

Regional Office of Education #21

Franklin – Johnson – Massac – Williamson Counties

Lorie LeQuatte, Regional Superintendent of Schools

Quarterly Report of Activities
January 1 – March 31, 2021

DATE: April 5, 2021

TO: Franklin, Johnson, Massac, Williamson County Boards

FROM: Lorie LeQuatte, Regional Superintendent of Schools for Franklin,
Johnson, Massac, and Williamson Counties

SUBJECT: Quarterly Report

As Superintendent of the Regional Office of Education 21, Franklin, Johnson, Massac, and Williamson County Illinois, I hereby submit the Quarterly Report of activities of this office from January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021. This report is an overview and is not inclusive of all the services and collaborative partnerships the Regional Office of Education provides as an educational leader for the benefit of the schools and citizens of our region. This report uses information from end of month reports of our programs and services from end of quarter school reports from the Illinois State Board of Education website to make this Quarterly Report as comprehensive as possible. We hope it will help you better understand the work our office and the educators of our region provide to ensure our schools are safe and nurturing places of learning where all people are valued and respected. [Article 3 of the School Code of Illinois (105 ILCS 5/3-5)]

School Districts and Cooperatives Served by ROE #21

Franklin County School Districts	Johnson County School Districts	Massac County School District	Williamson County School District
Akin CCSD 91	Buncombe SD 43	Massac CUSD1	Carterville CUSD 5
Benton CCSD 47	Cypress SD 64	Joppa-Maple Grove CUSD 38	Crab Orchard CUSD 99
Benton CHSD 103	Goreville CUSD 1		Herrin CUSD 4
Christopher CUSD 99	New Simpson Hill SD 32		Johnston City CUSD 1
Ewing-Northern CCSD 115	Vienna ESD 55		Marion CUSD 2
Frankfort CUSD 168	Vienna HSD 13-3		
Sesser-Valier CUSD 196			
Thompsonville CUSD 174			
Zeigler-Royalton CUSD 188			
Cooperatives			
Five County Regional Vocational System			
Franklin County Regional Delivery System for Career and Technical Education			
Franklin-Jefferson Special Education District			
JAMP Special Education Services			
Williamson County Special Education Services (Special Education/CTE/Early Childhood)			
Private Schools			
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic School			
St. John's Catholic School			
Unity Christian School			

General Statistics for Region 21

Number of ROE 21 Public School Districts	22
Number of ROE 21 Public School Buildings	56
Number of Special Education Cooperatives	3
Number of Private Schools	3
Number of K-12 Students Region 21 (<i>public schools only</i>)	20,666
Number of Public School Administrators	107
Number of Public School Teachers	1352

Educator Licensure

Type of License	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Total
Educators Registered	162	73	90		
Licenses Registered	167	73	96		
Substitute Teachers Registered	33	45	39		
Licenses Issued	752	60	64		
Endorsements Granted	13	18	25		
Paraprofessional Licenses Issued	55	6	7		

Bus Driver Trainings

	Initial Trainings Held	Driver's Served in Initial Training	Refresher Trainings Held	Driver's Served in Refresher Training
Quarter 1	2	13	5	211
Quarter 2	2	22	2	7
Quarter 3	2	11	3	36
Quarter 4				
TOTAL				

Substitute Teacher Listing-Quarter 3

ROE #21 hosts a substitute teacher listing for the schools in the four counties. This listing is updated daily for accurate information. To be included in this list potential substitute teachers must go through a training focused on best practices and what to expect.

378 individuals are listed on the ROE #21 Substitute Teacher Listing

Fingerprinting

Fingerprinting by County	Qtr. 1 July 2020 -Sept 2020	Qtr. 2 Oct 2020 -Dec 2020	Qtr.3 Jan 2021 -March 2021	Qtr. 4 April 2021 -June 2021	Totals
Franklin	70	52	44		166
Johnson	37	16	10		63
Massac	91	42	34		167
Williamson	154	69	79		302
TOTALS	352	179	167		698

High School Equivalency

	Number of HSE Tests Administered	Number of HSE Certificates Earned	Number of GED Transcripts/Requests
Quarter 1		15	66
Quarter 2	-	7	55
Quarter 3	--	--	15
Quarter 4	---	---	---
TOTAL		15	66

Homeschool Registrations

Franklin	Johnson	Massac	Williamson
2	0	21	17

The rise in Homeschool registrations is due to COVID 19.

Student Work Permits

Work Permits Issued
0

Area VI McKinney-Vento Federal Homeless Grant

**ROE 21 operates as the Fiscal Agent for this grant in the Southern 27 counties that make up Area VI of the Illinois Association of Regional Superintendents (LARSS) ROE 21, 20, 13, 30. Our Grant Coordinator oversees 146 Lead Liaisons throughout the southern 7 counties.

Kids Foundation Program

County	Homeless Students Identified/Served (July 2020 – March 2021)
Franklin	403
Johnson	118
Massac	85
Williamson	452
TOTALS FOR ROE 21	1058
TOTALS FOR AREA VI	4547

Families Served in Franklin and Williamson Counties (July 1, 2020– March 30, 2021)	40
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** Illinois State Board of Education has contracted with an online training program, *Kickstand*, for the 2020-2021 school year. ROE #21 will be following up with in person trainings as requested.

Coats 4 Kids, Inc.

