Board Update 8.7.23



Mid Ohio Educational Service Center Director of Grants & Special Projects

Business Advisory Council

The teacher bootcamp video is available here. Denise Benson, a high school math teacher at Lexington was the winner of the 3D Printer provided by IST. I have been added to the Manufacturing Day Committee facilitated by Regional Manufacturing Coalition (RMC). The group is planning the Manufacturing Day tours tentatively for October 5, 2023. Included in the day will be OSU Mansfield, who is setting up six manufacturing stations in two of their buildings. These stations will allow for 120-140 students to be engaged at a time. Plans are underway to begin marketing and training for the Workforce Academy Pre-Apprenticeship Program to our schools. We are tentatively planning to provide the instructional workshop version of the program on November 21, 2023 at Mid-Ohio. The first Mid-Ohio Business Advisory Council meeting will take place on September 27, 2023 at Mid-Ohio.

After School & Summer Learning Grants (SPARC Council) "READY FOR HIRE"

The compliance survey required by the Ohio Department of Education through their contracted entity, the University of Cincinnati reporting the yearly activity as it pertained to the After School activities held last school year is complete. Summer paid internships for students are still underway and will conclude in late August. The Tomorrow Center will become a Ready For Hire After School Program Site for Morrow County beginning in October of this year.

21st Century Community Learning Center Grants

This week The Ohio Department of Education announced that the Office of 21CCLC will now be under the "Department of Children and Youth," office of "Future Forward" directed by Jana Fornario. She is the Executive Director of ESSER ARP State Activities currently. Under the FY24 Safer Communities Act, Ohio received \$1.7 million in Supplemental Funds for attendance and engagement in middle schools and high schools. Because of this, Shannon Teague announced that there will be \$22,000 in additional money awarded to our 21CCLC grants at Galion middle and high schools for supporting chronic absenteeism. Middle and High School grantees must participate in mandatory virtual training as a result of receiving these funds.

Professional Development provided by the Ohio State University Family Engagement Center is now required for 21CCLC grantees. We will be participating in sessions provided as part of the "21CCLC Cafe," a professional learning community for out of school time providers.