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OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE: WELCOME BACK AND GENERAL UPDATES

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WELCOME TO THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR!



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MEETING AGENDA

Governance Update

Literacy Update

Cell Phones in Schools Updates

General Updates

GOVERNANCE UPDATE

Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (DEW)

Steve Dackin, Director

Jeremy Varner, Deputy Director of Career-Tech and Workforce

State Board of Education (SBE)

Paul Craft, Superintendent of Public Instruction

Ohio Department of Children and Youth (DCY)

Kara Wentz, Director



GOVERNANCE OVERVIEW

Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (DEW)

(1) Director

(2) Deputy Directors

Primary and Secondary Education

and

Career-Tech and Workforce Readiness



GOVERNANCE OVERVIEW

Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (DEW)

Sections (Chief & Deputy Chief)

Educational Options

Performance and Impact

Student and Academic Supports

Advancing Professional Supports



GOVERNANCE OVERVIEW

State Board of Education (SBOE)

Educator Licensure

Professional Conduct

Educator Standards and Programs



LITERACY

HQIM LIST RELEASE

Jan. 30	Initial PreK-5 Core List Published (20 programs added)
March 1	Updated PreK-5 Core List- After Phase 2 Review (16 programs added)
April 10	Updated PreK-5 Core List- After Phase 2 Appeals (4 programs added)
May 20	Initial PreK-Grade 12 Intervention List (36 programs added)
May 24	Updated PreK-Grade 5 Core List- After Extension Review (6 programs added)
May 29	Updated PreK-Grade 12 Intervention List (19 programs added)
Currently Ongoing	Core (2) and Intervention (13) Appeals- anticipated release late July

Approved Core Materials: 34 K-5, 10 PreK
Approved Intervention Materials: 54 PreK-12



SCIENCE OF READING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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Pathway	Course Name	Target Audience(s)	Hours	Access
Pathway A	Ohio's Introduction to the Science of Reading Course, Kindergarten-Grade 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers of kindergarten-grade 5. Intervention specialists, English learner teachers, reading specialists, or instructional coaches in grades K-5. 	22 hours	Learning Management System
Pathway B	Ohio's Introduction to the Science of Reading Course, Kindergarten-Grade 5 (Abbreviated)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers of kindergarten-grade 5 who completed required 18 hours of dyslexia professional development. Intervention specialists, English learner teachers, reading specialists, or instructional coaches in grades K-5 who completed required 18 hours of dyslexia professional development. 	8.5 hours	Learning Management System
Pathway C	Ohio's Introduction to the Science of Reading Course, Grades 6-12 English Language Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English language arts teachers in grades 6-12. Intervention specialists, English learner teachers, reading specialists, or instructional coaches in grades 6-12. 	21 hours	Learning Management System
Pathway D	Ohio's Introduction to the Science of Reading Course, Grades 6-12 (Abbreviated)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intervention specialists, English learner teachers, reading specialists, or instructional coaches in grades 6-12 who completed required 18 hours of dyslexia professional development. 	9 hours	Learning Management System

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Pathway	Course Name	Target Audience(s)	Hours	Access
Pathway E	Ohio's Introduction to the Science of Reading Course, Grades 6-12 Content Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers of subject areas other than English Language Arts for grades 6-12, including teachers of core subject areas in addition to music, fine arts, physical education, and other elective or related arts subjects. 	7.5 hours	Learning Management System
Pathway F	Ohio's Introduction to the Science of Reading Course, Administrators K-12	Administrators holding any of the following licenses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A valid Superintendent's license or valid Alternative Superintendent's license A valid Principal's license or valid Alternative Principal's license A valid Administrative Specialist license or valid Alternative Superintendent license 	7 hours	Learning Management System
Pathway G	Ohio's Language and Literacy Course Sequence for Prekindergarten	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intervention specialists, English learner teachers, reading specialists, or instructional coaches in prekindergarten. 	20.5 hours	Cox Campus



GENERAL UPDATES

CELL PHONES IN SCHOOLS



e present.
B engaged.
B phone free.



OHIO LAW

- Requires all schools to adopt a policy governing the use of cell phones by students during school hours by July 1, 2025.
- Requires schools and districts to adopt local policies that:
 - Emphasize that student cell phone use be as limited as possible during school hours.
 - Reduce cell phone-related distractions in classroom settings.
 - May permit students to use cell phones or other technological devices for student learning or to monitor or address a health concern.

CELL PHONES IN SCHOOLS - RESEARCH

- In the U.S., 95% of teens (13-17) have access to smart cell phones.
- Students receive on average 192 alerts per day!
 - 11 per hour
 - 1 every 5 minutes
- Policies eliminating cell phones in schools lead to:
 - Reduction in bullying, positive and significant impact on standardized tests, and GPAs of girls.
 - Reductions in poor mental health outcomes such as anxiety and depression.



OHIO STUDENTS FACING CHALLENGES



- 1 in 3 Ohio students reports challenges with anxiety.
- 1 in 3 Ohio students reports feeling sad and hopeless.
 - Almost 115,000 high-school aged kids in Ohio have experienced depression.

CELL PHONES IN SCHOOLS - TOOLKIT



Model Policy



Administrators



**School and
District Supports**



Families



**Students with
Disabilities**



School Safety

OETC25 FEBRUARY 11-13, 2025



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Innovation.



Access.



Collaboration.

OETC serves the Primary through 20 EdTech community focusing on instruction, information technology, leadership, and library/media specialists while fostering innovation, ensuring access, and encouraging collaboration in implementing educational technology.





OETC25 will focus on the theme of “Innovation. Access. Collaboration.”

OETC is accepting session and poster proposals for OETC25 until September 15th.

<https://oetc.ohio.gov/get-involved/session-presentation-portal/session-poster-presentation-portal>



Have a great 2024-2025 School Year!



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