

# Regional Office of Education #12

Monte Newlin, Regional Superintendent of Schools

*Serving Clay, Crawford, Jasper, Lawrence, and Richland Counties*

## Quarterly Report of Activities

*June - August 2017*

*(Many of our services are driven by the school calendar; thereby, reflecting varying numbers.)*

### Bus Driver Trainings

Number Initial Trainings	Number of Initial Training Participants	Number Refresher Trainings	Number of Refresher Training Participants
1	13	9	251

### Compliance (School Recognition)

Compliance Visits
0 (Conducted in the Spring)

### Early Childhood Services

Number of Sites	Number of Classrooms	Number of Sessions	Total Students Enrolled	Number of Family Outreach/ Parent Education Events
5	6	9	177	5

### Educator Licensure

Type	Total
Total Licenses Issued	66
Total Educators Registered	171
Total Licenses Registered	173
Total Educator PEL Endorsements Issued	8
Total Substitute Authorizations Issued	24
Total Substitute Licenses Registered	20
Total Educator License with Stipulations (ELs - Paraprofessionals) Issued	17

**Fingerprinting Services for Criminal History Record Information (CHRI)**

<b>Number of Persons Fingerprinted</b>
145

**Health Life/Safety**

<b>Buildings Inspected</b>	<b>Building Permits Issued</b>	<b>Occupancy Permits Issued</b>
0 (Conducted in the Fall)	0	2

**High School Equivalency Verifications (GED Records)**

<b>Number of Records Requests/Verifications</b>
51

**Home School Registrations**

<b>Number of Registrations</b>
8

**Homeless Services**

<b>Number of Students Served</b>	<b>Staff Training Events</b>	<b>Estimated Number of Participants in Staff Trainings</b>
84	4	41

**Learning Technology Center VI**

<b>Number of Districts/Entities Served</b>	<b>Number of Events/Trainings</b>	<b>Estimated Number of Participants</b>
189	3	150

**Professional Development**

<b>Number of Events/Trainings</b>	<b>Number of Participants</b>
4	31

**Regional Board of School Trustees**

Meetings	Action
0	No Business Presented to the Board

**Right Track Truancy Program**

Truancy Review Board (TRB) Mtgs	Court Cases	Student Intervention Meetings	Home Visits	School Admin Contacts	TRB Summons Delivered
0	0	0	1	32	0

**Student Events/Programs**

Number of Events	Number of Participants
0	N/A

**Student Work Permits**

Number of Permits Issued
29

**Truant Alternative/Optional Education/Regional Safe School Programs (ASSIST Programs)**

Number of Students Enrolled in Truant Alternative	Number of Students Enrolled in Safe School
35	12

**Activities of the Regional Superintendent**

Date	Activity
Jun 3, 2017	Richland County Courthouse Open House in Olney
Jun 5, 2017	Regional Superintendent's CLASS Award Presentation to Silverthorne Auto in Robinson
Jun 8, 2017	ISBE Phone Conference
Jun 12, 2017	Regions Bank Building Walkthrough in Robinson (Potential Crawford County ROE Location)
Jun 14, 2017	Guest Speaker for the Robinson Rotary Club in Robinson
Jun 15, 2017	Rural Schools Forum at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston
Jun 20, 2017	Arbors North Walkthrough in Robinson (Potential Crawford County ROE & Pre-K Location)
Jun 23, 2017	Walkthrough of Potential Sites for Crawford County ROE in Robinson

Date	Activity
Jun 28, 2017	Participated in PaCE Q&A
Jun 29, 2017	ISBE Phone Conference
Jun 30, 2017	Crawford County Building & Grounds Committee Chair in Robinson (Potential ROE Site)
Jul 6, 2017	Interview with ASSIST Director Candidate in Robinson
Jul 12-14, 2017	IARSS Annual Meetings in Springfield
Jul 24, 2017	Interview with Alia Blackburn, WTHI-TV, Re: School Funding Reform
Jul 27, 2017	ISBE Phone Conference
Aug 2, 2017	ROE 12 Staff Meeting in Lawrenceville
Aug 3, 2017	Meeting with Marshall Movers Re: Upcoming Crawford County ROE Move
Aug 10, 2017	Meeting with Chad Hoesman, ROE 40 Asst Reg Supt Re: IARSS Presentation
Aug 11, 2017	Meeting with Flat Rock Telephone Re: Service at new Crawford County ROE Location
Aug 15, 2017	Meeting with In His Design Re: New Crawford County ROE Location
Aug 16, 2017	IARSS Area VI Meeting in Mt. Vernon
Aug 17, 2017	ISBE Phone Conference
Aug 29, 2017	Alia Blackburn, WTHI-TV Re: Crawford County Pre-K Program Move
Aug 30, 2017	IARSS Connecting Conference in Springfield

