

Regional Office of Education #12

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

Monte Newlin, Regional Superintendent of Schools

Quarterly Report of Activities

March - May 2022

Bus Driver Trainings

Number Initial Trainings	Number of Initial Training Participants	Number Refresher Trainings	Number of Refresher Training Participants
2	7	0	NA

Compliance (Public School Recognition)

Compliance Visits
5

Early Childhood Services

Number of Sites	Number of Classrooms	Number of Sessions	Total Students Enrolled	Number of Family Outreach/ Parent Education Events
4	6	9	159	11

Educator Licensure

Type	Total
Total Licenses Issued	51
Total Educators Registered	155
Total Licenses Registered	157
Total Educator PEL Endorsements Issued	24
New Substitute Authorizations Issued	8
Re-Issued Substitute Authorizations (Renewals)	0
Total Substitute Licenses Registered	19
Total Educator License with Stipulations (ELs - Paraprofessionals) Issued	12

Fingerprinting Services for Criminal History Record Information (CHRI)

Number of Persons Fingerprinted
113

Health Life/Safety

Building Inspections Conducted	Building Permits Issued	Occupancy Permits Issued	Demolition Permits Issued	Amendments Processed	Ten Yr Surveys Processed	Maintenance Grant Apps Processed
11	6	0	0	4	0	0

High School Equivalency Verifications (GED Records)

Number of Records Requests/Verifications
56

Home School Registrations

Number of Registrations
1

Homeless Services

Number of Students Served	Staff Trainings and Monitoring Events	Estimated Number of Participants in Staff Trainings
572	2	7

Instructional Coaching Services

Number of Visits	Number of Participating Districts	Number of Teachers Coached
2	1	2

Professional Development

Number of Events/Trainings	Number of Participants
8	85

Regional Board of School Trustees

Meetings	Action
1	1 Petition for Detachment/Annexation Approved

Right Track Truancy Program

Truancy Review Board (TRB) Mtgs	Court Cases	Student Intervention Meetings	Home Visits	School Admin Contacts	TRB Summons Delivered
10	6	36	0	160	33

Short-Term Substitute Teacher Trainings

Number of Events/Trainings	Number of Participants
1	7

Student Events/Programs

Number of Events	Number of Participants
0	NA

Student Work Permits

Number of Permits Issued
45

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

Number of Students Enrolled in Truant Alternative	Number of Students Enrolled in Safe School
19	26

University Cohorts - EIU Graduate Courses Offered Through ROE #12

Current Number of EIU Courses In Progress	Total Number of Enrollees
2	13

Activities of the Regional Superintendent

Date	Activity
Mar 1, 2022	IASB Wabash Valley Spring Division Meeting in Robinson
Mar 2, 2022	Meeting with ROE's Risk Management Agent in Robinson
Mar 8-9, 2022	IARSS General Membership Meetings in Springfield
Mar 16, 2022	IARSS Area VI Meeting in Robinson
Mar 21, 2022	Presented Regional Supt's CLASS Award to Robinson Walmart in Robinson
Mar 31, 2022	Southern Illinois Law and Leadership Conference in Carbondale
Apr 4, 2022	Presented Regl Supt's CLASS Award to Lawrence Cnty Kids' Shopping Day in Lawrenceville
Apr 7, 2022	ISBE Bimonthly Conference (Virtual)
Apr 11, 2022	Regional Board of School Trustees Meeting in Robinson
Apr 21, 2022	ISBE Bimonthly Conference (Virtual)
Apr 21, 2022	Illinois Virtual School and Academy Open House (Virtual)
Apr 27, 2022	Interview Candidate for Early Childhood Director Position in Robinson
May 3, 2022	IARSS General Membership Meetings in Springfield
May 4, 2022	Administrators Academy in Moline
May 11, 2022	IARSS Area VI Meeting in Murphysboro
May 16, 2022	ROE 12 Staff Meeting in Robinson
May 17, 2022	ROE 12 Executive Committee Meeting in Robinson
May 17, 2022	ROE 12 ASSIST TAOEP Grant Planning Meeting in Robinson
May 19, 2022	ISBE Bimonthly Conference (Virtual)

Regional Superintendent's Mileage

Total Miles
2343

Note: Many of our services are driven by the school calendar; thereby, reflecting varying numbers from report to report. The COVID-19 Pandemic continues to impact our numbers for historical comparison purposes.

