



News For You

Keeping ROE #40 districts and staff informed

FEBRUARY 2021



**ROE #40 Offices
will be closed
Monday,
February 15, 2021.**

Virtual Education Career Fair - Feb 19

Western Illinois University is hosting a VIRTUAL Education Career Fair through Handshake.

The career fair will be online from 12:00-4:00 on February 19th. They will offer some training ahead of time to help the districts that sign up get the most out of the virtual career fair. Here is the link to get started. Contact Lisa Litchfield, Field Supervisor, Teacher Education Program, WIU, 309-298-2144.

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February is Black History Month

Below are a few ideas and resources educators may wish to utilize.

- BlackPast.org offers a wealth of materials, including transcripts of more than 300 speeches by African Americans (and others, speaking on racial topics), more than 140 full text primary documents, plus timelines and gateway pages to digital archives and African and African American museums. [Here's](#) how you can use Blackpast.org in the classroom.
- The [Smithsonian's Learning Lab](#) has shared Black history lesson plans for each grade range [here](#).
- For high school students, [Teaching Tolerance](#) has posted an [online article](#) challenging teachers to expand their lesson plans to allow students to make meaningful connections to current events.
- Also for high school students, [Facing History](#) has collected resources and lesson plans [here](#) to support educators preparing for Black history month.

Several organizations have created lesson plans based on the amazing Inauguration Day poem by 22-year-old Amanda Gorman, the first person to be named National Youth Poet Laureate and the youngest inaugural poet in U.S. history.

- Lesson Plan: Discuss 22-year-old Amanda Gorman's inaugural poem "The Hill We Climb" | Lesson Plan | PBS NewsHour Extra
- Teach This: "The Hill We Climb" and the 2021 Inauguration | Teaching Tolerance
- Reflecting on Amanda Gorman's "The Hill We Climb" | Facing History and Ourselves

[For more tools/info visit the Anti-Racism page on our website.](#)





What Can Be Learned from Great Business, Military, Political, Social & Sports Leaders
Presented by Don Kachur Administrator Academy 1782

Live on-line or recorded: April 28, 2021 - 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
with a one hour lunch break

Still need PD Hours or an Admin Academy?



Click image for details/registration

Upcoming ROE #40 Professional Development

<http://www.roe40.com/prof-development-meetings.html>

Professional Development Director, Debbie Poffinbarger, dpoffinbarger@roe40.com

Smart Grid

Date: February 11, 2021 Time: 2:00 to 4:00 Place: Online

Evidence of Completion: 2 Hours

Childhood Trauma

Date: February 18, 2021 Time: 2 pm to 4 pm Place: Online

Evidence of Completion: 2 Hours

Tech Round Table

Date: February 25, 2021 Time: 2 to 4 p.m. Place: Online

Evidence of Completion: 2 Hours

New Teacher Training

Date: 3/2, 4/6 Time: 2:30 to 3:30 (each month) Place: Online

Evidence of Completion: 1 Hours per each meeting you attend

Effective Engagement: The Key to Building Resilience in Youth and Families

Date: March 10, 2021 Time: 2 pm to 4 pm Place: Online

Evidence of Completion: 2 Hours

Ed Puzzle

Date: March 25, 2021 Time: 2 to 4 p.m.

Place: Online

Evidence of Completion: 2 Hours

PERA, Evaluations, & SB&/RIF: Putting It All Together

Date: March 26, 2021 Time: 8:30 to 11:30 Place: Online

Evidence of Completion: 3 Hours

Book Club #4 - Interested in a Service-Learning Project that is driven around a student novel?

