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OUR MISSION

The mission of the Lake County Regional Office of Education is to serve as an advocate for education by providing effective leadership, performing regulatory functions in partnership with the Illinois state board of education as directed by the School Code of Illinois, coordinating and delivering state and local services, and disseminating information to educators, school districts and the community.



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WE SERVE 45 DISTRICTS

214 Public School Buildings

29 Non-Public School Buildings

25 Stand Alone Administration Buildings

4 Charter Schools

1 Regional Safe School

1 Technology Campus

8411 Teachers

1102 Substitutes

899 Administrators

2532 Paraprofessionals

3226 Service Personnel
(Social Workers, psychologists, School Nurses, Speech Language Pathologists, School Counselor)



COMPLIANCE VISITS

Health Life Safety

All public schools in Lake County are inspected annually. Compliance visits are conducted in rotation on four year cycles.

The Regional Office of Education Conducted 12 Public and 12 Non-Public School Compliance Visits



COMPLIANCE VISITS

LICENSURE

The licensure department supports Lake County school districts and educators with licensure questions. The educators rely on the ROE to assist with understanding the requirements to gain first time licensure in Illinois, as well as adding endorsements or approvals to an existing license, and professional development requirements.

The school districts rely on the ROE to provide information for hiring purposes regarding license type, and endorsements held as well as to process rush requests when necessary. The districts often contact licensure to help interpret school code.

The ROE licensure department goes out to the districts on a four-year rotation for the purpose of compliance audits. ISBE regulates that we must hold on site review of the personnel files during these audit periods.



The Regional Office of Education issues building permits for all school building projects subject to the requirements of Administrative Code. The ROE architect reviews the plans and then communicates with the district and the HLS team on the specific project.

During the 2018-2019 school year, the ROE reviewed and issued the following permits.

Building	Occupancy	Demolition	Totals
1 New Structures	0	0	1
110 Major Renovations	104	0	214
5 Building Additions	8	0	13
Total 116	112	0	228

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION





REGIONAL SAFE SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Regional Safe School Program of serves disruptive students in grades 6 – 12 who have received multiple suspensions, are eligible for expulsion, or have been expelled from school. The students we serve often face long-term issues such as domestic violence, poverty, and drug and alcohol abuse, which influence their behavior in the classroom.

Our goal is to provide students with techniques to improve their decision-making skills that affect their:

- ▶ school, home, and community life
- ▶ school attendance and academic performance
- ▶ ability to transition successfully to a traditional school, work, or other positive environments.





We provide a variety of researched based workshops and COOP engagement in content areas including:

- Mathematics
- Science & STEAM
- English Language Arts
- Social Science
- Technology Integration



64 Workshops
1198 Attendees
COOP For in-service development of 345 days.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES DIVISION



The immediate goal of the program is to reduce truancy and the dropout rate. The long-term goal is to have all students graduate from high school. We received 1,031 truancy referrals during school year 2018 - 2019

ATD provides comprehensive truancy prevention and intervention services for All Lake County School Districts. This program coordinates efforts between school districts, parents, community agencies, and social service agencies.

ATTENDANCE & TRUANCY DIVISION



17 Initial classes held

45 Refresher Trainings

Active Drivers in Lake
County 2855

BUS DRIVER TRAINING



HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY (GED)

Illinois law requires the Regional Superintendent of Schools to administer the High School Equivalency (HSE) testing program. The Lake County office does this in coordination with the Illinois Community College Board and the College of Lake County.

204 Passed the new version
of the HSE

1267 Requests for verification
including requests for new,
duplicate certificates and
transcripts



MCKINNEY-VENTO HOMELESS

Laws & Provisions

The (Federal) McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act, and the Illinois Education for Homeless Children Act ensures homeless children have a right to:



A free, appropriate public education including a priority to preschool programs



The choice of staying in the school of origin or attending any public school that non-homeless students who live in the attendance area in which the child is living are eligible to attend



Immediate enrollment even when required documents cannot be produced at the time of enrollment



Assistance with transportation, if needed



ROE FINANCE

The ROE is funded by the following revenue resources:

- Lake County Funds
- State Grants
- Service Fees



ROE FINANCE

105 ILCS 5/2-3.17a – Requires the Auditor General to audit as of June 30th each year the financial statements.

ROE's contract with an independent accounting firm to prepare their financial statements. These statements must be available no later than August 31st.

Per the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA) it is required the following documents to be submitted through the GATA portal:

- Financial Statements
- Independent Auditor's Report
- Consolidated Year-End Financial Report w/in Relation to Opinion.
- Audit Firm's Peer Review Letter.
- Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings (200.511 (b)), if applicable.
- Corrective Action Plan (200.511 (c)), if applicable.
- Management Letters and any other communications from the auditor required by AU325, if applicable.





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ON BEHALF OF THE REGIONAL
OFFICE OF EDUCATION, I WOULD
LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU.

