacher Talks on YouTube! We have an extensive library of 153 videos (and growing) in our collection!



#### **Upcoming Events**





Summer Learning & Family Engagement



JUNE 1 ★ CHILD FAIR
SAUK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

JUNE 21 🔅 ROCK FALLS SUMMER SPLASH ROCK FALLS | 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

JULY 5 ★ PETUNIA FESTIVAL FAMILY FUN NIGHT DIXON | 5:00 - 7:00 PM

JULY 13 \* BUMPS, BABIES, & TODDLERS RESOURCE FAIR DIXON PARK DISTRICT FACILITY, DIXON | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

JULY 26 🔅 PTOWN PROUD BACK TO SCHOOL BASH PROPHETSTOWN | 5:00 - 7:00 PM

AUGUST 2 \* HOT DOG DAYS STERLING | 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

AUGUST 2 \* FORRESTON SAUKERKRAUT DAYS FORRESTON | 6:00 -9:00 PM

AUGUST 10 \* BACK TO SCHOOL BASH (PREK - THIRD GRADE)
WOODEN WONDERLAND PARK, DIXON | 9:00-11:00 AM



SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION & EVENTS OR TEXT 815.764.1194









**REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION 47** 

SUMMER BOOK STUDY

ENGAGE EVERY FAMILY



# Atlas of the Heart by Brene Brown

ROE 47 SUMMER BOOK STIUDY

. . Book can be purchased on Amazon .



Five Simple Principals; 2nd Edition

Steven M. Constantino

#### **JUNE 2024**

#### BLENDED COURSE SYNCHRONOUS/ASYNCHRONOUS

Starting June 3rd •
4 Weeks •
Google Classroom •
2 Virtual Zoom meetings •
10 PD Hours •

Engage Every Family: Five Simple Principles, Second Edition, outlines a pathway for educators to engaging families in student learning. Use the 5 principles to increase the likelihood of engaging every family, including those families that have been traditionally disengaged or disenfranchised from schools.

**SCAN TO REGISTER** 





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Google Classroom 4 weeks, 2 zooms 10 PD Hours Starting June 3rd

Local Resources

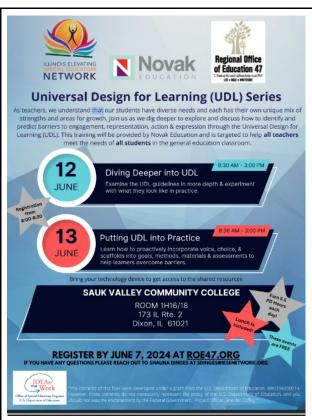


The book provides a comprehensive map of human emotions, enhancing self-awareness and empathy. It offers practical tools to navigate complex feelings and build stronger connections with others. The author's research-based approach makes the content accessible and applicable to real-life















#### RESTORATIVE PRACTICES: HARNESSING THE POWER OF COMMUNITY CIRCLES TO BUILD A STRONGER

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

PRESENTER: MICHAEL BAROLAK, MSW

JULY 9, 2024 -8:30AM-2:30PM @ SAUK VALLEY **COMMUNITY COLLEGE** 

n order to intentionally establish safe, healthy, inclusive and supportive teaching and learning environments for all, there must be a focus on developing the ABC's: Autonomy, Belonging and Competence. The ABC's represent the core pillars the upport what is necessary in any inclusive school community. Autonomy is the need to have a voice and some input or choiceover decisions in our lives. Belonging is the need to have meaningful relationships and interactions with others. While competence represents the need to know what is expected of us, and that we have value and worth.One approach to engage all stakeholders in creating a school community that exemplifies the ABC's is through the use of restorative practices. This session will ntroduce the philosophybehind the use of circles as a tool to build community and a ense of safe space in classroomsand schools. In addition, participants will leave with the skills necessary to lead and facilitate various types of circles, starting with proactive community circles, to those centered on addressing harm.









#### Responsive Action Plan

Tuesday, July 23rd 2024

ROE 47 2214 E 4th St Sterling, IL 61081

8:30am-

This workday is intended for SEL teams, building leadership, and SIP teams in Area 2. When you click on the register button, you will be directed to a Google Form application. Please fill out one application for yourself and your team that will be in attendance (note that an administrator must be part of the team for decision making purposes. Teams should also consist of at least 3 members). Once we have reviewed the application, your team will be sent an official registration link for each member to sign up.