Date: April 1 & May 3, 2021 Time: 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm Place: Online

Evidence of Completion: 5 Hours

Building a Road to Resilience

Date: April 13, 2021 Time: 2 pm to 4 pm Place: Online

Evidence of Completion: 2 Hours

*For more details on these and other upcoming
Professional Development Opportunities visit*

<http://www.roe40.com/prof-development-meetings.html>



Sunday, February 14, 2021

National Board Certification 2021-22

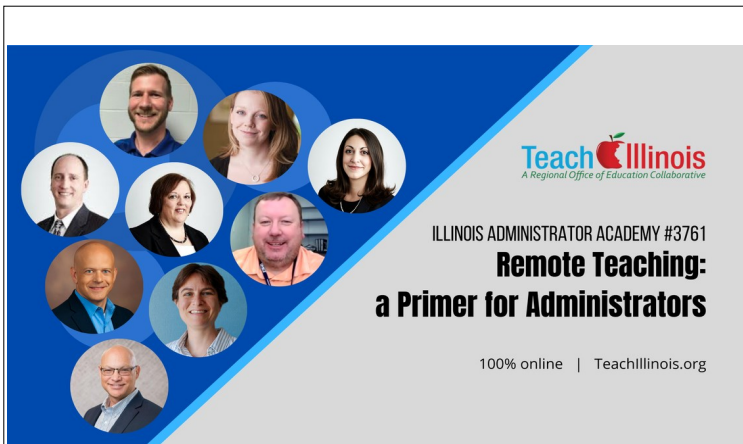
ROE/ISC #40 is proud to announce we will be a cohort host for teachers and counselors pursuing National Board Certification during the 2021-2022 school year. This cohort will meet 12 times throughout the school year and is led by a trained National Board Certified Teacher who will guide teachers through the process at no cost. Teachers can earn 24 Professional Development clock hours as they complete their National Board components. The state offers a subsidy to pay for all fees associated with becoming a National Board Certified Teacher (there is a one-time \$75 registration fee – this is the only cost an eligible teacher will incur). Apply for the subsidy from March 01, 2021 until May 10, 2021. Cohort support sessions begin statewide in September.

You can register to attend a live ZOOM webinar that will be held on Wednesday, March 03, at 7 p.m. to learn more about this Illinois State Board of Education program.

If you want to learn more about the National Board Certification process, here is a narrated presentation (turn your sound up – 15 minutes long):

[2021-2022 NBPTS Awareness Power Point Presentation](#)

If you have any further questions, contact nbrc@illinoisstate.edu.



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A Regional Office of Education Collaborative

ILLINOIS ADMINISTRATOR ACADEMY #3761
**Remote Teaching:
a Primer for Administrators**

100% online | TeachIllinois.org

AA#3761 Remote Learning: a Primer for Administrators

Only on TeachIllinois. 100% online and asynchronous. ISBE approved.

Learn the legal issues behind teaching remotely, how to ensure equity & equality, as well as how to evaluate and choose technology.

TeachIllinois has partnered with the law firm of [Tueth Keeney](#) LLC to provide legal expertise, the [Learning Accelerator](#) for guidance on Equity & Access, the [Illinois Learning Technology Center](#) for guidance on Remote Learning, and the Belleville Schools ([#118](#) and [#201](#)) for insight into the technology required for successful programs. Thanks to all the experts who shared their knowledge! Organizing these many experts into one live event would be next to impossible, but on TeachIllinois, you can learn from the best on your own time.

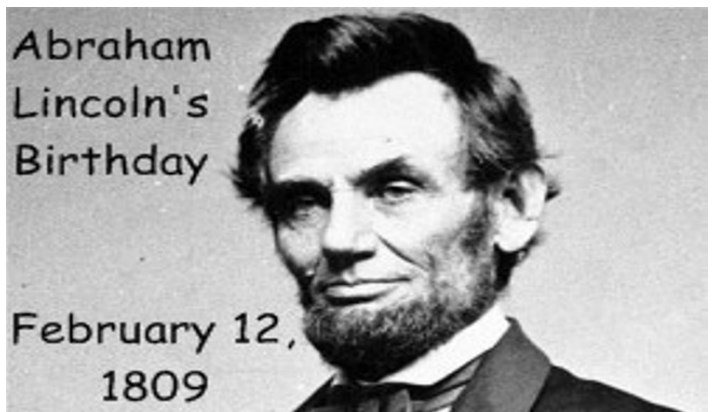
The Action & Dissemination project will involve writing or editing a District Remote Learning Plan. You have 364 days to complete the course upon enrollment. [Details/enrollment](#)

National Board Spring Subsidy Application Window Opens March 1

The Illinois State Board of Education announced the \$1,900 [National Board Candidate Fee Subsidy Application](#) will be available for Illinois teachers and counselors wishing to begin during the 2021-2022 school year. Funding has been made available for 500 candidates. The subsidy application for teachers pursuing National Board Certification during the 2021-2022 school year is available at March 1 – 10 am and closes at midnight on May 10.