The Coats 4 Kids, Inc. Program is a collaborative effort of ROE 30, ROE 21, and ROE 20 to provide clothing for students in need living in 17 counties in Southern Illinois. The Egyptian Building Trades is the primary funding organization and the Coats for Kids Golf Scramble held every year in the summer as their main fundraising event. The Coats 4 Kids Program is an outstanding example of the community agencies and school districts working together for the betterment of our students in Southern Illinois. Unfortunately, this summer we were unable to host the Coats for Kids Golf Scramble. However, due to donations we were able to provide \$12,000 of support for the students of ROE 30, 21, and 20. *Thank you!*

	ROE 21 Students	ROE 20 Students	ROE 30 Students
Funds Distributed	4,063.27	\$1,750.80	\$0
# of Students Served	48	35	0

Regional Board of School Trustees, ex-officio Secretary Regional Superintendent

Meetings	Action
1	Set dates for 2020-2021

Dates for 2020-2021 always fall on the first Monday of July, October, January, and April and can be found on our website at www.roe21.org.

Current members of the Regional Board of School Trustees

Member	County of Residence	County Served	Term Expires	Office Held
Jean Chamness		Franklin	May 2025	Board Member
David Goss		Franklin	May 2023	Board Member
Wesley Lehman		Williamson	May 2022	Board Member
Lou Parker		Johnson	May 2023	Board Member
Marleis Trover		Johnson	May 2025	Board Member

Shawn Tuthill	Williamson	May 2023	President
VACANT	Massac		

By state law, the members of the Regional Board will appoint a person to fill the vacant seat for Massac County. The appointee is required to live in Massac County since all other counties are represented on the board.

To be eligible to serve on the RBST, a person must live in the territory of ROE #21, be qualified to vote in the election for members of the RBST (live in the 22 public school districts overseen by ROE #21). In addition, members cannot serve as a member of a local school board, be a school board employee, or who holds any county office. Details may be found on our website at www.roe21.org.

Partnership Against Chronic Truancy (PACT) Intervention Program

Attendance Matters Every Day for Every Student at Every School

Students Served Jan –March 2021	Franklin County	Johnson County	Massac County	Williamson County
Student Monitoring (Referrals)	47	37	26	123
Student Intervention Meetings/School Visits	26	31	40	88
Student Intervention Correspondence (Letters and phone calls)	42	40	36	116
Truancy Review Board (State's Attorney/Social Service Agencies, and school personnel)	0	7	11	26
Court Cases (Cases being monitored/new cases opened)	2	6	0	16
Home Visits	28	4	18	9
School Administration Contacts	25	35	48	45
Total Students on Caseload	155	74	71	482

Truancy Staff

Franklin County Truancy Interventionist: Alicia Eubanks

Williamson Interventionist: Alicia Eubanks

Johnson and Massac County Truancy Interventionist: Jeff Bink, Truancy Coordinator

Social Worker: Crystal Newcomb

****Truant Alternative and Optional Education Program (TAOEP) grant which ROE 21 uses to operate its truancy program**

**The Truancy Program is adjusting our program to focus on early intervention into truancy issues for students, by educating students and families as to the educational and social consequences of missing even 2 days of school per month. Our goal will be to identify the reasons for truancy and to provide supports to overcome barriers the family or student may be experiencing. With the new grant we can now provide the education portion of the Truancy Grant for junior high students.

Health Life Safety (HLS)

Buildings Inspected	Building Permits Issued	Occupancy Permits Issued	Completion Permits Issued	10-Year Surveys Processed	Maintenance Grant Apps Processed
11	4	0	1		

Compliance Visits (Recognition of Schools)

Compliance Visits
Buncombe, Crab Orchard, Christopher, Herrin, Vienna Grade School

The ROE also completed ISBE Required Professional Development Audits for all 22 school districts this year.

Regional Safe School and Alternative Education

Due to the continuing threat of COVID 19 the Illinois State Board of Education has required school districts to implement Return to Learning Plans at the beginning of the school year. Ours can be found on our website under Alternative Learning @ www.roe21.org. The students are allowed to choose either in person learning or remote learning. Most of the students attending our alternative and safe school programs are attending in person. The staff has continued to learn and implement trauma informed practices and activities for the students. The staff has implemented an Affirmation Station at the school, which is a great way to build up students. Remote Learning for staff and students is an ongoing process. Staff are training regularly on delivering digital lessons as well as trying to meet the rising need for social and emotional support of our students.

Digital Equity Formula Grant has allowed Project ECHO and STARQuest Academy to become a 1:1 school district. The grant was approved, and the laptops and hotspots have been purchased and distributed to the students.

The ECHO Juvenile Detention Education Program has implemented the use of an online curriculum, Edgenuity, for the students.

	S.T.A.R.Quest RSSP North Students Being Served	S.T.A.R.Quest RSSP South Students Being Served	E.C.H.O. Alternative School Students Being Served	Juvenile Detention Center Program Students Being Served
Quarter 1	0	8	71	29
Quarter 2	2	11	58 In person/ 24 Remote Learners	17
Quarter 3	3	9 In person 1 Remote Learner	75 In person/ 36 Remote Learners	21
Quarter 4				
Number of Licensed Staff	2	2	9	3

Historically structural inequities have placed some of our children in situations of greater stress, trauma, and violence. Thus, trauma-informed practice that heals kids exemplifies equitable practice. I want to highlight Resilient Southern Illinois, one partnership that is supporting this healing by addressing students' unique needs. The innovative collaboration includes the Poshard Foundation for Abused Children, Illinois Education Association and Partnership for Resilience, and more than 15 school districts in Southern Illinois. Educators and staff in participating schools are provided with ongoing training and resources as they build relationships to support students experiencing trauma and nurture students' social-emotional development.

