

EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY & SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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HEAL: Helping Empower all Learners June 6 - 7, 2023, Summer Conference

Educators and staff are invited to attend our second annual conference supporting educator and student mental wellness. The HEAL conference content is focused on mental health and well-being for students and staff to help them students academically. Learning strands include historical trauma, engaging and empowering families, student agency in learning, culture of achievement, trauma informed practices, educating students with anxiety, student supports and services, and staff supports. Deepen your knowledge and skills with content experts and practitioners. <u>Continued on page 3 / HEAL</u>

2023 TEACHER OF THE YEAR

The 2023 Coconino County Teacher of the Year event was held on April 20, 2023, at the Doubletree by Hilton. Emily Fisher of Marshall Elementary was named Teacher of the Year, Josie Teegardin of Mount Elden Middle School was named Rookie Teacher of the Year and Brad Houston of Grand Canyon School was presented the Lifetime Achievement Award. <u>Continued on page 3 / Teacher of the Year</u>



View more photos at <u>https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjAoHUC</u>



TEACHERAGE GRANTS AWARDED!

The Coconino County and Yavapai County Superintendent of Schools offices were pleased to award Teacherage Grants to the following school districts: Bagdad Unified School District, Chino Valley Unified School District, Fredonia-Moccasin Unified School District, Maine Consolidated School District, Page Unified School District, Prescott Unified School District, Sedona-Oak Creek Joint Unified School District, and Sonoita Elementary School District. These districts will use the grant funds to improve existing teacher housing or begin construction on new teacher housing for their district.

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION UPDATE

ADE reported in April 2023, that there are currently 105,478 certified educators in Arizona with an alternative or full teaching certificate. There are 57,643 K-12 teachers in teaching positions in Arizona (47,719 in districts and 9,924 in charters). This means there are 47,835 teachers in Arizona who are not teaching. As of April 18, 2023, there are 51,849 active Empowerment Scholarship Accounts (ESA).



SCIENCE OF READING

The CCESA is working with teachers and school administrators to meet the recent Science of Reading requirement in Arizona. Multiple cohorts of teachers and administrators are currently enrolled in ongoing professional development across the county. Meeting the needs of educators in face-to-face classes and online through virtual cohorts, the CCESA is able to make a large impact in the quality of reading instruction thanks to multiple grants supported by Coconino County, the Arizona Department of Education, and the American Rescue Plan. For more information about possible opportunities to start a cohort, please contact Cate Malone at <u>Cmalone@coconino.az.gov</u>.



Winners with Superintendent Mango-Paget View more photos at <u>https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjAsbqp</u>

COUNTY SPELLING BEE WINNERS

The Coconino County Spelling Bee was held on Saturday, February 11, 2023. Superintendent Cheryl Mango-Paget is pleased to announce the winners of the bee as follows: Calliope Hill of Montessori School of Flagstaff, 1st Place; Ember Evans of Flagstaff Christian School, 2nd Place; James Janik of Mount Elden Middle School, 3rd Place.

Thank you to Stephanie Hammond for serving as our pronouncer again this year! Thank you to our judges Micah Crabdree (Flagstaff Rotary Club), Tanya Christie (Williams Rotary Club) and Clayann Cook (Grand Canyon Rotary Club).





HEAL: Helping Empower All Learners

2023 Summer Conference



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HEAL Keynote speakers:

- Dominique Smith, Ed. D National trainer for the International Institute on Restorative Practices – <u>https://us.corwin.com/en-</u> <u>us/nam/consultant/dominique-b-</u> <u>smith</u>
- Charles Barrett, Ph.D. Leader in the fields of school psychology, author of It's Always about the Children – <u>https://charlesbarrett.org/school–</u> <u>psychology</u>
- Dr. Summer Prather Smith Leader in engaging migrant families. <u>https://rocketpd.com/engaging-</u> <u>migrant-families-dr-summer-</u> <u>prather-smith/</u>

Click <u>www.coconino.az.gov/HEAL23</u> to register now at no cost. Space limited is limited so please forward to your staff to reserve their spot. Coconino County Schools that participate in the Building Resilient Youth and Schools (BRYS) grant will have travel covered at the government rate.

... Teacher of the Year/Continued from page 1 2023 Teacher of the Year Ambassadors of Excellence were awarded to Lisa Barnard of Sinagua Middle School and Kate Haynes of Knoles Elementary. 2023 Rookie Teacher of the Year Ambassadors of Excellence were awarded to Kellen Brandel of Flagstaff High and Crystal Busath of Kinsey Elementary.

Findlay Toyota Flagstaff provided 2023 Coconino County Teacher of the Year, Emily Fisher, with a one year lease of a Toyota Camry SE.

We are grateful to our sponsors who make this event possible. For more details about the finalists and our sponsors visit: <u>https://coconino.az.gov/1863/Celebrate</u>.



Emily Fisher with her new vehicle courtesy of Findlay Toyota Flagstaff

UPCOMING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



We have many professional development offerings available this spring and summer. Registration for all courses can be completed online at <u>www.coconino.az.gov/PDReg</u>. All fields must be completed. You will receive confirmation of your registration status within one week of submitting the application. If you experience difficulties while registering online, please call 928-679-8056 for assistance.

