



Mid-Ohio Board of Governors August Update

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Literacy Coaching Project Updates:

Read Ohio Coaches: Our team is fourteen strong!

Mid-Ohio has the highest number of coaches in the state project rounding out our high-quality support for the northwest quad in the Read Ohio project in 9 counties and 14 schools!



The Read Ohio Project coaches join Mid-Ohio! They are pictured here at our All-Staff Day on August 7. They enjoyed a welcome presentation from Board President Theaker, Superintendent Kimmel and Dr. Burke during our meeting. Thank you!

Back row: Ashley Grueshaber, Whitney Imhoff, Julie Kemper, Sarah Klenk, Haley Bryant, Hannah Sheetz, Kyrie Lee, Tiffany Lloyd

Front row: Tiffany O'Neil, Molly Taylor, Lisa Cook, Adriann Finkler, Wendy Henige, Leah Kelley

Read Ohio Network:

It's an exciting time to be supporting literacy efforts in Ohio. With the governor's commitment to the science of reading, shifts in policies related to literacy and increased funding for educators and districts in support of literacy learning and implementation in the biennium budget, there is much to do this coming year! The Department's focus for this year is helping support literacy implementation across Ohio, so that the many literacy policies we have in place are sustained; not just boxes to check off for compliance.

The Read Ohio Network will play a pivotal role in supporting the implementation of high-quality literacy instruction and systems that bridge the components of these policies as levers for overall literacy improvement. Our role is to support and empower schools and districts to effectively implement best practices in literacy to meet the needs of all learners.

We will meet as a network monthly to learn together, problem-solve and plan for supports needed statewide. These meetings typically occur on the first Tuesday of the month and are held in-person or virtually, depending on the month.

Read Ohio Newsletter: The state's data analyst, Sherine Tambaraja, is utilizing a report prepared by Candy Bores for the Governor's meeting regarding the Early and Adolescent Newsletter engagement data. Candy helps me provide the project stakeholders with monthly resources for all teachers and leaders in the district that partner with our project. This year we will serve over 120 schools.

August Mid-Ohio/ ReadOhio and State work:

- ReadOhio start day cohort 1 (in schools) August 1
- ReadOhio start day cohort 2 (virtual and in-person onboarding August 5-12)
- ReadOhio meeting August 6 (Toledo team) and Staff Day August 7
- Science of Reading Facilitator training/direct supervision meet (Lorain team) for NW team cohort 1 August 12 Westerville/State Library
- State Kickoff K-12 All quads, all teams
- Student Focused Coaching Training (in-person) cohort 2 only August 13-15 in Columbus
- August 16-30: AIM Institute independent modules, record keeping system training, virtual and in-person region (state regions 1,2,7) team check ins, Community of Practice meets, District and school leader orientation meetings.

Thank you for your support,

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