Resilient Southern Illinois speaks to the necessity of being in deeper relationships to care for the whole child, whole school, and whole community. Children are not preordained to be defined by their trauma. Mitigating buffers and protective factors can help children heal and overcome any ACEs score. People read over trauma-informed practice and do not understand how fundamentally important it is. Trauma-informed classrooms are places where all children are getting their needs met. We firmly believe that trauma-informed practice benefits every single child *and adult* in the classroom and in the school.

Our alternative and safe schools are partnering with Resilient Southern Illinois, where our staff participates in training and the implementation of trauma informed practices. We are transforming our schools with the knowledge and best practices to meet the social emotional and educational needs to best support our students.

Professional Development

Number of Events/Trainings October 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020	Number of Participants
13	150

**** In person training was halted due to the Stay at Home order issued by the Governor regarding COVID19. All Sessions are continuing to be provided virtually.**

DATE OF TRAINING	TRAINING	NUMBER OF PARTIPANTS
January 6, 2021	IL-Masonic Co-Teaching Strategies	18

January 7, 2021	Short-Term Substitute Teacher Training	22
January 8, 2021	PERA Evaluations	8
January 22, 2021	Applying The Flipped Classroom Model to the In-Person/Remote	12
January 29, 2021	IL Masonic Basic Restorative Practices	7
February 5, 2021	Designing Remote Learning Day Activities for Educators	9
February 9, 2021	Short-Term Substitute Teacher Training	9
February 26, 2021	AA 3782 Problem Solving & Collective Bargaining	5
March 3, 2021	IL Masonic AA #1374 Suicide Prevention	26
March 5, 2021	Google Forms and Google Meet	6
March 26, 2021	SIH Coaches Clinic	23
March 30 & 31	AA 2000 Initial Principal Evaluation Training	5

Instructional Coaching Cohorts

The Regional Office of Education #21 has offered leadership opportunities in instructional coaching for our local educators. Instructional Coaching is peer-to-peer coaching that encourages teachers to work together by observing one another during instruction, accessing and reflecting on what was observed, and then deciding what questions can be asked or what information should be shared to move teacher forward professionally. Dr. Kelly D. Stewart of McKendree University and former Superintendent in our region, facilitates the training sessions throughout the year based on the work of Jim Knight focused on six domains:

1. *Adult learning*
2. *Instructional coaching cycle*
3. *Using video recordings to gather data*
4. *Instructional practices described in an instructional playbook*
5. *Communication skills*
6. *Leadership skills*

ROE #21 is in its Third Instructional Coaching Cohort! (Virtual)

For school year 2020-2021 the Instructional Coaching Cohort #3 has 21 Coaches participating in training.

School Districts & ROEs Participating in Cohort #3:

- Harrisburg School District
- Mt. Vernon High School District
- Project ECHO Alternative School
- Zeigler-Royalton School District
- Instructional Coaches from ROE #33

2020-2021 Training Dates:

September 18, 2020
 October 16, 2020
 November 20, 2020
 December 11, 2021
 January 15, 2021
 February 19, 2021
 April 16, 2021

ROE #21 is currently training 53 coaches throughout 7 of our districts.

IL Empower 2.0 (New)

Regional Office of Education #21 has been chosen to be the IL Empower 2.0 Hub for Area VI. IL-EMPOWER provides school improvement where schools, districts, partners, and the state work collaboratively to promote shifts in practice based on each school's improvement needs. IL Empower builds capacity in the areas of Governance & Management, Curriculum & Instruction, and Climate & Culture. Consultants through ROE #21 work with districts to provide individualized professional development to our underperforming districts.

Vision 20/20 Report

From Vision to Action educational entities around the state have worked collaboratively to address the concerns of our district leaders to address equity in education and opportunities for continuous improvement. Specifically, four priorities were identified to have profound impact on public education: highly effective educators, 21st Century learning, shared accountability, and equitable and adequate funding. Regional Offices of Education have been a strong partner in advocating the four priorities as well as developing highly effective educators and leaders. The report for FY20 can be found by following the link below. <https://files.constantcontact.com/02c2f3ef001/3f976531-aaf3-4a94-ad5b-4a85ff0cfa56.pdf>

Educator Shortage Report for FY20 (New)

The Illinois Association of Regional Superintendents of Schools (IARSS) is excited to give you an initial look at our latest much-anticipated yearly study of Illinois' teacher shortage problem. Our full study, analysis and policy recommendations was publicly released and promoted in early 2021. But in the meantime, we have built this exciting online dashboard to give you deep insight into the latest Fall 2020 survey results. You can find the full report by visiting the IARSS webpage at <https://iarss.org/educator-shortage/>.

Grow Your Own Grant (GYO) (New)

In collaboration with SIU Carbondale students in the Teacher Education Program receive support from the Regional Office of Education through purchasing laptops, software, and professional development. GYO candidates complete a traditional four-year college bachelor's degree in education. For those candidates who already have a bachelor's degree, they complete a master's in education or take the additional courses required to earn their teaching certification. GYO candidates must satisfy all the state requirements to become licensed teachers. GYO is not an alternative certification program. GYO candidates receive financial, academic, and emotional supports to assist them in completing their degrees. In return for the support provided by the program, GYO graduates commit to teaching at least five years in a high-needs school or in a high-needs teaching position. Currently ROE 21 and SIUC are supporting 9 students.

