Re Consortium Newsletter

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FINDING YOUR FLOW

Is anyone else surprised that it is already October? This month's newsletter is all about FINDING YOUR FLOW - your goal is to move from the survival mode often felt at the beginning of the school year to a more grounded and confident path. You will find comfort in developing routines

I encourage Mentors and Resident Educators to complete the "Try This" task and discuss the "Connect & Reflect" questions. Consider reviewing the
resources provided in the "Resource Corner" of this month's newsletter to continue your conversation.

Please enjoy this month's newsletter, and remember: You are not alone. We're in this together! Feel free to reach out to us at the ESCLEW with any questions or to celebrate your wins!

> "Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out."
> —Robert Collier

Try This

One small idea. One opportunity to grow.
Each month features an easy-to-implement challenge to support your growth and confidence as a teacher.

Identify one part of your lesson that consistently feels awkward, rushed, or inefficient. Spend 5 minutes with your mentor brainstorming one small change to try.

OHIO RESIDENT EDUCATOR PROGRAM
The Journey to Excellence

QUICK LINKS

- Ohio SBOE Resident Educator Program Site
- ESCLEW Resident Educator Consortium Site
- ESCLEW Resident Educator Year 1 Site
- ESCLEW Resident Educator Year 2 Site

SPOTLIGHT ON PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

TIP #1: SOCIAL MEDIA TIPS

Be smarter than your smartphone.

Most educators carry smart phones that give them photo, video and texting opportunities and the instant ability to post, like or snap. But these social media opportunities can blur the line between work and personal life.

Click the links below for additional information about these standards.

- #ABConduct Tip Sheets
- Licensure Code of Professional Conduct for Ohio Educators (pdf)

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RE YEAR 1 & 2 UPDATES

Resident Educators should work collaboratively with their mentor on the following items listed below:

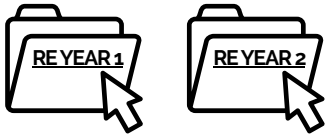
- Develop a system to keep your RE work organized, as well as ensure you understand the program requirements
- Get to know your mentor and set up a schedule/routine to meet regularly
- Determine a way to communicate with your mentor (Google Doc, email, etc.) when you have concerns or questions outside of your regular meeting times
- Talk to your district Program Coordinator if you have questions about the RE program and the changes to it
- Add all RE Consortium meeting dates, as well as district dates, to your calendar. The next ESCLEW RE Consortium meeting is for all REs and mentors on November 12th from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm at the ESCLEW (2275 Collingwood Blvd).

Connect & Reflect

Make time for meaningful conversation.
Take a few minutes to reflect on these questions that are connecting to the newsletter's theme each month.

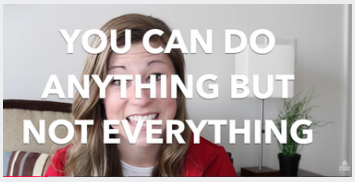
- *What part of your teaching feels most natural right now?*
- *Does anything feel harder than expected?*
- *Where are you spending more time or energy than you'd like?*
- *What classroom routine is working particularly well? Why do you think?*

RE CONSORTIUM SHARED GOOGLE DRIVE FOLDERS

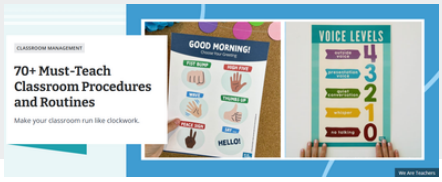


RESOURCE CORNER

Time Management Tips for Teachers (video)
Teachers can do anything, but not everything (even though we wish we could)! Check our this video for some time management tips that may help you find your flow.



70+ Must-Teach Classroom Procedures & Routines (article)
This article has ideas for classroom procedures and routines in many categories; including hand signals, dismissal, turning in work, and work time. Jump to a category that may benefit you the most.



Time Management Tips with New Secondary Teachers (article)
These ideas can help you manage tasks like a veteran and begin to find a sustainable work-life balance right from the start. These tips are helpful for all new teachers, not just secondary!

Thank you for reading!

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