**Regional Superintendent's Mileage**

Total Miles
2839

## ROE #12 Events of Note

### ***Silverthorne Auto Group Recognized with Regional Superintendent's CLASS Award***

Regional Superintendent of Schools, Monte Newlin is pleased to announce that the Silverthorne Auto Group of Robinson is the second recipient of the Regional Superintendent's CLASS Awards Program. CLASS (Community Leaders Assisting School Success) spotlights local business and community entities that have made a significant, positive contribution to the quality of education for the students of Clay, Crawford, Jasper, Lawrence, and Richland Counties. "Silverthorne Auto has

proven again and again that they are not only community-focused, but community-invested." said Newlin. Over the past several years, Silverthorne has generated up to \$6000 a year for the extracurricular programs of Robinson High School through their local sponsorship of the Ford Drive 4 UR School Program. More recently, Silverthorne sponsored a new car raffle with the proceeds going to all four Crawford County high schools. Palestine High School won the competition. PHS Dean of Students Tangi Waldrop noted, "It gave us an opportunity to say, "yes" to many things that had been denied in the last several years. I had no idea the impact it was going to have on our students and school! It was as if \$17,000 fell from the sky



over PHS!" Robinson Unit 2 Superintendent Josh Quick observed, "...it generated a lot of excitement in the community." Newlin added, "With declining enrollments and shrinking, inconsistent state support, schools across our five-county region are having to cut programs that are not mandated, but they are ones that have proven to be every bit as essential to a student's overall education, but are just not required by law. That makes every dollar generated by entities like Silverthorne even more meaningful to the quality of learning available to local students." Owner Scott Silverthorne is considering expanding the program and making some changes to increase the competition in order to generate more dollars for students.

Hutsonville Unit 1 Board President Tina Callaway remarked that, "The generosity of Scott Silverthorne and the Silverthorne Auto Group is most deserving of the CLASS Award for injecting over \$41,000.00 directly into the four Crawford County high schools. If that's not CLASS, I don't know what is."

To nominate a local business or community group for a CLASS Award, contact Regional Superintendent of Schools Monte Newlin at [mnewlin@roe12.org](mailto:mnewlin@roe12.org).

### ***ASSIST Has a New Director for 2017-2018 School Year***

ROE 12 ASSIST Truant Alternative/Optional Education and Safe School Program in Willow Hill has a new director for 2017-2018. Roy Clapp took the helm of the program on August 1st. Clapp comes to ROE 12 from the Cumberland County School District. Roy has numerous years of experience in working with students in various capacities, and has also served on the ROE 11 Advisory Board, been active in economic development in Cumberland County, and is in active service with the U.S. Air Force National Guard. He replaces Travis Titsworth, who accepted the position of principal at Hutsonville High School. We welcome Roy, and thank Travis for his successful tenure at ASSIST. We wish both continuing success!



### ***Regional Superintendent Discusses the Ongoing State Education Budget Situation***

Regional Superintendent of Schools Monte Newlin was interviewed by WTHI-TV News10 on July 24th regarding Governor Rauner's amendatory veto of SB 1, the evidence-based funding model that was designed to serve as the vehicle for delivering state funds to the public schools of Illinois as part of the recently-passed state budget. While the Governor's veto was upheld in the General Assembly, a new bill containing an evidence-based funding model was passed in the weeks that followed, which allowed schools to open on time for the new school year.



### ***ROE 12 Trains Local School Administrators To Make Them More Effective Teacher Evaluators***

On August 1st, ROE 12 conducted Administrator Academy #1448 Teacher Evaluator Competency Skill Building for Pre-Qualified Teacher Evaluators (Part 1 of 3) at the Highland Church of Christ in Robinson. As part of the Performance Evaluation Reform Act (PERA) legislation passed back in 2011 by the Illinois General Assembly, all licensed administrators who evaluate teachers are required to receive additional training before renewing their licenses. These trainings provide a key link between the evaluation of a teacher's performance, the improvement of instruction, and the improvement of learning.



## ROE 12's Crawford County Pre-K Program Relocates

Regional Superintendent of Schools Monte Newlin announced today that ROE 12's Storybrooke Pre-K Program has relocated for the 2017-2018 school year to a new facility at the Senco Training Center on Eaton Street.

"Over the past many years, our Robinson Pre-K Program partnered with Gingerbread House Daycare, and was located at their south facility on Pine Street. With the start of the new school year, we have been fortunate to have offered to us the training facility at Senco. Chad Brown and his team at Senco helped us fulfill a need and really went above and beyond in offering their training area for our program. They saw a need, and didn't hesitate in stepping up to the plate." The modification of the facility has allowed what was one large area to become two nice-sized classrooms. Along with the existing kitchen and handicapped-accessible restrooms, the addition of a new playground area makes the transition complete.

The Regional Superintendent's Office operates five Pre-K programs in four counties (Clay, Crawford, Jasper, and Richland) serving 180 students annually through a state-funded Preschool for All Grant.

"We're grateful for our long association with Gingerbread, and we're excited about the modern facilities that have been made possible by Senco," said Newlin. Newlin noted that the ROE's Pre-K Director, Christie Butcher, worked tirelessly to forge new relationships that have blossomed into new collaborative opportunities for the Pre-K students served by the program. "Christie is a dynamo with a heart for kids and a passion for meeting their individual needs. Her efforts, especially over this summer, have yielded something special for the kids of our community."

An open house will be scheduled in the weeks to come. For more information about ROE 12's Pre-K Programs, visit the Regional Services page at [www.roe12.org](http://www.roe12.org) or contact Christie Butcher at 618.544.2719.



## New Pre-K Location Highlighted on Local News

NEWS

### 'It is a new place to make new memories' Illinois pre-k program calls construction company site home

Tuesday, August 29th 2017, 10:37 pm CDT by Alia Blackburn



WTHI-TV News10 recently spotlighted the move of the ROE 12 Crawford County Pre-K Program to its new facilities at the Senco Training Center in Robinson. Education Reporter Alia Blackburn interviewed Pre-K Director Christy Butcher, teachers Kimberly Kocher and ShellB Yates for the story. (See above article).

You can view the story in its entirety at this link: <http://www.wthitv.com/story/36247008/it-is-a-new-place-to-make-new-memories-illinois-pre-k-program-calls-construction-company-site-home>

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