Elevating Special Educators Grant

The Elevating Special Educators Grant is a federally funded grant focused on mentoring teachers. This grant will focus on professional development on high leverage special education practices in the field of early literacy. Professional development will support collaboration between teachers, parents, and other service providers as well as allow teachers to choose the professional development opportunities that meet their needs and the needs of their school communities. Interviews are underway to staff the final regional specialist.

The support staff for ROE #21 are located in each county office. Below are some of the contacts they make with the public on a daily basis through various forms of communication.

ROE Service	Phone Calls	Office Visits	EMAILS
Annexation/Detachment RBST	3		
Bus Driver Training	44	2	24
ECHO/STARQuest Alternative and RSSP	4	6	
Fingerprinting	251	156	30
High School Equivalency	145	35	38
Home School Registration	12	9	2
Licensure	111	25	116
MKV	1		
Professional Development	7		
Substitute Teacher List	72	11	45
Truancy	68	1	102
Work Permits	17	1	11

Community Prevention Resources

(CPR) is a comprehensive grant-funded program by the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide substance abuse prevention services to communities in Franklin and Saline counties. The Regional Office of Education #21 serves as the administrative agent for the program, and funds two full-time employees: Kate West, Director & Samantha Lampley, Prevention Specialist.

This quarter has been especially busy this year at Community Prevention Resources. We had a unique opportunity to partner with WSIU Public Broadcasting to help our Youth Advisory Committee develop a project for National Prevention Week (NPW). National Prevention Week is a health awareness week set for the third week of May. Eldorado Middle School students will bring awareness to fellow students, parents, and their community regarding Preventing Prescription and Opioid Misuse (May 10) and Preventing Underage Drinking and Alcohol Misuse (May 11).

Approximately 350 of the 475 expected students have received the youth prevention curriculum Generation RX. The rest of the students will have the chance to participate after spring break.

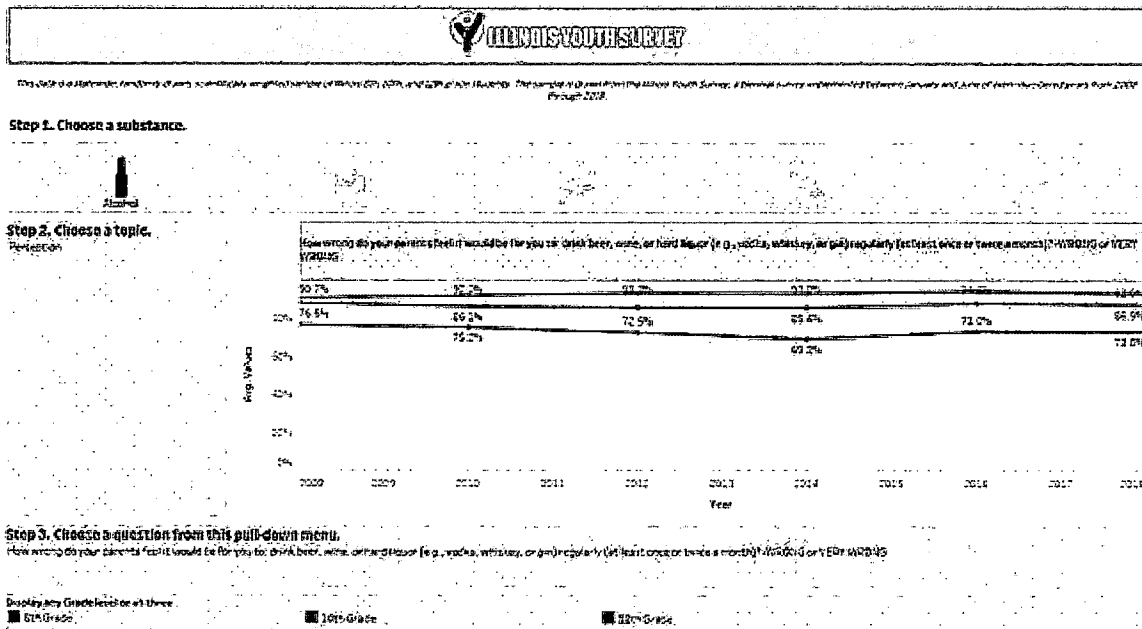
We have been preparing for the DEA's 20th National Drug Take Back Day on April 24, 2021 and will be promoting the event locations and creating awareness about the importance of this service. At the last Take Back Day in October, the DEA collected a record-high amount of expired, unwanted, and unused prescription medications, with the public turning in close to 500 tons of unwanted drugs. Over the 10-

year span of Take Back Day, DEA has brought in more than 6,800 tons of prescription drugs. With studies indicating a majority of abused prescription drugs come from family and friends, including from home medicine cabinets, clearing out unused medicine is essential, and this service makes a difference.

We have been spreading the word about the new Data Visualization Tool (https://iys.cprd.illinois.edu/results/data_visualization) that The University of Illinois Center for Prevention Research and Development has developed for the Illinois Youth Survey (IYS). This tool allows administrators to easily look at trends in substance use behaviors and perceptions from the statewide sample and download the calculated data and graphics in various formats.

This particular example shows trend data broken down by grade regarding students' perceptions of their parents' opinion.

