



Mid-Ohio Board of Governors
Carrie Wood, Director of Literacy
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- My position started on July 1, 2023 and I began transitioning former duties to Amber-Clay Mowry. All is set and ready for August in our respective new departments. Thank you to the Board of Governor and Cabinet for helping to make a smooth transition in this new role and immediate task to hire a coaching team.
- ODE gave us the go ahead to begin 8 hires on July 11 and we have secured four coaches since that time. We had several qualified applicants that wanted to accept a coaching position, but many couldn't navigate being released from their district teaching contract. We had 11 qualified candidates go to the final process. Most of the assignments are near north and we have no work assignments in Richland, Morrow, and Knox counties until next year.
- Per Governor DeWine's proposed biennial budget bill, one of the goals is to increase student achievement through improved language and literacy outcomes for students through the **Governor's project as a model** for all state of Ohio schools to replicate along with Ohio's other initiatives for PD and HQIM for literacy.
- Coaches will implement the contents of *Ohio's Plan to Raise Literacy Achievement* through Ohio's Literacy Coaching Model and support the use of high-quality instructional materials statewide.
- The 2-year project will support up to **100 additional literacy coaches** in schools and districts with the lowest reading proficiency, and ensure all schools are using high-quality material aligned with evidence-based reading instruction and intervention.

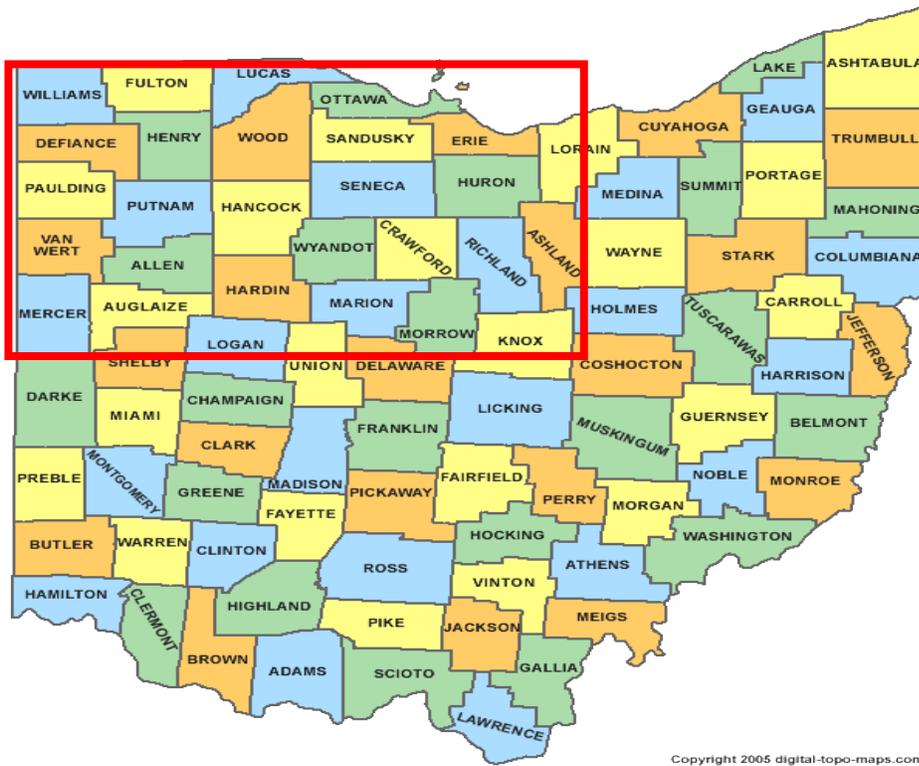
*Core ODE Regional Literacy Coaches for the **northwest-concentration on 3 of 23** counties:

- Haley Bryant- Huron
- Tiffany O'Neil-Erie
- Julie Kemper-Lorain
- Whitney Imhoff-Lorain

*We are still able to hire up to 4 additional qualified candidates into September

Thank you for your support of this ODE/MOESC Collaboration Project!

Respectfully,
Carrie Wood
Director of Literacy



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