#### Participants will

Evaluate school-wide Trauma Responsiveness in 8 domains. entify areas of priority by guided consensus for each domain Create an SEL action plan of identified areas of need Identify resources and training opportunities for each do





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#### Register Online



ROE 47.org



# Pathway Summer Training 2024

Date	Session		
Tuesday, July 9th	Mentor Teacher Training		
9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Training at ROE 47		
Thursday, July 11th	Round Table Discussion		
9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Training at ROE 47		
Tuesday, July 16th	Team-Based Challenge Training		
9:00 a.m 11:30 a.m.	Training at ROE 47		
Tuesday, July 23rd	Career Exploration at All Levels		
9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Training at Sauk Valley Community College		
Tuesday, July 30th	Xello Training #1		
10:00 a.m 11:30 a.m.			
Thursday, August 1st	Xello Training #2		
10:00 a.m 11:30 a.m.			
Wednesdays in July:	Workplace Wednesday		
July 10h, 17th & 24th			



May 29- August 8th: CTE Summer Learning Calendar







- m June 5, 2024
- 2214 E 4th St. | Swith





# **Training for Teachers**

JUNE 12, 19, & 26

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This training is designed to equip mentors working with beginning teachers (in year 1 or year 2, or in a new teaching area or district). Topics covered include school code for mentoring, understanding generational differences, adult learning principles, coaching techniques, fostering supportive communication, creating and assessing observation tools, aligning evaluation methods with mentroing, and self-evaluation. Peritipopts will practice observation using Danielson and district evaluation tools to support new teacher development. The training labor addresses problem-solving in mentroing situations, arining to enhance mentroir oblity to engage in meaningful discussions about teaching practices with their mentees. Ultimately, mentors will grain the knowledge, confidence, and skills to affectively upport their mentees' professional growth through coaching and guidance.

- Non Co-op \$300



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# **NEW STAFF ORIENTATION**

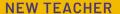


Office of Education #47 through engaging interactive activities

#### **NEW ADMINISTRATOR**

July 29, 2024 | 9:00 - 11:00 AM

- Introduction to mentoring opportunities for administrators
   Developing effective communication strategies with stakeholder groups
   Understanding teacher evaluation processes



August 6, 2024 | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

- Licensure process
  Mentoring expectations
  Effective communication with parents and
  colleagues
  Professional teaching standards
  Planning for the initial critical days of school
  Networking opportunities for new teachers















Whether you're brand new to 3D printing or you have one that's gathering dust, this workshop will give you the foundation you need to **utilize 3D printing in an educational setting**.

- We'll start at square one by learning: How 3D printers work
- How 3D printers work

  How to create and prepare models for printing

  How to operate your printer

  How to troubleshoot your printer when issues arise

From there, we'll discuss lesson ideas, ways to manage projects effectively, and how to design your space to maximize learning. You'll even build your own project in Tinkercad that you can take back to your students.

Don't have a 3D printer for your classroom yet? No problem. Attendees will also have the opportunity to purchase and take one home through this workshop.

#### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Instructional Technology Coaches
- Library Media Specialists
- Any educator interested in 3D printing





REGISTER

LTCIllinois.org/events







# **ROE 47 EXPLORING EdTech Summit**

Calling ALL educators! Join the LTC and ROE team for a fun, fast-paced exploration of cutting-edge tools, product updates, and emergent edtech trends!

Where: Sauk Valley Community College

When: August 7, 2024 Time: 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

Ed Tech Share!

Learn about the newest tech tools that you can use to start your school year off right!

Perfect for All Educators The summit will offer something for everyone elementary, secondary, media specialists, administrators...all are welcome!

Register Here:









#### Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Professional Learning Events

Check out ALL of our opportunities **HERE** 

MAY 2024 Events		
5/1/2024	Illinois Performance Evaluation Retraining: Student Growth (Admin Acad #3000)	Online (Zoom)
5/3/2024	Trauma-Informed Community Planning	SVCC (In- person)
5/7/2024	Developing Leadership in Special Education (Year One)	SVCC (In- person)
5/8/2024	Teacher Evaluation Recertification - Gathering Evidence During Observations	ROE #47 (In- person)

	and Conferencing Using the Danielson  Model (Admin Acad #1801)	
5/15/2024	Principal Evaluator Competency Skill  Building for Pre-Qualified Principal  Evaluators (Admin Acad #1865)	Online (Zoom)
5/15/2024	Empowered Educator Series	Online (Zoom)

#### April 2024 Participants - 241

Tuesday, April 2

Ed Pathways Cohort 4 @ 3:15 p.m.

#### Tuesday, April 9

Targeted Improvement to Meet the Need of Diverse Learners @ ROE #47 Ed Pathways Cohort 2 & 3 @ 3:15 p.m. LETRS Training @ 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 10

Whole Child, Whole Life (Spring Book Study) @ 3:30 p.m.

Special Educators Cohort @ 3:30 pm

#### Thursday, April 11

Administrator Networking Session @ SVCC

#### Tuesday, April 16

Trauma Basics @ ROE #47

#### Wednesday, April 17

School Counselors & Social Workers Networking Session @ ROE 47 Deanery School Improvement Networking Session @ Newman Catholic High School Empowered Educators Series @ 3:30 pm

#### Thursday, April 18

Librarians & School Library Media Specialist Networking Session @ 3:00 p.m.