- This graph is calculated for the answer “WRONG or VERY WRONG” to the question: “How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to drink beer, wine, or hard liquor (e.g. vodka, whiskey, or gin) regularly (at least once or twice a month)?



IYS data can help administrators better understand their students' home life, social needs, school culture, substance use, etc., and is intended to inform school and community programming, grant writing, and overall awareness. We want to help administrators make the most of the information the students have shared.

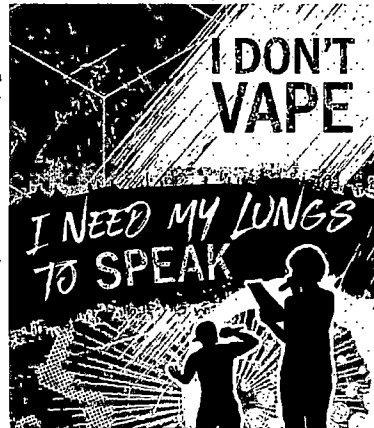
We rolled out a new state-designed vaping prevention communication campaign at Eldorado High School, while continuing to implement our locally-designed underage drinking prevention campaigns for local middle students and parents (Use Your Cube and The Elephant Is In The Room).

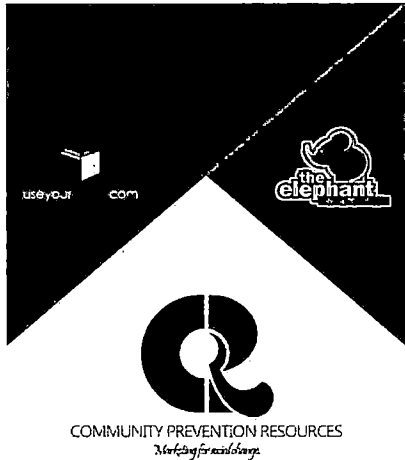
WHAT DO YOU NEED YOUR LUNGS FOR?

HERE AT CPR, WE NEED OUR LUNGS TO TELL YOU ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ELDORADO HIGH SCHOOL.

Youth Tobacco Use and Vaping in Illinois used the Illinois Youth Survey (IYS) data to confirm that cigarette use among high school seniors has declined steadily from approximately 21% in 2008 to slightly more than 5% in 2018, but unfortunately vaping has increased at an alarming rate. In 2018 19.2% of high school seniors reported using e-cigarettes in the last 30 days, and by 2019 that percentage increased to 25.7%. According to the Center for Prevention Research and Development, "This is one of the most dramatic annual changes in youth substance use trends the IYS has ever measured." It is clear that young people have misinformation about vaping, with 12.1% of Illinois seniors finding no risk associated with e-cigarette use. ³

Eldorado High School has decided to take action, and partner with Community Prevention Resources to help increase awareness and pro-social protective factors amongst Eldorado teens. A new anti-vaping communication campaign targeting high school students began February 2021.





SCHOOL	On site
West Frankfort Central Junior High	11
Eldorado Middle School	14
Harrisburg Middle School	6
Eldorado High School	3
Total Visits	34

Franklin County Regional Delivery System for Career and Technical Education (FCRDS-CTE)

Education for Employment #525

FJMW Regional Office of Education serves as Fiscal Agent for the Franklin County Regional Delivery System for Career and Technical Education cooperative. The programs are funded by the Career and Technical Education Consolidated Grant, formerly the Federal Perkins Grant and State of Illinois Career and Technical Education Initiative Grant. Cooperating school districts include Benton Consolidated H.S., Christopher H.S., Frankfort Community H.S., Sesser-Valier H.S., Thompsonville H.S., and Zeigler-Royalton H.S.

Mr. George Hopkins serves as the Director of the FCRDS, whose IL State Board of Education identification is Education for Employment # 525. (EFE 525). Mrs. Jan Farkas serves as Administrative Assistant.



The FCRDS-EFE 525 is governed by the FCRDS Board of Control, which consists of Franklin County school superintendents and the ROE 21 Regional Superintendent. ROE 21 serves as the entity's fiscal agent.

The Franklin County Regional Delivery System supports programs in Agricultural Education, Business, Marketing, and Computer Education, Family and Consumer Sciences, Technology and Engineering, Health Science Technology.

Programs are supported through state and federal grants designed to supplement CTE programs. Allowable expenditures for these grants include: Instructional materials, instructional equipment (capital outlay); partial salary payments to districts to help ensure affordability of qualified instruction; tutorial services for students; and professional learning activities for CTE teachers.

The Franklin County Regional Delivery System-EFE 525 also provides supplemental funds for Elementary (K-8) Career Exploration programs and materials at Akin CCSD 91, Benton CCSD 47, Christopher CUSD 99, Ewing-Northern CCSD 115, Frankfort CUSD 168, Sesser-Valier CUSD 196, Thompsonville CUSD 174, and Zeigler-Royalton CUSD 188.

FCRDS-EFE 525 conducts Workshops and hosts ISBE-sponsored professional learning activities for educators in Franklin and neighboring counties per CTE/Perkins Programs of Study requirements. FCRDS-EFE 525 prepares and submits to the Illinois State Board of Education various reports regarding program operation, assessment, and improvement.