Arts Education Week March 15—19

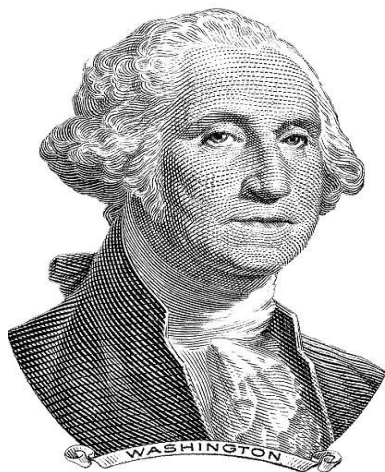
The 39th annual Illinois Arts Education Week is March 15-19. The Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum and ISBE have collaborated to create more visibility for young Illinois artists and showcase their talent, as well as reinforce the importance of the arts in the growth and development of our students. Entry deadline for students to participate in the poster design contest is Feb. 12. More information on contest rules and how students can participate.



Professional Development for World Language Teachers

The Illinois Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ICTFL) is the approved provider of Professional Development for Illinois World Language teachers. For more information on "Recipes for Success: Intentional Activities to Turn Novices into Intermediates". [Their Winter-Fest flyer and registration information. http://www.ictfl.org/winterfest.html](http://www.ictfl.org/winterfest.html) ICTFL is the provider and will issue PD credit.

They have also begun planning our Fall Conference, and a number of summer workshops are also being considered. "All of the ICTFL presentations are built around the World-Readiness Standards for Learning Languages, the Proficiency Guidelines, and best practices. We have a close relationship with both CSCTFL (Central States Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) and ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages), as well as with our 15 language specific affiliates in Illinois. (i.e. the Associations of Teachers of French, German, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese, Italian, Hebrew, Latin and Heritage Learners.)"



George Washington's Birthday
February 22, 1732

McKinney - Vento Homeless Education Program

McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program
Serving Families in Transition and Unaccompanied Youth for 13 counties in Area 5, the program provides educational support for students identified as homeless. The program serves the counties of Bond, Fayette, Effingham, Christian, Montgomery, Calhoun, Greene, Jersey, Macoupin, Madison, Monroe, Randolph, and St. Clair. [Visit the ROE 40 website for more information.](#)

McKinney-Vento Training Videos

- ⇒ **Bus Driver/Transportation Director Training Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=As9AtHXQOY0&feature=youtu.be>
- ⇒ **Enrollment Staff/Secretary Training Video:** <https://youtu.be/U8PPYAo1bCQ>
- ⇒ **Teachers and Staff Training Video:** https://youtu.be/6Oj-Dyo_Fhc

NEW DIRECTIONS IN EDUCATION CONFERENCE

JUNE 7 - 11, 2021

CALL FOR PROPOSALS



IN SEARCH OF 30 - 60 MINUTE VIRTUAL PRESENTATIONS

PEDAGOGY

NOW: What are best practices for remote learning, student engagement, teaching the whole child, etc.?

NEXT: How do we assess learning and school effectiveness post-COVID?

POLICY

NOW: What have been our successes as schools in this new decade?

NEXT: Who was left behind? Do policies match needs? How do we build capacity?

RESILIENCY

NOW: How is culture and climate? What worked? What was hard?

NEXT: What makes a resilient teacher? How can I become more resilient? What about my students?

SUBMIT ONLINE

bit.ly/Directions21Submit

DEADLINE: February 28, 2021 NOTIFICATION: March, 2021