



**Mid-Ohio Board of Governors**  
**Carrie Wood, Director of Teaching and Learning**  
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**Teaching & Learning and Gifted Department:**

1. We continue to work with districts in prepping for our T&L new service related to compliance with the dyslexia law next year. There were some changes in the Governor's budget with transfer students and screening requirements. It was exciting to read that the budget has allowed for more potential services regarding "science of reading" curriculum.
2. We have solidified the HQIM state initiative that has also allowed an opportunity to participate in Math HQIM implementation with Hillsdale. Our math consultant, Rebecca Kidney, will be learning with Instruction Partners with this project. The initiative will bring 15,000 to our T&L Department.
3. Mid-Ohio T&L and Leadership and Achievement
4. The June Literacy Academy went well. Amber and I had a full house and positive feedback. We will both present at the OAGC state conference this October.
5. The AL and CLSD grant efforts successfully culminated the school year and will start work on August 1
6. The Gifted department is working on the summer book study and prepared the new Student Events Flyer highlighted for media release this week.
7. The T&L literacy department hosted a dyslexia module session for teachers that needed to complete compliance to culminate the year. Districts were appreciative of the opportunity.
8. The ODE Controlling Board secured our contract for Gov. DeWine's project. I've already begun the work of finding qualified coaches. This will be an exciting opportunity for Mid-Ohio and I'm honored to be able to lead it with Dr. Burke. We are serving the NW quad of the state. Our ODE assignments will concentrate near the lake in Lorain, Erie, Huron and Sandusky. ODE would like us to start with a small group of coaches and grow it for next year. This is related to when the funding is released for ODE. The state funding for this project significantly increases for FY 25. Thank you to all the directors and board members who have helped me connect with candidates! Someone applied and will be joining our coaching team for the Governor's project. Welcome, Regina Sackman!
9. As you know I will be transitioning to the new role of Director of Literacy in the project referenced above. Amber Clay- Mowry will transition into this role under the new title, as the Director of Leadership and Learning. Amber has been hard at work already as we have met to ensure a smooth transition here at our ESC and with our

districts. She and I have known each other for years and I consider her one of the top leaders in the state regarding leadership, curriculum and data informed school improvement.

I have enjoyed my time working with T&L, gifted and grants and have hopefully left it stronger and excited to see how Amber's expertise will continue that growth! We both love being here and will continue to work for the best outcomes for the districts and our strength as an exemplar ESC in the state.

**Thank you for your support of me, and of our department!**

**Sincerely,  
Carrie Wood**