Until COVID-19 affected educational process, FCRDS-EFE 525 operated two "Regional" CTE classes available to Franklin County students:

Construction Trade Class, which provided a double-period class on all areas of construction, and

Entrepreneurial Class—nicknamed the EDGE Program, an acronym for “Entrepreneurial Development, Growth, and Education” the study of entrepreneurship ...creating and operating a business. This class was mostly funded by Franklin Co Regional Economic Development Corporation (FREDCO), while FCRDS-EFE 525 acted as the educational liaison between that entity and Franklin Co school districts.

Construction Trades Class -- Over the past four years, Construction Trades students have built and sold a Tiny House, constructed items for the Benton Library Garden, including a 12'x16' storage facility, constructed walls and soffits for a non-profit agency, walls and ceilings for offices at new Ewing Village Office, and a 12'x 20' storage facility, among other items. In school year 2019-20, the class assisted Habitat for Humanity by providing labor for that organization's most recent new house, building a front porch, interior walls, running electrical wire, etc.

Entrepreneurial (EDGE) Class -- This entrepreneurial class acquaints students with knowledge and skills necessary to own and operate their own businesses. Topics of the class include economics, marketing principles and strategies, human relations and psychology, business and labor law, legal rights and responsibilities of business ownership, financial planning and accounting, and business communication. Students are required to plan and execute a business plan and operate a bona-fide business.

AS THE COVID PANDEMIC HAS AFFECTED SCHOOLS AND SCHOOLING IN MYRIAD WAYS, THE FCRDS-EFE 525 BOARD OF CONTROL WAS COMPELLED TO CANCEL THESE TWO UNIQUE CLASSES FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR, BUT IT IS CERTAINLY THE INTENT OF THE BOARD TO BRING THESE PROGRAMS BACK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHEN SAFE CONDITIONS RETURN.

NEW EDUCATIONAL OFFERING FOR FY 2021 -- Following approval from ISBE, EFE 525 is piloting an instructional elementary school program in the 2020-2021 school year which will increase CTE “footprint” in lower grades while modeling best instructional practices from the International Technology and Engineering Educators Association (ITEEA) targeted to 6th grade students. EFE 525 will provide an instructor to present lessons to each 6th grade classroom in Franklin County beginning in the spring semester of the 2020-2021 school year.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT -- The six high schools in Franklin County annually approve an agreement that is the basis for FCRDS-EFE525. Per The Open Meetings Act, Illinois St Bd of Education rules, and Board of Control authorization, the FCRDS Director publishes notice of Joint Agreement Budget on review, 30 days in advance of a public hearing that is conducted in August or September of each fiscal year at Regional Office of Education 21 in Benton.

ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 -- Fiscal Year 2021 CTEI Grant Allocation is \$242,000. In order to capture these funds, the newly renovated CTE Consolidated Grant has been written and was approved by ISBE. To date, \$160,000 has been received by FCRDS and is being shared among the school districts in Franklin County per state regulations.

Fiscal Year 2021 Perkins Grant Allocation is \$86,526. This budget, which is now a part of the new CTE Consolidated Grant, has also been prepared and submitted by FCRDS and approved by ISBE. Thus far, \$18,648 has been received/reimbursed for expenses.

During 3rd Quarter of FY 21, FCRDS-EFE 525 has conducted business/attended meetings, and/or planned and delivered professional development programs for Franklin County teachers as follows:

- 1/14/21 - Meeting with statewide EFE Directors about possible CTE rules reform via Zoom
- 1/14/21 - Meeting with Rend Lake College to plan potential Career Fair for 8th graders via Zoom
- 1/20/21 - Attended/chaired Region 6 System Directors' Meeting via Zoom
- 1/25/21 - FCRDS Special Board of Control Meeting via Zoom at 10 a.m.
- 1/28/21 - Area Adult Education Planning Council via Zoom at 2:30 p.m.
- 2/5/21 - Federal Government (SAM.gov) System of Award Management annual FCRDS renewal filed.
- 2/9/21 - Meeting with the Franklin County Economic Development Corporation to discuss changes in the Entrepreneurial Class for SY 21-22
- 2/10/21 - Meeting, via Zoom, with school counselors
- 2/19/21 - Attended IACTE (Illinois Association for Career and Technical Education) conference
- 2/17/21 - Attended/chaired Region 6 System Directors' Meeting via Zoom
- 2/19/21 - Attended IACTE (Illinois Association for Career and Technical Education) conference
- 2/22/21 - Applied and Submitted Innovative Grant
- 2/24/21 - Attended, via Zoom, EFE Data Discussion presentation
- 3/1/21 - Bi-Annual phone audit with David Osborne, EFE 525 Principal Consultant

- 3/2/21 - Review/Evaluation of Programs of Study meeting with Thompsonville High School
- 3/2/21 - Review/Evaluation of Programs of Study meeting with Benton High School
- 3/3/21 - Review/Evaluation of Programs of Study meeting with Zeigler High School
- 3/4/21 - Meeting with STEM teachers A Odle and L Newman at to set up 6th grade STEM lessons in all county schools.
- 3/9/21 - Attended, via Zoom, RLC Auto Technology Advisory Board Committee meeting
- 3/10/21 - Review/Evaluation of Programs of Study meeting with West Frankfort High School
- 3/11/21 - Meeting with superintendents at BUZZ Restaurant for networking session
- 3/15/21 - Review/Evaluation of Programs of Study meeting with Sesser High School
- 3/17/21- Attended/chaired Region 6 System Directors' Meeting via Zoom
- 3/19/21 - Review/Evaluation of Programs of Study meeting with Christopher High School
- 3/22/21 - Attended JAL Accounting and Small Business Advisory Committee meeting
- 3/23/21 - Rend Lake College Advisory Board meeting for Entrepreneurship programs via Zoom at 5:30 p.m.
- 3/25/21 - 3rd Quarter FCRDS Board of Control Meeting at ROE 21 Office at 9 a.m.

