Regional Office of Education Report

June 2024

School Construction Season

As you drive around the counties this summer, I am sure you will see several construction projects happening with our school districts. Summer is the ideal time for schools to get needed repairs taken care of when students and staff are not in the building as much. Whenever a district plans a project that will cost more than \$50,000 dollars or involves moving walls, new electrical or plumbing work, then the district has to submit a building permit with our office. Josh and I then go over the permit and plans and if everything is in order, we issue a building permit to the district. We then stay in touch with the district while the work is being completed. At the end of the job, the district submits an occupancy permit with us and we go out and inspect the job to make sure it is complete. If everything is complete then we issue an occupancy permit so students and staff can return to the area that was worked on. It is amazing to see all the work that gets accomplished every summer and Josh and I really enjoy getting to be a part of it.

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

- June 1 begins summer professional learning! A full schedule of Professional Learning is available on our website: www.roe47.org
- Congratulations to our 2024 Marigold Ward winner, Mrs. Stacy Germann from Fulton Elementary School. Stacy received a basket of marigolds, a book, a certificate and copy of their nomination letter, and a \$100 Amazon gift card to build her classroom library. 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. This year, we recognize 39 nominees in our Whiteside county schools.
- ROE 47, Whiteside Area Career Center, Rock Falls High School, and the Sauk Valley Chamber partnered to host a Manufacturing Signing Day at RFHS and WACC on Frday, May 17th
- The Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services has submitted 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.
- 13 trauma/social emotional learning trainings have been hosted for educators and front line staff workers from community organizations and agencies.
- A student summit was hosted with over 127 participants from Lee, Ogle & Whiteside counties.
- 22 schools have completed the TRS-IA.
- 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.

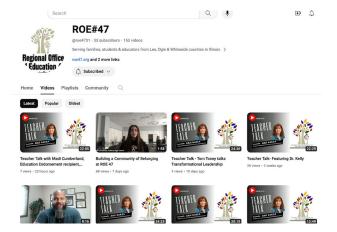
Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Parent Engagement & Community Outreach

- To date, ROE 47 has 138 partners on its IRIS referral platform. There have been 2578 referrals and 1459 families served.
- Over 5,000 outreach bags with a parent-child engagement activity and information on trauma have been disseminated to local schools, shelters, and food banks.
- ROE 47 has been present at 36 community events, reaching over 10,000 families.
- Seven family education and engagement sessions were conducted.
- Educator and families needs assessment surveys were conducted with results analyzed by the Community Partnership Advisory group.
- 5,000 trauma awareness and resource directory fliers have been disseminated to areas schools, businesses, and agencies.
- 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 May 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)
 - 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
 - o 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
- 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
- Building Brains (Byron): 30 participants
- Building Brains (Dixon): 14 participants
- YMCA Outdoor Adventure Fest
- Parent Cafes have been scheduled for summer 2024.
- 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
 https://mailchi.mp/2cde621b466f/family-sign-up
- 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!

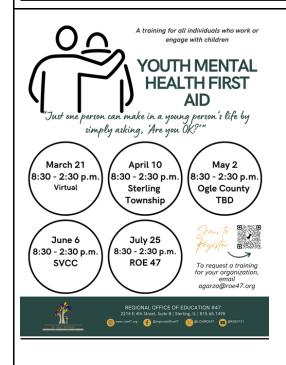


Upcoming Events













ENGAGE EVERY FAMILY

Five Simple Principals; 2nd Edition

Steven M. Constantino

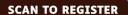
JUNE 2024

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.







ENGAGE EVERY FAMILY

REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #47





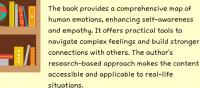
Atlas of the Heart by Brene Brown

ROE 47 SUMMER BOOK STIUDY

. Book can be purchased on Amazon



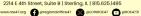
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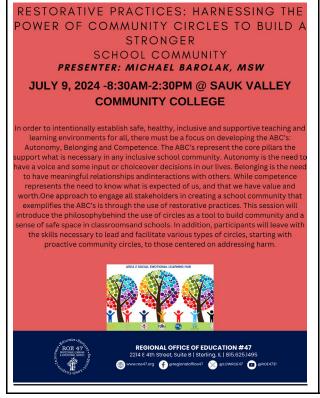
















Pathway Summer Training 2024

Register Online



ROE 47.org



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.	ange growing and an and
Wednesdays in July:	Workplace Wednesday
July 10h, 17th & 24th	



May 29- August 8th: CTE Summer Learning Calendar





Administrator Academy #1573

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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 of attition). Topics covered neutral send send for mentoring, understanding generational differences, adult learning principles, coaching techniques, featering supportive communication, creating and assessing observation tools, aligning evaluation methods with mentoring, and self-evaluation. Participants will practice observation using Denielson and district evaluation tools to support new teacher development. This training show addresses problem-solving in mentoring situations, aiming to enhance tools in the control of th

Training for Teachers JUNE 12. 19. & 26







NEW STAFF ORIENTATION



Discover the array of services and resources offered by the Regional Office of Education #47 through engaging interactive activities.