ROE #12 Events of Note

ROE 12 Early Childhood Director Presents at Career Day

Our Early Childhood Director Ann Oswalt presented March 9th at the Twin Rivers Career Fair at Lincoln Trail College. She shared her enthusiasm for and information about careers in Pre-K with 8th and 10th Graders from Crawford and Lawrence County!



Robinson Walmart Recognized with Regional Superintendent's CLASS Award

Regional Superintendent of Schools Monte Newlin was honored to present the latest CLASS Award to Robinson Walmart #422.

The Robinson Walmart recently donated a palate load of three-ring binders to the ROE's Homeless Student program, providing an essential item to students who, through circumstance, can least afford school supplies. One of the missions of the local Regional Office of Education is to assist students who qualify as homeless, with temporary housing and living assistance in order to increase their chances of school success at a most difficult time.

The Regional Superintendent's CLASS (Community Leaders Assisting Student Success) Awards Program was inaugurated in June of 2015 for the purpose of spotlighting local business and community entities that have made a positive contribution to the schools of our five-county region; contributions that directly impact student success in the classroom. To date, this school year, ROE 12 has served over 500 students in Clay, Crawford, Jasper, Lawrence, and Richland counties with housing insecurity issues. Learn more about the McKinney-Vento Homeless Student Assistance Program on our website at http://www.roe12.org/crbst_19.html.



Pictured below are (L-R):

*ROE 12 School Services Director
Roselene Quick, Robinson Walmart
Manager Tommy Arnold, and Regional
Superintendent
Monte Newlin*

Kids' Shopping Day of Lawrence County Recognized with Regional Superintendent's CLASS Award

Regional Superintendent Monte Newlin was proud to present Kids' Shopping Day of Lawrence County with a well-deserved CLASS Award on April 4th in Lawrenceville. Kids Shopping Day of Lawrence County is a ministry that began in 2006 to help the children and families of Lawrence County with the "beginning of school" expenditures. All Lawrence County children attending Pre-K through High School are welcome to attend the annual event.

Kids' Shopping Day is held at Central Christian Church in Lawrenceville on the first Saturday in August of every year. The entire Church is transformed into a shopping mall, including dressing rooms, alteration room, and a hair salon. Each child receives two outfits, six pair of underwear, six pair of socks, and a new pair of tennis shoes. In addition to the clothes and shoes, each child also receives a backpack of their choosing filled with age appropriate school supplies; a bag full of hygiene items and a New Testament Bible presented by the Gideons. A free haircut by area hair stylists is also offered to all children.

It takes a whole year of planning, shopping, fundraising, and lots of volunteers to make the annual event a success. Preparations for the next year's event begin immediately after the end of the current event. KSD averages approximately 500 children each year. The cost of providing these essentials to the children of Lawrence County, is funded by generous donations from the community and various fundraisers (annual pancake breakfast; Father/Daughter Dance; Southern Illinois Spring Classic 5k/Half Marathon; Potato Bar/Auction, etc.) held throughout the year.

"Students can't be expected to learn to their potential without the essentials, and Kids Shopping Day is an excellent example of neighbors helping neighbors to ensure local students are ready to learn. The tireless efforts of groups such as Kids Shopping Day make our local schools second to none." said Regional Superintendent Newlin.



