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The State Support Team 1 Newsletter for Busy Educators

September is Attendance Awareness Month

Chronic absenteeism is defined as missing at least 10% of instructional time in the classroom for any reason and is one of the primary causes of low academic achievement. Students miss school for a variety of reasons, including chronic health issues, family commitments, lack of social and emotional support, or safety issues. Whether excused or unexcused, missing too much school has detrimental effects on a student's learning trajectory.



Advancing Student Success By Reducing Chronic Absence

Attendance Works

[Attendance Works](#) is a non-profit initiative that collaborates with schools, districts, states, communities and organizations to ensure that everyone recognizes that chronic absence is a serious issue that can be addressed using a positive, problem-solving approach grounded in an understanding of educational inequities. This year's Attendance Works campaign slogan is [Showing Up Together!](#) Their website is full of information, resources, webinars, videos and



KEEP LEARNING, EVERY DAY



Stay in the Game! Network

The mission of the [Stay in the Game! Network](#) is to prioritize attendance by connecting its users to resources aimed at tackling chronic absenteeism. The [Cleveland Browns Foundation](#), Ohio Department of Education and

much more. Remember that every day a student is in school is an opportunity to learn, build relationships and access support!

[Proving Ground](#) are deeply committed to this mission.

Find educator, parent, student and community partner tools, including posters, yard signs, attendance trackers and more, at SITGNetwork.org/resources!

Revisions Effective July 1, 2023 to the Operating Standards for Children With Disabilities

The Ohio Department of Education wants to ensure that educational agencies, parents and others have access to the revised sections of the Operating Standards for the Education of Children with Disabilities. This includes the rules with the developmental disabilities expansion language that are currently in the rule revision process which include the following sections: *Applicability of requirements and definitions, Child Find, Evaluations and Transportation*. All other parts of these four rules and their revisions are in effect. For additional information and to see the sections of the Ohio Administrative Code, all of which are in effect as of July 1, 2023, [Click Here](#).

State Board of Education seeking input on search for the next Superintendent of Public Instruction

The State Board of Education of Ohio invites Ohio's administrators, educators, school staff, parents and other education stakeholders to share their perspectives on the qualities, characteristics and experiences important to them in the selection of the next superintendent of public instruction via a [short survey](#). View the position description and timeline for the superintendent search by clicking on the [State Board's webpage](#). Survey deadline is September 12, 2023.

SSTR1 Sponsored Professional Development for September

[New Special Ed Administrator Meeting](#) - September 14, 2023 | 9:00 - 11:00 | Virtual

[Reaching and Teaching Young Children Exposed to Trauma](#) - September 18, 2023 | 9:00 - 12:00 | ESC of Lake Erie West, Toledo

[Preschool Leader Network](#) - September 19, 2023 | 9:30 - 11:30 | Virtual

[Statewide CTE/SPED Leaders Network](#) - September 20, 2023 | 9:00 - 11:00 | Virtual

[PBIS Tier II In Person Training](#) - September 26, 2023 | 8:30 - 3:00 | Wood Co ESC, Bowling Green, OH

[Integrating Supports for Students with Disabilities](#) - September 27, 2023 | 9:30 - 12:00 | Virtual

[Retention Strategies in the Math Classroom \(Gr K-6\)](#) - September 28, 2023 | 8:30 - 3:30 | Wood Co ESC, Bowling Green, OH

[Supporting Students with Disabilities in Graduation and Beyond](#) - September 28, 2023 | 8:30 - 3:00

(Closed Training - See website for details)

[Literacy Leaders Network](#) - September 28, 2023 | 9:00 - 11:00 | Virtual

[Retention Strategies in the Math Classroom \(Gr 7-12\)](#) - September 29, 2023 | 8:30 - 3:30 | Wood Co ESC, Bowling Green, OH

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Retention Strategies in the Math Classroom

Are you an Elementary, Middle or High School Math teacher looking for ways to help your students retain essential mathematical concepts and skills? If you are, you don't want to let this opportunity slip by.



The State Support Team Region 1 is excited to bring [Dr. Paul](#)

[Riccomini](#) in for a three day PD Math Series on Retention Strategies in the Math Classroom. This series will provide teachers with specific strategies for organizing both instruction and students' studying of material to facilitate learning, remembering, and applying critical mathematical concepts and skills in new situations. His sessions will be broken into three sessions for educators in Grades K-6 and three sessions for Grades 7-12. For additional information and registration [Download the Flyer](#).