Instructional Coaching

The CCESA provides job-embedded coaching to teachers and leaders to improve the quality of learning for all students. Through coaching, the CCESA provides focused support to help teachers and administrators reach the goals they have set for students through the enactment of research-based best practices in teaching and leading. The CCESA coaching model is undergirded by three principles: building teacher trust, using a growth mindset, and calibrating coaches. CCESA coaches are trained in several coaching models such as Marzano's, Cognitive Coaching, and the Danielson Framework for Teaching.

Universal Design for Learning (UDL)

UDL, based on recent research in the learning sciences, provides a framework for understanding the differences among learners (learner variability) and plans for those differences by providing multiple means of engagement, multiple means of representation, and multiple means of action and expression. UDL is about building in flexibility that can be adjusted for every students' strengths and needs and by applying the UDL principles teachers can effectively instruct a diverse group of learners. Participants will not only learn about the UDL principles but they will also apply them to their own context.

LETRS Volumes 1 & 2

LETRS, rooted in the science of reading, is designed to be the cornerstone of a multiyear, systemic literacy improvement initiative. Volume 1 (Units 1-4) addresses four critical outcomes for effective literacy instruction: understanding the science of reading, converting research to practice, enhancing teacher effectiveness, and transforming instruction. Volume 2 (Units 5-8) focuses specifically on oral language and vocabulary, understanding reading comprehension, text-driven comprehension instruction, and the reading-writing connection. By understanding the "why" behind science and evidence- based research, educators can effectively know how to aid students in learning to read. Coaching support will also be available for participating educators from Coconino County.

Introduction to Trauma-Informed Practices

Based on information compiled by the National Center on Safe Supportive Learning Environments, this training provides an introduction to school-based trauma-informed practices. Participants will learn about the prevalence of trauma in children and how trauma presents in student behavior. Additionally, this course will focus on classroom-based modifications and accommodations that prevent re-traumatization of students and instead build student resilience.

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Student Agency In Learning (SAIL)

Learn how to support the development of student agency through developing expertise and continuously attending to three interrelated constructs: formative assessment practice, classroom culture, and student identity.

The learning in this course consists of online course work, face-to-face sessions, Community of Practice meetings, and a video study group. As a part of the online work, participants will learn about the role of learning goals, success criteria, eliciting evidence of learning, peer feedback, and selfassessment in the formative assessment process. The face-to-face sessions will further explore these concepts while also looking at how to implement in the classroom. Participants will then be challenged to implement the new learning in their classroom and reflect upon the process during the Community of Practice. Participants will also participate in a video study group, analyzing their practice through the lens of selfassessment or peer feedback. It is required that participants register as a team from their site.

<u>Site-Based Professional Development</u> No matter what challenges your site faces, we have a professional learning service that fits. Options include academies, assessment consultants, one-day courses, video conferencing, special services, and multipleday visits from our trained staff and consultants,

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

February 2023

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<u>LETRS FOR</u> ADMINISTRATORS

Begins March 2023 Be immersed in implementation science systems thinking, and components of successful leadership, all of which will help augment the learnings that educators acquire in LETRS.

UNIVERSAL DESIGN FOR LEARNING (UDL)

July 17-19, 2023 Learn how to build flexibility in your lessons by applying the UDL principles to provide effective instruction for a diverse group of learners.

PREPaRE WORKSHOP 1

Fall 2023 Attend with your school team to learn about crisis prevention and preparedness and develop a comprehensive school safety plan utilizing the PREPaRE model.

STUDENT AGENCY IN LEARNING (SAIL)

Begins September 2023 Learn how to support the development of student agency through developing expertise and continuously attending to three interrelated constructs: formative assessment practice, classroom culture, and student identity.

PREPaRE WORKSHOP 2

Fall 2023 Learn about crisis intervention and recovery utilizing the PREPaRE model. Designed for mental health professionals and other educators involved in teh intervention and recovery of a crisis in a school.

SITE-BASED OPPORTUNITIES

No matter what challenges your school faces, we have a professional learning service that fits. Options include academies, assessment consultants, coaching, one-day courses, video conferencing, special services, and multiple-day visits from our trained staff and consultants. Complete and submit this <u>form</u> to request a site-based service tailored to meet your needs.

Questions? Contact Kelly Donatell (kdonatell@coconino.az.gov or 928-679-8056)



RESOURCE over 100 math, science and multi-use resources	
CCESA	Coconino County Education Service Agency
WEBSITE	http://coconino.az.gov/2038/CCESA-Resource-Library
DATE DUE	ITEMS AVAILABLE TO BORROW
ONGOING	Engineering is Elementary Kits
ONGOING	Seeds of Science-Roots of Reading Kits
ONGOING	Carolina Science Kits
ONGOING	Additional Classroom Resources

RESOURCE LIBRARY

Coconino County Education Service Agency has a vast library of resources that are available to all teachers in Coconino County. The resource library consists of over 100 math, science or multi-use resources that are available for use in your classroom. Within our resources, you will find anything from water quality testers to dissection kits, from algebra tiles to rulers to drawing compasses, and from headphones to a class set of individual white boards. We are also proud to have various kits available to borrowers, including Seeds of Science-Roots of Reading, Carolina Science, and Engineering is Elementary kits. The Engineering is Elementary kits are the single item in our inventory that requires a special training before use, but don't worry – this training is offered by our office.

To reserve a resource please visit <u>http://coconino.az.gov/2038/CCESA-Resource-Library</u> where you can access our list of resources, the user agreement, and the reservation system. We can't wait to help your classroom come alive!

STAY CONNECTED

To receive the most up to date information and resources from our office, follow us on Facebook and Instagram at the links below.







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