Pictured above are (L-R): Heidi Sutherland, President of KSD; Regional Superintendent Monte Newlin; and Marla Fiscus, KSD Secretary

ROE 12 Provides Training to Local Teachers in Using the Latest Instructional Technology



Educators representing eight local school districts received instruction on April 12th in the applications of the use of drone technology in the classroom at ROE 12's DroneSchool 101. Ben Sondgeroth from the Learning Technology Center of Illinois instructed teachers in the basics of flying a drone as well as the applications for classroom use for learning enhancement.

Rain caused the afternoon practical application to be moved from the ROE's parking lot to Robinson High School's gym, where late in the day, some RHS students got a drone's eye view through virtual reality headsets.

Future learning technology workshops planned by the ROE include instruction in the use of 3D printers, including a 3D printer that can create copies of itself!

She's flying a drone!

ROE 12's Buster the Bus Teaches Kids About Bus Safety

ROE 12's Buster the Bus has been busy lately. He came to play at the Robinson Public Library's Story Hour on April 27th (pictured) and was also present at our Storybrooke Pre-K and Unit 2's Get Set Touch-A-Truck Family Engagement Activity at Washington Grade School in Robinson on March 29th. He's made some new friends and got to tell a lot of great kids all about school bus safety! Buster is an interactive animatronic educational device (but he thinks he's just a small bus).



**ROE 12
Salutes our
Administrative
Professionals**

April 27th was Administrative Professionals' Day. We've got the best at ROE 12. They serve their counties well! Thank you, ladies!!



(Clockwise starting top left): Jana Baker, Richland County; Crystal Smith, Clay County; Amy Frohning, Jasper County; Beth Tarr, Crawford County; Tammy Hertenstein, Clay & Lawrence Counties



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Region 12 Update: 5/23/22



Welcome Ann Oswalt, Region 12 Manager

We are so excited to welcome Ann Oswalt as the new Region 12 Manager. From the beginning, Ann has been an enthusiastic partner in helping identify and recruit individuals from Region 12 for membership on the Regional Council. Ann has worked in and around early childhood for the past 30 years. Previously she was a paraprofessional and teacher for Head Start, a home visitor for a Prevention Initiative program, a Family Advocate, and most recently, the Director of a Preschool for All program. Ann is an active volunteer with multiple community organizations. She obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree from Eastern Illinois University and holds a Master of Education degree in Early Childhood Administration from National Louis University. Ann lives in Robinson, Illinois with her husband and teenager. **With Ann at the helm, Region 12 is in great hands!**

WAY TO GO!

Region 12 Communities Respond to Request for Council Members

Following the last update, Regional 12 community members responded by submitting Council Interest forms that helped fill important gaps. **As of today we have received 16 Interest forms. These include 4 from Clay county, 5 from Crawford County, 2 from Jasper County, 2 from Lawrence County and 3 from Richland county. Interest forms are still being accepted.** Gaps in sector representation include elected officials and higher education. Interest forms can still be found on the Birth to Five website at <https://www.birthtofiveil.com/action>

Final selection of Council members is scheduled to be completed by mid-June 2022.

Families are still needed to serve on the Region 12 Family Council. Only 2 Interest Forms have been received to date. We are continuing to look for a diverse group of parents/family members caring for a child under the age of 8 who are passionate about creating more opportunities for young children and families in your region. To learn more or submit an Interest Form go to <https://www.birthtofiveil.com/councils/#family>.

**Congratulations to Our Early Childhood Director,
Ann Oswalt!**

May 26th was a bittersweet day for us here at the ROE, as it was Ann Oswalt's last day as our Early Childhood Director. Ann is leaving ROE 12 to take the position of Region 12 Manager for the Illinois Birth to Five initiative, less commonly known as INCCRRA (Illinois Network of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies). Ann started with us in 2018 as the Family Advocate for our Pre-K Program and advanced to Director the following year.

While we are sad to see her leave, she won't be a stranger, as she'll still be local and will still work with our local Early Childhood programs and staff. We're excited for this new opportunity for her and can't wait to partner and collaborate (Ann's favorite word) with her and INCCRRA to make our outstanding Pre-K programs even better!

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