

## CENTRAL RIVERS AEA SUPERINTENDENTS' MEETING DECEMBER 2018

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### TEST ADMINISTRATION ASSURANCE

Due December 28th - Test Administration Assurance in CASA. Superintendent must collect signatures, scan and upload completed document into CASA. Only the superintendent can submit in CASA. The form is available on the [CASA web page](#).

### DROPOUT REPORT

**Certification Deadline: December 14<sup>th</sup>**

The Dropout Report is for all public districts and non-public buildings housing grades 7-12 who report via SRI. The Dropout Report is found in the portal (EdInfo > Student Level Applications > Dropout Report). This report shows students who are considered dropouts between the dates of 10/1/2017 and 9/30/2018. Contact an SRI consultant if you need to add a student, or if a student needs to be removed from the report.

To access a document detailing dropout definitions, click [here](#)

To access a recorded webcast explaining the Dropout Report, click [here](#).

### WINTER STUDENT REPORTING IN IOWA (SRI)

The main focus of Winter SRI is curriculum (e.g., Offer and Teach units and CTE courses). The test sites are available the month of December for data to be uploaded into VRF and submitted to SRI. The SRI site will be down on January 3<sup>rd</sup> - January 6<sup>th</sup>. The production site will open on January 7<sup>th</sup> for the Winter submission with a certification deadline of January 31<sup>st</sup>. Districts/nonpublics are STRONGLY encouraged to use the test site. If you are new to uploading files into VRF for state reporting or need a refresher, click [here](#) to access a recorded webcast. Districts/non-publics housing grades 9-12 must verify the Curriculum Accreditation Report which is found on the Home page in Winter SRI prior to certifying.

To access a recorded webcast explaining the Curriculum Accreditation Report, click [here](#).

To access a PowerPoint document explaining the Curriculum Accreditation Report, click [here](#).

As always, feel free to contact an SRI consultant if you have any questions.  
Happy Winter Reporting from the SRI Team!

### UNIVERSAL DESK AUDITS

Are your universal desk audits completed? School districts, nonpublic schools, and AEAs should be completing uploads to CASA for the 2018-19 Universal Desk Audit and Universal Preschool Desk Audit – Evidence of IQPPS Implementation (public only). Audits opened September 15 and are due December 15. Questions about the universal desk audit can be directed to your assigned school improvement consultant or Cindy Butler at [cindy.butler@iowa.gov](mailto:cindy.butler@iowa.gov). Questions about the IQPPS desk audit can be directed to [Jennifer.adkins@iowa.gov](mailto:Jennifer.adkins@iowa.gov). More information can be found on the [Consolidated Accountability and Support Application \(CASA\)](#) web site.

## STATEWIDE CURRICULUM NETWORK

Did you know you can join a curriculum network meeting at Heartland AEA through video link to hear statewide updates? The agendas and recorded updates from previous meetings are available on the [Heartland website](#). The network meets the first Friday of every month, September through May, with statewide updates generally taking place from 8:30 to 10:30.

## HOMELESS EDUCATION UPDATES

The Iowa Department of Education will be providing all district Homeless Liaisons with information pertaining to required McKinney-Vento (homeless education) professional development. "States and LEAs must "ensure participation by liaisons... in professional development and other technical assistance activities... as determined appropriate by" the State Coordinator." (42 USC §11432(g)(1)(J)(iv).) This professional development will be provided through Kickstand, an on-line provider of this training. The Liaisons will be able to complete training modules at times convenient for them. If you have any questions regarding this training or Homeless Education, please direct them to Carolyn Cobb, [carolyn.cobb@iowa.gov](mailto:carolyn.cobb@iowa.gov), 515-402-2736.

## EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLANNING

The next Emergency Operations Planning webinar will be held on December 18 at 10:00 AM. All materials and the webinar link can be found on the [Emergency Operations Planning](#) section of the Department's website. For questions, contact [Rob Olsen](#) or (515) 281-4743.

## EMERGING EDUCATORS ACADEMY

The 4th Annual Emerging Educators Academy is a powerful educational opportunity available for your 1st to 3rd year beginning teachers, your mentor specialists/facilitators, mentors, instructional coaches and administrators. This event will take place February 1, 2019 at Simpson College and has a particular focus on the first few years of teaching. We are especially excited this year to be including two National Teachers of the Year, Iowa's own Sarah Brown Wessling (2010) and Mandy Manning (2018) as part of the program.

The intent of this conference is to provide support and encouragement to all educators. The [flyer](#) includes additional details, including how to register.

We would love to have a team of new and experienced educators from your district join us!

Shelly Vroegh, 2017 Iowa Teacher of the Year  
Aileen Sullivan, 2018 Iowa Teacher of the Year

## UPDATES FROM LEADING, TEACHING, LEARNING SERVICES

**Advanced Learners:** Many have been asking for more sessions on MTSS for Advanced Learners. Below, please find the upcoming workshop dates: Central Rivers AEA - November 27, Keystone AEA - January 22, Heartland AEA - January 23, Mississippi Bend AEA - February 13, and Northwest AEA - February 15.