ROE #21 Staff

FRANKLIN COUNTY OFFICE		
NAME	COUNTY	POSITION
Lorie LeQuatte	All	Regional Superintendent
Alison Cross	Franklin	Accounting/Internal Control (Bgn. 9/2019)
Suzanne Willmore	Franklin	Licensure / Clerical
Alicia Eubanks	Franklin	Franklin Cty and Williamson Cty Truancy Interventionist / Clerical
George Hopkins	Franklin	Career and Technical Education Vocation System (Retired Part-Time)
Jan Farkus	Franklin	Career and Technical Education Administrative Asst. (Retired PT Bgn. 10/2019)

WILLIAMSON COUNTY OFFICE		
NAME	COUNTY	POSITION
Mandy Horn	Williamson	Asst. Reg. Superintendent
Johna Schullian	Williamson	Comptroller/McKinney Vento Grant Director
Mickey Sullivan	Williamson	Homeless Grant (Retired part-time)
Sandy Hubbard	Franklin	Clerical
Brittany Young	Williamson	Administrative Assistant
Colton Foster	Williamson	Licensure / Williamson and Massac Cty Truancy (Resigned 6/2020)
Jeff Bink	Williamson	HLS/ Truancy Coordinator / Johnson Cty Truancy
Kate West	Williamson	Community Prevention Resources Director
Samantha Lampley	Williamson	Community Prevention Resources Project Manager
Chad Milburn	Williamson	Network Specialist
Crystal Newcomb	Franklin	Social Worker for TAOEP Program (1/4/21)

JOHNSON COUNTY OFFICE

2 days per week

NAME	COUNTY	TITLE
Sheila Meredith	Johnson	Clerical (bgn 8/29/16)

MASSAC COUNTY OFFICE

NAME	COUNTY	TITLE
Janice Barrett	Massac	Clerical
Sheila Meredith	Johnson	Clerical (3 days per week)
Steve Karraker	Massac	Bus Driver Trainer (Retired Part-time) Hourly

PROJECT ECHO ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL

NAME	COUNTY	TITLE
Eddy Henriksen	Williamson	Principal (Bgn 7/2018)
Cortney Hale		Assistant Principal (7/2020)
Deanna Morris	Franklin	Student Services Director
Traci Stroud	Williamson	Administrative Assistant
Donica Melvin	Franklin	School Secretary
Gina Grant	Williamson	Instructor
Kim Howard	Williamson	ELA Instructor (Resigned 6/2020)
Sarah Dubach	Williamson	ELA Instruction (7/2020)
Jesse Kays	Franklin	Math Instructor (Bgn 8/19; Resigned 8/2020)
Jim Toms	Franklin	History Instructor
Renee Lowe	Williamson	Junior High Instructor (Bgn 8/2018)
Gayla Hill	Williamson	ACR Instructor / Aide
Jon Geiger	Williamson	Driver's Education Instructor (Bgn. 8/2018) part time
Penny Barrett		Driver's Education Instructor (Bgn 9/2020) part time
Mario Allois	Franklin	Custodian (Part-time) (Hourly)
Hayley Gendron	Franklin	Junior High Instructor (bgn 3/2020)

STARQUEST ACADEMY SAFE SCHOOL

NAME	COUNTY	TITLE
Eddy Henriksen	Williamson	Director (Bgn 7/2018)
Cortney Hale		Asst. Director (Bgn 7/2020)
Deanna Hamilton	Franklin	Instructor North Campus
Dustin Sievers	Williamson	Instructor North Campus (Bgn 8/2019; Resigned 10/2020)
Jamie Clark	Massac	Instructor South Campus
Molly Stephens	Massac	Teachers' Aide South Campus (Bgn 9/2018)
Wade Stewart	Johnson	Instructor for Regional Safe School Cooperative Education Program (RSSCEP) (Bgn 8/2019; Resigned 6/2020)

ECHO DETENTION CENTER PROGRAM

NAME	COUNTY	TITLE
Jeff Hammonds	Franklin	Instructor promoted to Lead Instructor (1/2018)
Sandra Sorenson	Franklin	Instructor
Mark Smith	Franklin	Teacher Aide Hourly