NEW ADMINISTRATOR

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

- oduction to mentoring opportunities for



NEW TEACHER

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

- Effective communication with parents and
- Colleagues
 Professional teaching standards
 Planning for the initial critical days of school
 Networking opportunities for new teachers













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AUGUST 13 @ 7PM More Info: gheimerdingerbaake@roe47.org



Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Professional Learning Events

Check out ALL of our opportunities **HERE**

JUNE		
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6/3/2024 - 6/28/2024	Summer Book Study - Atlas Of The Heart By Brene Brown	Online (Google Classroom & Zoom)
6/3/2024 - 6/28/2024	Summer Book Study - Engage Every Family	Online (Google Classroom & Zoom)
6/5/2024	Supporting New Teachers Through High Quality Induction & Mentoring Programs	ROE #47 (In- person)
6/6/2024	Bring 3D Printing Into Your Classrooms!	ROE #47 (In- person)
6/6/2024	Youth Mental Health First Aid	SVCC (In- person)
6/11/2024	<u>Lani Lawson's Teach, Train, Thrive - Part</u> <u>1</u>	SVCC (In- person)
6/12, 6/19 & 6/26/2024	Induction And Mentor Training For Teachers	ROE #47 (In- person)
6/12 & 6/13/2024	<u>Universal Design For Learning (UDL)</u> <u>Series</u>	SVCC (In- person)
6/17 - 6/20/2024	Trauma Training	SVCC (In- person)
6/25/2024	Lani Lawson's Teach, Train, Thrive - Part 2	Peoria, IL
JULY		

7/9/2024	Restorative Practices: Harnessing The Power Of Community Circles To Build A Stronger School Community	SVCC (In- person)
7/9/2024	Mentor Teacher Training for Pathways	ROE #47 (In- person)
7/10, 7/17, 7/24/2024	Workplace Wednesdays	ROE #47 & Various Locations
7/11/2024	Pathways Networking Session	ROE #47 (In- person)
7/16/2024	Team-Based Challenge Training for Pathways	ROE #47 (In- person)
7/23/2024	Developing A School Wide Trauma Responsive Action Plan	ROE #47 (In- person)
7/23/2024	<u>Career Exploration At All Levels -</u> <u>Pathways</u>	SVCC (In- person)
7/25/2024	Youth Mental Health First Aid	ROE #47 (In- person)
7/29/2024	New Administrator Orientation	ROE #47 (In- person)
7/30/2024	Xello Training #1 - Training Beyond The Basics	Online (Zoom)
7/30/2024	Reading Interventions	SVCC (In- person)
7/31/2024	Workplace Wednesday Supersize	ROE #47 (In- person)
7/31/2024	Math Interventions	SVCC (In- person)
AUGUST		
8/1/2024	Xello Training #2	Online (Zoom)

8/6/2024	New Teacher Orientation	ROE #47 (In- person)
8/7/2024	EdTech Summit	SVCC (In- person)

May 2024 Participants - 144

Wednesday, May 1

Illinois Performance Evaluation Retraining: Student Growth @ 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, May 2

Superintendents Networking Session @ ROE #47

Friday, May 3

Trauma-Informed Community Planning Networking Session @ SVCC

Tuesday, May 7

Developing Leadership in Special Education (Year One) @ SVCC

LETRS Cohort @ ROE #47

LETRS Training @ 3:30 p.m.

New Teacher Cadre @ 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 8

Teacher Evaluation Recertification @ ROE #47

Wednesday, May 15

Principal Evaluator Competency Skill Building for Pre-Qualified Principal Evaluators @ 8:30 a.m.

Empowered Educators Series @ 3:30 pm

Tuesday, May 28

DIAL 4 Training @ Stepping Stones Preschool, Rochelle

May 2024 in Photos:









In the News...





Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce May 20 at 6:01 PM · 🚱

Signing Day 2024! Friday May 17th was an incredible example of Community Collaboration; bringing education and business together to celebrate local students entering the local workforce after graduation. These students have all chosen the manufacturing career pathway and we are so proud of them for their incredible work ethic. Thank you to Whiteside Area Career Center, Regional Office of Education #47, Rock Falls High School, and our local employers who are investing students locally! Workforce development and continuing to bridge education and students with business and employers is a key priority for the SVACC as we are committed to supporting our local students and employers!

Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: NEXUS

	REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION 47 HOW WE SUPPORT YOUR DISTRICT Nexus Program 05/29/2024
203	Families Supported
437	Children Supported
87	McKinney Vinto
640	Goals Met
6,945	Family Contacts

Office of Professional Learning & Ed Services: Student Attendance Support

	REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION 47 HOW WE SUPPORT YOUR DISTRICT Attendance Program 05/29/2024
364	Families Supported
414	Children Supported
27	McKinney Vinto
211	Goals Met
4,471	Family Contacts

On May 7th, Lois Meisenheimer, the program coordinator, presented at the Partner Plan Act Conference. This year's virtual conference had over 600 attendees. The theme of the conference was EQUITY FROM THE START: STRENGTHENING RELATIONSHIPS FOR SYSTEMS CHANGE. This conference was put on by Illinois Action for Children and focused on community systems building. The presentation was on *Collaborative Excellence - Statewide Partnerships* and was a panel presentation with Lois Meisenheimer representing the regional early childhood coalition (Sauk Valley STARS) and Abby Hoskins, the Region 47 Birth to Five Illinois Regional Manager. Also on the panel were Birth to Five Illinois Regional Managers from DeKalb and Rock Island regions and the Early Childhood collaboration president from Rock Island. We had around 180 attendees at our session. It was a great opportunity to represent the excellent collaboration work that is happening in the northwest region of our state – the only areas to have these types of partnerships with Birth to Five Illinois!

Education Outreach Program

The Education Outreach Program is busy preparing for our Graduation Ceremony and presenting our 13-15 students with their Illinois High School Diploma. Many of our students have experienced struggles in their youth and into adulthood. This milestone is a win that could carry them to a new chapter that is very much needed in order to truly feel success.

EOP would like to recognize **3 new graduates** for earning their Illinois High School Diploma in May! Congratulations Haleigh, Jaydn and Adrian in completing your testing and State Requirements. We have 2 more students working hard to earn their diploma to make our Graduation ceremony on June 7th!

McKinney Vento Homeless Program

With the school year coming to a close, School Districts have been working a great deal with our students and helping to secure summer opportunities and activities. Our students often viewed school as their place of stability and therefore, the summer months can be more challenging. Community involvement and their programs help greatly during these next months.

We have wrapped up another great year at C4C. Our graduation ceremony was held on May 28th. This year, 11 students successfully completed the 8th-grade requirements, and 16 students graduated from high school, tying our record from last year!

Way to go, students. You did it!!! The Center for Change is not just a school; we are a family. Many of our students are not just surviving; they are thriving. That said, our top priority is to offer hope to our students. Hope for a future, hope that they can change! We try to show them that whatever brought them to our school is not a chain holding them down but fuel to fire a change! In recovery, we often say, "How do I know if I hit bottom?" well, "You put the shovel down." Our graduates are a clear example of how they put the shovel down and climbed into a bright future. Our school is a lighthouse for all of our students.

One of the number one characteristics future employers look for is attendance and showing up. We believe in the importance of attendance at C4C. Yes, unlike other schools, we make a personal phone call each and every day when a student is not present. Aubrey Schaeffer was our Perfect Attendance certificate recipient at Graduation.

We are the Center for Change, Not the Center for Staying the Same! Four students were nominated this year for Student of the Year! The Student of the Year award is dedicated to acknowledging students who exemplify the three core tenets of our mission statement: hope for a future, self-confidence now, and resiliency. We believe that these qualities are not only essential for personal growth but also crucial for creating a positive impact on our community.

Student of the Year recipients

Matthew Comito - Eastland High School

Gabby Gonzalez - Rock Falls High School

8th Grade Graduates
Emily Brown - Reagan Middle School
Jazmyn Dawson - Oregon Junior Senior High School
Giselle Heggelund - Oregon Junior Senior High School
Zaiden Johnson - Rock Falls Middle School
Raven Kramer - Morrison Junior High School
Ginger Lahey - Rock Falls Middle School

Alejandro Lopez - Challand Middle School Diontae McCall - Challand Middle School Mateo McNiece - Challand Middle School Garrett O'Rourke - Reagan Middle School Devin Peppers - Rock Falls Middle School

12th Grade Graduates

Brayden Booker - Byron High School

McKenley Lawler - Dixon High School

Emily McClain - Amboy High School

Jenna Bridgeman - Fulton High School

Matthew Comito - Eastland High School

Caydence Ross - Ashton Franklin Center High School

Owen Stephenson - Morrison High School

Savannah Karrow - Rock Falls High School

Griffin McAlister - Dixon High School

Madie Penaflor - Sterling High School

Madison Rockwood - Dixon High School

Kiara Storball - Dixon High School

Rylee Ware - Oregon Junior Senior High School

Madison Wittenauer - Amboy High School

Carter Fagan - Dixon High School

Adrienne Riggen - Dixon High School