Dates/Time/Location for K-6 Sessions -

- September 28, 2023 | 8:30 - 3:30 | Wood Co ESC, Bowling Green, OH
- November 29, 2023 | 8:30 - 3:30 | ESC of Lake Erie West, Toledo, OH
- January 11, 2024 | 8:30 - 3:30 | ESC of Lake Erie West, Toledo, OH

Dates/Time/Location for 7-12 Sessions -

- September 29, 2023 | 8:30 - 3:30 | Wood Co ESC, Bowling Green, OH
- November 30, 2023 | 8:30 - 3:30 | ESC of Lake Erie West, Toledo, OH
- January 12, 2024 | 8:30 - 3:30 | ESC of Lake Erie West, Toledo, OH

If you have questions on the content of these sessions contact [Marty Schloegl](#).

Adolescent Literacy Across the Content Areas: Creating a Culture of Literacy Instruction in All Classrooms

Are you a Literacy Coach, Teacher Leader, or Curriculum Specialist wondering how Literacy for ALL students is incorporated into the four Content Areas (ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies)?

This four-day Professional Development opportunity, presented by SSTR1 Consultant Nick Jacobs, M.Ed., follows the progression of literacy skill development across the Content Areas. Participants are invited to explore the habits of the mind and discover that literacy can be unique to each core content area. For additional information, [Download the Flyer.](#)



Dates - October 5, 2023, November 2, 2023, February 1, 2024, March 7, 2024

Location - ESC of Lake Erie West

Time - 9:00 - 3:00

If you have questions regarding the content of these sessions contact [Nick Jacobs.](#)

Itinerant Network

Are you an Itinerant Provider such as a PS Supervisor, Intervention Specialist, General Education Teacher, SLP, OT, PT, School Psychologist, other related Service Personnel looking for the foundational knowledge, tools and supports to improve itinerant services to the children you serve in their least restrictive environments?



If so, you will benefit from this Network. The topics for each session include:

- October 6, 2023 Session: Ongoing updates and collaborative discussions on developing partnerships with caregivers, sharing resources, coaching and promoting strategies to support student growth.
- January 5, 2024 Session: Ongoing updates, discussion on the powerful role of play in early learning and ways to provide interventions and strategies within.

Dates - October 6, 2023 and January 5, 2024

Location- Virtual

Time - 8:30 - 10:30

If you have questions regarding the content of these sessions contact [Tara Shumaker.](#)

Pre-registration is required to receive the zoom links and materials before each session.

[Register Here](#)

Want to see more SSTR1 Sponsored Sessions?

Download the 2023-2024 Yearly Professional Learning Calendar



Informational Webinar's on Zearn Math

To support Ohio educators with providing differentiated middle school math support, the Ohio Department of Education is providing access to Zearn Math at no cost. Zearn Math is a top-rated math learning platform to reinforce and deepen grade-level learning. Ohio districts and schools that serve students in grades 6-8 will have access to high-quality instructional materials, resources and training for educators, as well as materials to support families and caregivers.

Join a live webinar to explore how students learn on Zearn Math, what is included in the platform, how educators can use Zearn and how districts can opt-in for free access. Please visit [Accelerating Learning in Mathematics](#) and [Zearn Math Ohio](#) to learn more. The first webinar will be hosted on September 12, 2023 at noon.

Register now at <https://about.zearn.org/ohio>.

For questions email OHMaterialsMatter@education.ohio.gov.



All students Can Read Professional Learning Series

This professional learning series is a collaborative offering from the Ohio Department of Education's Office of Literacy Achievement and Reading Success and the Office for Exceptional Children. The series aims to build the knowledge and skills of special educators in reading science. The series will introduce the research and theoretical models supporting reading science, assessment and instruction within a multi-tiered system of support and developing reading profiles that support the instructional design to meet the unique needs of students with disabilities. The next session is on September 26, 2023 (12:00-3:00).

