

November 18, 2009

Listed below are the Administrators' Academy courses that ROE 51 will be offering:

- **Improving Teacher Performance Through Learning-Focused Supervision (AAC #497)**

This Academy course will explore the shift from teacher-focused supervision to learning-focused supervision. Participants will learn how to promote the growth of teachers toward greater understandings of their students' learning, examine the standards-driven protocols for conversations that promote the three C's of professional excellence, gain an understanding of the Supervisory Continuum that moves from Consulting, to Collaborating, to Coaching, while continually Calibrating present practice with performance.

Date: December 14, 2009 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. ROE 51 Staff Development Center
Presenter: Dr. Don Kachur

- **Significant Legal Issues and Practical Applications in Special Education (AAC #70)**

This Academy course will address many of the common special education issues faced by districts and how administrators can ensure compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) and the Illinois State Board of Education's Rules and Regulations for Special Education. **The course includes updates on recent court cases and Section 504.**

Date: February 23, 2010 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. ROE 51 Staff Development Center
Presenter: Dr. Mary Loken

- **Rethinking the Senior Year: Model Programs for Keeping Seniors Engaged (AAC #503)**

This Academy course will equip educational leaders with the knowledge, skills and strategies necessary to conduct a review of the senior high school year and effect improvements that can vastly increase the lifelong value of this culmination of the students' K-12 education. Participants will rethink approaches to working with high school seniors, building upon a philosophical framework that embraces the themes of transition, self-advocacy, and community service. Participants will learn how to implement a yearlong service project, identify and address important transition issues, design a Senior Institute, encourage project-based and student-directed learning, and foster powerful mentoring relationships that can positively affect the entire school culture.

Date: May 6, 2009 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. ROE Staff Development Center
Presenters: Mr. Larry Rehage & Ms. Janice Dreis (authors of *Making Grade 12 Meaningful*)

- **The Six Secrets of Change: What the Best Leaders Do to Help Their Organizations Survive and Thrive (AAC #674)**

This Academy course will provide an overview of the essential lessons of Michael Fullan's book, *The Six Secrets of Change: What the Best Leaders Do to Help Their Organizations Survive and Thrive*. The discussion will give participants an opportunity to explore key factors that allow organizations to sustain meaningful change. Moreover, participants will learn how they can use the six secrets to preempt the development of self destructive leadership and organizational habits.

Date: May 11, 2010 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. ROE 51 Staff Development Center
Presenter: Dr. Larry Busch

- **Developing Community Partnerships to Expand Your Resources (AAC #425)**

School staff needs to understand their roles in attracting and maintaining external support. This course offers administrators and faculty insights on how to understand the importance of creating environments that encourage community collaboration. Strategies will be introduced to help identify and maintain partnerships to develop local awareness and support. Ways to research private and public grant opportunities and locate alternative funding sources will also be explored.

Date: May 19, 2010 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. ROE 51 Staff Development Center
Presenter: Dr. Carole Brooks

- **Building Leadership Capacity through Teacher Leaders (AAC #498)**

School districts and school buildings across the State are recognizing the benefits of formalizing teacher leadership programs to improve instruction and student achievement. Participants will learn how schools have expanded teachers' roles and responsibilities and instituted rewards and recognition programs to give teacher leaders new and increasing importance as the challenges of improving classroom instruction continues. Participants will explore the leadership characteristics and skills that a successful teacher leader must possess; how teacher leader groups lead instructional change and improvement; and learn what expanded training and support can do for teacher leaders in order for them to be effective in their new role.

Date: June 9, 2010 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. ROE 51 Staff Development Center
Presenter: Dr. Don Kachur

- **Dealing with Difficult Teachers and Parents (and with Teachers and Parents in Difficult Situations) – (AAC #212)**

This Academy course will provide valuable tools for administrators to deal with difficult teachers and parents. Educational leaders will learn and practice specific strategies that they can take back to their school the next day. This workshop will enable administrators to develop a repertoire of tools and skills for more comfortable and effective interaction with staff and parents.

Date: June 10, 2010 8:30 – 3:30 p.m. ROE Staff Development Center
Presenter: Dr. Phil Silsby

- **A Framework for Understanding Poverty (AAC #49)**

This Academy course is designed to introduce administrators to the work of Ruby Payne in relation to the understanding of how poverty affects student behavior and learning and identifying discipline interventions that are effective.

Date: June 15, 2010 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. ROE 51 Staff Development Center
Presenter: Ms. Jill Grove