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TUESDAY TIMES

A bi-weekly source for professional development and news for DuPage County Educators

Professional Development & Learning Opportunities

Supporting Advanced Learners

Illinois Association for Gifted Children Conference: February 6-8 in Naperville. Click [this flyer](#) for details and registration links.

ROE Partners with Dominican University and Brookfield Zoo

The DuPage Regional Office of Education has teamed up with Dominican University and Brookfield Zoo to develop tools to assist educators in sharing information about animals, science, and caring—the things that form the basis of conservation at the zoo and in the wild. Upcoming courses include *Amping Up Amplify* (February 15). Check out their complete course offerings [here](#).



Short-term Substitute Teacher Training

The required training for the STS license is being offered by the ROE on February 18. For more information, click [here](#).

Restorative Practices

On February 20, the ROE will host a free introductory workshop on Restorative Practices. Restorative Practices is an emerging social science that emphasizes the importance of positive relationships as central to building community. In this workshop, certified trainers will explain why this is not another program or “fad” but a proven tool educators can use to give students voice, help them make better choices, and align discipline with recent state mandates. For more information, click [here](#).

COUNTYWIDE INSTITUTE DAY, FEBRUARY 28

The ROE is excited to launch the 2020 Countywide Institute Day Catalog. There will be more than 50 diverse opportunities for educational professionals to learn from local experts. Click [here](#) to view the directory of offerings and/or to register.

Teacher In-Service for DuPage Educators (TIDE)

TIDE Spring 2020 course listings are now available. Partnerships are available with Benedictine University, Lewis University, Dominican University, and University of St. Francis. Click [here](#) for more information.

Building Capacity and Curriculum Considerations for LGBTQ+

In response to HB0246, on March 5, (8:30 am-4 pm) the ROE will host a robust learning opportunity that will focus on building capacity and sharing critical information from ISBE, local districts, medical, legal, and policy experts. Discussions on emerging trends will take place, and preliminary curriculum considerations at every level, K-12th grades, will be explored. A powerful student panelist will reaffirm our commitment to equity. A boxed lunch is included with registration. Register (required) [here](#).



Administrator Academy Offerings

Please join us for an Administrator Academy. Click on a course below for more information or to register. Academies are added throughout the school year, so check [this document](#) for current course offerings.

Illinois Performance Evaluation - Teacher Evaluation Training, March 4-5 (AA2001)

Networking

School Nursing Personnel: January 29. "Behavioral Health Screening, Assessment and Support Services"

Early Childhood Network: February 20. "Suspension and Expulsion in Early Childhood"

High School Social Workers: February 21. The DuPage ROE introduces a new networking group: High School Social Workers Network. This network group will meet at Lake Park High School, East Campus.

Counselors Network: March 20. "Healthy Brain/Healthy Ways - Academic Tips and Tricks to Executive Functioning"

News and Information

China Delegation Visits DuPage Schools

A Chinese delegation recently visited Hinsdale Central High School and Butler Junior High School in Oakbrook to learn about social-emotional learning (SEL) and technology instruction in the classroom. Special thanks to Principal Bill Walsh at Hinsdale Central, his department chairs, counselors and social workers from both Hinsdale Central and Hinsdale South, as well as Butler Principal Andrea Prola for sharing their experience and knowledge with this delegation.



STEM Competition

Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy announces POWER PITCH, an annual STEM business/idea pitch competition for high-school students in the Midwest Region. It will take place on Saturday, March 28. See the [attached flyer](#) for more information and registration links.

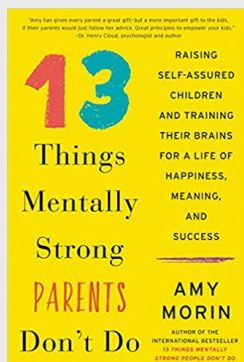
Biodiversity Field Trip Grant

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources announces its annual Biodiversity Field Trip Grant. Teachers can apply now through January 31. For more information, click [here](#).

Spelling Bee

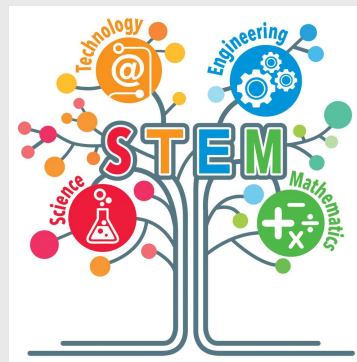
On February 26, the ROE will host the DuPage Spelling Bee Final at Wheaton North High School. The winner will head to the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C. at the end of May. Good luck to all participants!

Resources for Educators



Glenbard Parent Series

Wednesday, January 29, 7-8:30 pm



January 2020 STEM

Check out the latest STEM newsletter!

Coming Up...

Legendary Teacher Traits: March 2-April 27

Join us on an educational journey as seen through the eyes and actions of a fourth-year teacher as she

strives to help affect positive change in her colleagues and bring out the very best in her school's students. For more information, click [here](#).

Trauma Training for Special Educators: June 8-9

This two-day training will focus on neurobiology, intersections of learning disabilities and trauma, autistic's face of trauma, and writing trauma-informed IEP's. More details to come.

WAIT (Washington Aggression Interruption Training): June 22-25

This four-day training for educators focuses on cognitive behavioral intervention that helps youth reduce aggression and antisocial behaviors, with a focus on late elementary and early middle school students.

[Register here](#).

1st Statewide Equity Conference: October 9

This conference, which will take place at the NIU Conference Center in Naperville, will be hosted by the Illinois Coalition of Educational Equity Leaders and the DuPage ROE. More details to come.

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