

Carrie Wood and Lynn Meister
Director of Teaching and Learning
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Board Report

Goodbye and Hello!

From Lynn: This is a bittersweet week as I bid farewell to Mid-Ohio. Thank you for your faith in me and the opportunity to serve as Director of Teaching and Learning. I deeply appreciate your support over the years and know that Carrie Wood will be an outstanding Director. Best wishes for a successful 2022 - 2023 school year!

From Carrie: Hello, I'm excited to return and rejoin the Mid-Ohio team. I was a coach for Teaching and Learning and Gifted then moved to serve in a state role capacity as one of ODE's literacy specialists. Thank you for the incredible opportunity to serve as the new Director of Teaching and Learning!

Teaching and Learning

1. T&L will be quite busy with an increased number of contracted units. In addition, three new districts, one special project, and one non-public school have taken services this year: Hillsdale, Highland, and Lexington, and Galion just contracted for a special literacy project of up to 20 days. Mansfield St. Peter's school purchased a full unit of T&L mathematics services.
2. To handle the increased workload, three new consultants have been hired. Heather Dillon and Danya Davis join us as literacy consultants to replace a consultant who resigned and accommodate the tremendous growth in the Teaching and Learning department. Rebecca Kidney will be a new mathematics/gifted consultant.

Gifted

1. Lucas will now be served by Rebecca Kidney as their gifted consultant. She will also serve Mansfield St. Peter's for a full unit of gifted support, in addition to their T&L unit.
2. Leanna Ferreira reduced her contract to spend more time with her children. She will be spending less time as a mathematics consultant but still serving Lexington two days per week as a gifted consultant.
3. Carrie Wood is a certified gifted consultant and has served in that role at Bucyrus City Schools, so she will be able to effectively lead the gifted department.

Comprehensive Literacy State Development Grant

We welcome Kalin Wilburn as the new grant manager. She comes to us from Crestview schools and previously from NCOCC as a technology specialist. This will allow our expert coach, Lisa Cook, to spend more time with our districts to impact literacy achievement for all students. We look forward to keeping the Board updated on the

progress of the two model sites at Plymouth-Shiloh and Mansfield STEM as part of this grant endeavor.

Adolescent Literacy Specialist Grant

We are excited to welcome Amber Clay-Mowry to serve as the full time adolescent literacy specialist for a quarter of our state. She will provide universal support on how to improve adolescent literacy in this region and will customize coaching for several model sites in three other regions in our state. The state's adolescent team will begin making plans for future projects to support our state's secondary students. Stay tuned to hear all about this important work!