***Shaded gray have resigned, blue are part time.*

Activities of the Regional Superintendent

Date	Activity
01/04/2021	Hired Social Worker for ROE21 and Partners Against Chronic Truancy Program ERATE Meeting COVID HR updates for ROE21 staff
01/06/2021	Develop Remote Learning Guide for distribution of, care of, and user guidelines to disburse student laptops and hotspots for ECHO and STARQuest Academy Students – Provided from Digital Equity Grant award
01/07/2021	Franklin County Supt. Breakfast meeting Illinois Empower Subcommittee Meeting Illinois Assoc. of Regional School Supt. (IARSS)/Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) Biweekly Go to Meeting Coats for Kids, Inc. Delivery
01/13/2021	Organized information sharing of the Phase 1B COVID Vaccination distribution for educators and school staff
01/19/2021	Partners Against Chronic Truancy (PACT) Program Truancy Review Board meetings Franklin Cty Board Meeting via Webex
01/20/2021	ROE 21 Meeting to work on Partners Against Chronic Truancy Program User Manual Illinois Association of School Administrators (IASA) Egyptian Chapter Meeting – Mt. Vernon
01/21/2021	Franklin County Supt. Breakfast Meeting Elevating Special Educators Grant Organizational/Informational Meeting Illinois Empower Subcommittee meeting Illinois Assoc. of Regional School Supt. (IARSS)/Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) Biweekly Go to Meeting
01/22/2021	ROE Administrative Staff Website Training Virtual Meeting with Erin Sexton, ISBE Student Care Division for Student restraint and timeout guidelines Virtual Meeting with Illinois Learning Technology Executive Director, Tim McIlvain
01/25/2021	Centerstone Board of Control Meeting Office Work
01/26/2021	Responded to FOIA Request
01/27/2021	IARSS AREA VI Meeting
01/28/2021	Franklin County Workman's Compensation Insurance meeting LEAD Grant meeting with Evaluators Work on FEMA PA Appeal
02/01/2021	ROE21 Department Head Staff Meetings

02/02/2021	Illinois Association of School Administrators (IASA) Shawnee Chapter Meeting – Mt. Vernon Update Detachment/Annexation Process forms Visitation of Colleague's wife
02/03/2021	Partners Against Chronis Truancy (PACT) Intervention Staff meeting – continuation of user manual development. Submit Periodic Grant Report for Truants Alternative and Optional Education Grant
02/04/2021	Partners Against Chronis Truancy (PACT) Intervention Staff meeting – continuation of user manual development. All Partner's Virtual Mtg with Illinois State University and other ROE's for the LEAD grant
02/05/2021	ROE 21 Superintendent Meeting
02/06/2021	ROE 21 Initial Bus Driver Training
02/8/2021	PACT Truancy Review Board Meeting
02/09/2021	On Board LEAD Grant Meeting
02/16/2021	Zoom meeting with PACT Staff in preparation for ROE21 Advisory meeting IARSS Educator Shortage Zoom meeting
02/17/2021	ROE 21 Advisory Meeting Truancy Focused
02/18/2021	Budget planning for LEAD Coaches
02/19/2021	Meeting with LEAD Coaching Candidates for ROE21
02/22/2021	LEAD Meeting
02/23/2021	LEAD ROE On Board Meeting PACT Program User Manual Meeting - continuation
02/24/2021	Voter Registration – Franklin County HS with Franklin County Clerk PACT Program User Manual Meeting - continuation
03/01/2021	Release of FY20 IARSS Educator Shortage Survey
03/02/2021	IASA Shawnee Chapter Meeting - SIUC
03/04/2021	Illinois Association of College Teacher Education (IACTE) State Licensure Meeting – Panel Member
03/08/2021	Voter Registration – SV HS with Franklin County Clerk
03/10/2021	IARSS General Committee Meeting
03/11/2021	St. John's Catholic School – Non Public-School Renewal Recognition Visit
03/16/2021	Bushue HR Meeting Prepare and submit FEMA PA Appeal
03/17/2021	SY21 Steering Committee Zoom with ISBE leaders and school leaders in IL Area VI Illinois Association of School Superintendents (IARSS) Meeting – Mt. Vernon, IL
03/18/2021	LEADing Ed Partnership New Coach's Training #2 Training – All Things SOPPA (Student Online Personal Protection Act) Biweekly Call with ISBE and IARSS
03/19/2021	Illinois Learning Technology Training of Illinois Instructional Technology Coaching Opportunities for local districts ISBE Steering call for School Year 2022
03/22/2021	Posted ROE 21 Position openings: Math Teacher, Administrative Assistant, Special Education Teacher, Custodian
03/23/2021	LEAD Grant Zoom meeting Herrin CUSD #4 Compliance visit
03/24/2021	Vienna Grade School #55 Compliance visit Illinois Association of School Administrators (IASA) Mtg – Zoom Resilient Southern Illinois Webinar
03/25/2021	Franklin County Board of Control Board Meeting – CTE Delivery

	Franklin County Safety Meeting – Campbell bldg. Meeting with Non-Public Schools about the Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools (EANS) Grant Zoom call with Senator Fowler for the Illinois Art Education Association and Graduation Requirements Illinois Empower Sub Committee Meeting - Zoom
03/26/2021	Christopher CUSD #99 Compliance visit Meeting with JALC Adult Education Staff
03/29/2021	ROE 21 Licensure Staff meeting
03/30/2021	Elevating Special Educators call with partnering ROE office staff Received final FY20 Audit from Auditor General's office

Grants submitted for FY21

Truant Alternative and Optional Education Program (TAOEP) – ***Awarded and implementing.***
 Digital Equity Formula Grant – Awarded
 Public Assistance Grant through Emergency Management Agency - Awaiting
 Elementary and Secondary Digital Professional Learning Grant – currently awaiting ISBE approval
 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant (CARES Act) - Received
 ROE/ISC Services Grant – Awarded
 McKinney Vento Continuation Grant - Awarded
 Regional Safe Schools Grant -- ***Awarded for STARQuest Academy and currently being implemented.***
 Teacher and Principal Evaluations Grant -- Awarded
 Elevating Special Educators Grant – ***Grant was awarded, and we are currently in the planning stage.***
 Leading While Learning: Supporting Effective Educator Development (Federal SEED Grant) - ***ROE 21 has been identified as a LEAD Hub for Illinois and is in the planning stage of this grant as well.***

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