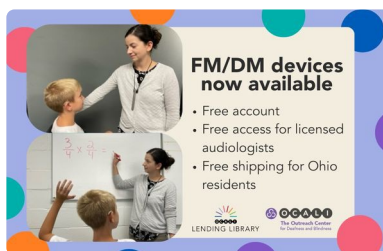
Find Additional details and registration information about the All Students Can Read professional learning series [here](#).



Supporting Communicative Competence 2023-24 Professional Learning Series

This series includes seven one-hour virtual sessions focused on core and fringe vocabulary, considering the needs of children with visual and hearing impairment, using core as part of the curriculum, developing peer supports, fostering communication partner strategies and social networks, and preparing students with complex communication needs for transition, and more. Special and general preschool and school-age educators, related services personnel (e.g., speech language pathologists), paraprofessionals, administrators, parents, and others are invited to

attend. One (1) contact hour will be provided for each session attended upon completion of the session evaluation. See the learning objectives for each of the seven sessions and register for one or more sessions today. [Download Flyer.](#)



FM/DM Devices Available to Borrow for Free from OCALI's Lending Library

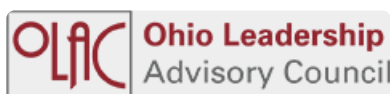
Calling all educational audiologists and teachers of the deaf! Do you have a child or student who needs support for listening in the classroom? OCALI's Lending Library and the Outreach Center for Deafness and Blindness are excited to announce that FM/DM devices are now available to borrow for FREE! These devices can provide greater access to learners who are deaf/hard of hearing or to students who need additional support for listening.

With more than 30 available, it's easier than ever to compare different models or try before buying. These devices are provided for licensed audiologists in the state of Ohio. If you are a parent, caregiver, or guardian, you can reach out to your child's teacher or audiologist to request access.

To access these FM/DM devices, you must:

- Register with a free [Lending Library account](#)
- Be a licensed audiologist
- Reside in the state of Ohio

Shipping is free to Ohioans and loans are available for 15 weeks, once the account is verified. Other loan conditions and processes may apply. Please visit the website for complete information: <https://www.ocali.org/project/fm-system-loan-procedure>.



2023-2024 OLAC Professional Learning Sessions

OLAC is excited to launch its 2023-2024 professional learning series.

- **September 15, 9-12 p.m.:** Become an OLAC Facilitator
- **September 19, 9-10:30 a.m.:** Understanding Your School Report Card with Carrie Sanchez
- **September 29, 9:30-11:30 a.m.:** How Leadership Works with Cathy Lassiter
- **October 11 & 25, 9-10:30 a.m. (both sessions):** Two-Part Series: Data for School Improvement with Carrie Sanchez
- **November 29, 9-10:30 a.m.:** Master Scheduling: Team Time IS Possible with Carrie Sanchez

The sessions are free, but registration is required. [Learn more and register.](#)



OLAC/PBIS Showcase - January 31, 2024

OLAC and the Ohio PBIS Network will continue their partnership to host a joint event again this year. This one-day, virtual conference will combine the best of the OLAC Action Forum and the Ohio PBIS Showcase. This year's theme is *Future Forward: Accelerating Leadership & Learning*. Watch for details on their keynote announcement coming soon! [Learn more here](#).

Ohio Family Engagement Leadership Summit - September 22, 2023

The Ohio Family Engagement Leadership Summit is a free virtual professional learning and networking opportunity on September 22, 2023 (9:00 - 3:00) for teachers, leaders, family liaisons, parent/caregivers, and community partners looking for opportunities to find joy and power in partnerships. For [additional information, agenda topics and registration](#).



Early Learning and School Readiness Open Office Hours

Do you have a question about your Early Learning program? The Office of Early Learning & School Readiness will host Open Office Hours twice per month from August 2023 through May 2024:

Every 2nd Friday at 3:00 p.m. [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Every 4th Tuesday at 10:30 am [Click here to join the meeting](#)

*** Exceptions: 11/10/23 & 12/26/23**



Educators and school personnel are invited to pop into the virtual meeting space anytime during the 45 minute sessions to ask questions of the office of ECSR Early Learning Specialists. The next Early Learning Open Office Hour is September 8, 2023. No prior registration or RSVP is needed to participate. Open Office Hours information will also be posted now through June 2023 on the [Department's Early Learning homepage](#).



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