#### Tuesday, April 23

Instructional Support Educators Networking @ ROE #47

#### Wednesday, April 24

Preschool Family Support Specialist Networking Session @ 9:00 am New Teacher Cadre @ 3:30 p.m.

#### Thursday, April 25

Social Science Quarterly Networking Session @ ROE #47

#### Friday, April 26

Transitional Math Spring Networking Session @ SVCC

#### Tuesday, April 30

Developing Leadership in Special Education (Year Two) @ SVCC Trauma Basics @ Lee County Courts Building Creating a Trauma-Informed School Culture (Admin Acad) @ 8:30 am

#### **April 2024 in Photos:**



















#### In the News... Elizabeth Clarida earns Education endorsement



Posted Wednesday, April 24, 2024 3:41 pm

#### By Brandon LaChance, Editor

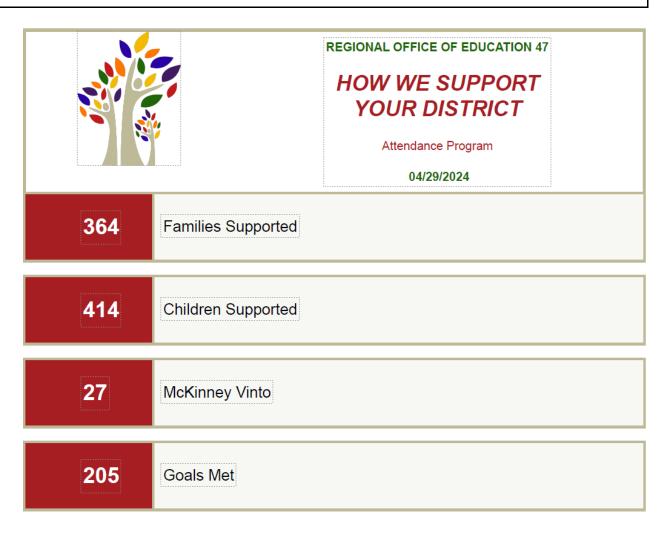
Amboy senior Elizabeth Clarida walked across the Sauk Valley Community Stage Friday, April 19 to accept her certificate for her Pathways Education endorsement.

"Receiving my Education Pathways endorsement was an incredibly rewarding experience. Through this journey, I created a science club, worked with my classmates, and was able to student teach in a classroom, solidifying my path towards becoming a teacher. I'm very proud of this achievement and highly recommend the program to any aspiring educators."

# Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: NEXUS

	REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION 47  HOW WE SUPPORT YOUR DISTRICT  Nexus Program 04/29/2024
174	Families Supported
412	Children Supported
83	McKinney Vinto
591	Goals Met
6,082	Family Contacts

#### Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Student Attendance Support



#### **Parents as Teachers First Years**

A monthly feature of our PAT program are group connection activities. These activities provide an opportunity for families to meet and connect with each other and with other service providers in their communities. In March, we took field trips to the Oregon and Rochelle fire stations. The children had fun visiting with the firemen and checking out the equipment. Thank you so much to these community service providers for hosting our

families!













#### **Education Outreach Program**

As we approach the end of the school year, the Education Outreach Program is preparing students for what is to come. Our classes are held two days per week from August to June 30th. Our program will take July to organize and restructure to better serve individuals. EOP staff will work hard over the summer months to coordinate with individuals on their needs, whether that be studying, job search assistance, community referrals or post-secondary enrollment.

Intake meetings for new student enrollment will come to a close in April and will reestablish again in July. EOP has been actively meeting with new potential students throughout the month of April and will host Orientation and Enrollment for 3 new students bringing our new student enrollment total to 24 for the 23-24 school year.

EOP also would like to recognize **Rian** for earning their Illinois High School Diploma! Congratulations Graduate in completing your testing and State Requirements.

The Education Outreach Program will be holding our own Graduation Ceremony on Friday, June 7th at the Regional Office of Education #47. Students will not only receive recognition and praise for earning their Illinois High School Diploma but will also have the opportunity to invite family and friends to experience this with. They will be formally recognized and presented with their caps and gowns as they receive their honors.

School Districts have been working a great deal with our students that are seniors and their next steps following graduation. College, trade schools, the workforce are just some of the topics and areas they are helping their students make forward progress in. School on a daily basis is the stable place for some of our M/V students, therefore, work is being done to create the best possible summer arrangements for our students. The district staff are working hard as always to support our M/V students.

# **Regional Center for Change**

Pictures are worth a thousand words! See below for some of the amazing, inspiring, and exciting times at C4C throughout the school year!