**ELA:** The Statewide Literacy Leadership Team prepares to roll out professional learning, [Standards-Based Writing Practices Professional Learning Opportunities](#). It is anchored in the writing standards and will support educators to make strategic moves in their instructional practice to enhance the development of student writing skills. Watch for additional information forthcoming from the Department and your local AEA.

**Fine Arts:** The Iowa Department of Education, Iowa Arts Council, and Iowa Alliance for Arts Education are excited to announce plans to co-sponsor the first ever Iowa Fine Arts Education Summit, June 20th, 2019. The Summit will celebrate the 2017 adoption of Iowa's Fine Arts Standards and offer professional

development around our new standards for all five fine arts disciplines - dance, media arts, music, theatre, and visual arts.

**Mathematics:** Learn about how to support students with unfinished math learning by [Designing Shifts-Aligned Interventions in the Math Classroom](#). Learn about the common missteps and [Recommendations for Targeted Math and Intervention](#). Learn [how to](#) use the [Coherence MAP](#) to see connections of the standards between and across the grade.

**World Languages/English Language Learners:** If your district has not yet signed up to participate in the Seal of Biliteracy, please [sign up](#). Go [here](#) for more information.

**RESOURCES**

- [Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress \(ISASP\) Portal](#)
- [Title IX](#)
- [Equity Guidance](#)
- [ESSA Guidance and Allocations](#)

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

December 1	Last date to submit on-line School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) Application for Modified Supplemental Amount (MSA) for Increased Enrollment, Open Enrollment Out, and Limited English Proficient Excess Costs, for Districts that want MSA (IAC 289 - 6.3(3)"h")	Carla Schimelfenig <a href="mailto:carla.schimelfenig@iowa.gov">carla.schimelfenig@iowa.gov</a>
December 1	First semester parental claim forms for nonpublic transportation reimbursement due from parents to district.	Max Christensen <a href="mailto:Max.Christensen@iowa.gov">Max.Christensen@iowa.gov</a>
December 11	December School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) Meeting	Kassandra Cline <a href="mailto:kassandra.cline@iowa.gov">kassandra.cline@iowa.gov</a>
December 14	Dropout Verification Date	Margaret Hanson <a href="mailto:Margaret.Hanson@iowa.gov">Margaret.Hanson@iowa.gov</a> Rachel Kruse <a href="mailto:Rachel.Kruse@iowa.gov">Rachel.Kruse@iowa.gov</a>
December 15	Local Education Agency (LEA), Area Education Agency (AEA) and Nonpublic School Improvement Universal Desk Audit Items due in CASA (IAC 281 - 12 and 281 - 72)	Cindy Butler <a href="mailto:cindy.butler@iowa.gov">cindy.butler@iowa.gov</a>
Third Friday in December	National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Verification Collection Report due	Deb Linderblood <a href="mailto:Deb.Linderblood@iowa.gov">Deb.Linderblood@iowa.gov</a> Patti Harding <a href="mailto:patti.harding@iowa.gov">patti.harding@iowa.gov</a>
December 24	Driver Education Report Due	Nicole Proesch <a href="mailto:nicole.proesch@iowa.gov">nicole.proesch@iowa.gov</a>
December 30	Second Quarter Claims due for Secondary Perkins Grants	Pat Thieben

		<a href="mailto:pat.thieben@iowa.gov">pat.thieben@iowa.gov</a>
December 31	Between December 15-31 districts submit a report of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) standards and accomplishments via BEDS. (Iowa Code 19B.11)	Shelly Neese <a href="mailto:shelly.neese@iowa.gov">shelly.neese@iowa.gov</a>
January 1	Secondary Career and Technical Education (CTE) Reporting Application opens for Fiscal Year (FY) Reporting	Pat Thieben <a href="mailto:pat.thieben@iowa.gov">pat.thieben@iowa.gov</a>
January 1	Last date to certify to the Department of Education (DE) reorganization or dissolution action effective July 1 (Iowa Code 275)	Carla Schimelfenig <a href="mailto:carla.schimelfenig@iowa.gov">carla.schimelfenig@iowa.gov</a>
January 1	Juvenile Home Program Budget Due (AEA only)	Denise Ragias <a href="mailto:denise.ragias@iowa.gov">denise.ragias@iowa.gov</a>
Second Friday in January	Determine number of students participating in whole-grade sharing for 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester. Not required to report to the Department of Education	Carla Schimelfenig <a href="mailto:carla.schimelfenig@iowa.gov">carla.schimelfenig@iowa.gov</a>
January 15	Last day to submit on-line application for modified supplemental amount for the next year's At-Risk, Returning Dropout/Dropout Prevention program due for districts that want MSA (257.40, IAC 289--6.3(3)"i")	Rob Olsen <a href="mailto:Rob.olsen@iowa.gov">Rob.olsen@iowa.gov</a>

Additional information at [Deadlines](#) or [Calendar](#).

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