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Annual Report

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LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear McHenry County Education Stakeholders,

I am honored to present the McHenry County Regional Office of Education's 2023 Annual Report. This report provides insight into how the ROE supported education during the 2022-2023 school year.



This report is an overview and is not inclusive of all the services and collaborative partnerships the Regional Office of Education provides as an educational leader for the benefit of the schools and citizens of McHenry County.

This report uses information from reports of our programs and services and from reports at the Illinois State Board of Education website. This is comprehensive as possible but will not encompass every activity.

The mission of the McHenry 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.

On behalf of the Regional Office of Education, we thank you. Our best wishes to the students, teachers, service providers, administrators, and district personnel at our 18 school districts, 1 safe school, multiple private schools for continued success in the current school year and future.

Sincerely,

Diana Hartmann

WHAT'S NEW AT THE ROE

The Regional Office of Education moved on December 15/16, 2022, to 408 S. Rt. 31, McHenry IL 60050. This allows the office to open a Pearson testing center on site. Educational state testing is done through Pearson as well as multiple other industry exams.

The Evergreen Academy relocated from Union, IL to McHenry, IL in August 2023.

ABOUT US

The Regional Office of Education currently takes appointments for work permits, fingerprinting, and high school diploma/transcripts requests. Please call 815.334.3039 to make an appointment.

Services include the following:

- Work permits for minor children ages 0-15
- Fingerprinting and background checks
- High school diplomas and transcripts
- New and renewal licensure support

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Attendance and Truancy

The Attendance and Truancy Division is McHenry County's truancy and dropout prevention program funded by the Illinois State Board of Education since 1985. The division is an intervention toll that is available to all schools in McHenry County. Intervention occurs when schools refer students for poor attendance/truancy. Outreach and truancy staff complete an assessment of all students referred and with input from both the school and family, develop an individualized service plan tailored to each student. The staff acts as referral agents and on-going liaisons between the schools, families, and community resources.

Regional Safe School

The Regional Safe School Program of McHenry County serves disruptive students in grades 6-12 who have received multiple suspensions, are eligible for expulsion, or have been expelled from school in McHenry County. The students we serve often face long-term issues such as domestic violence, poverty, and drug and alcohol abuse, which influence behavior in the classroom. Our goal is to provide students with techniques to improve their decision-making skills that affect their school and home life, attendance and performance, and ability to transition to work or further schooling.

Education Services

The Educational Services Division provides a wide variety of professional learning opportunities that are action-oriented and focused on measurable results. We collaborate with educators and school leaders to implement research-based practices in education that support the development of needed skills in students. Administrator academies, guest speakers, workshops, and on-site training that aligns to district goals is delivered. We are committed to providing high quality personalized professional learning for our educators and administrators. We are continuously seeking opportunities to form new partnerships to support McHenry County districts.

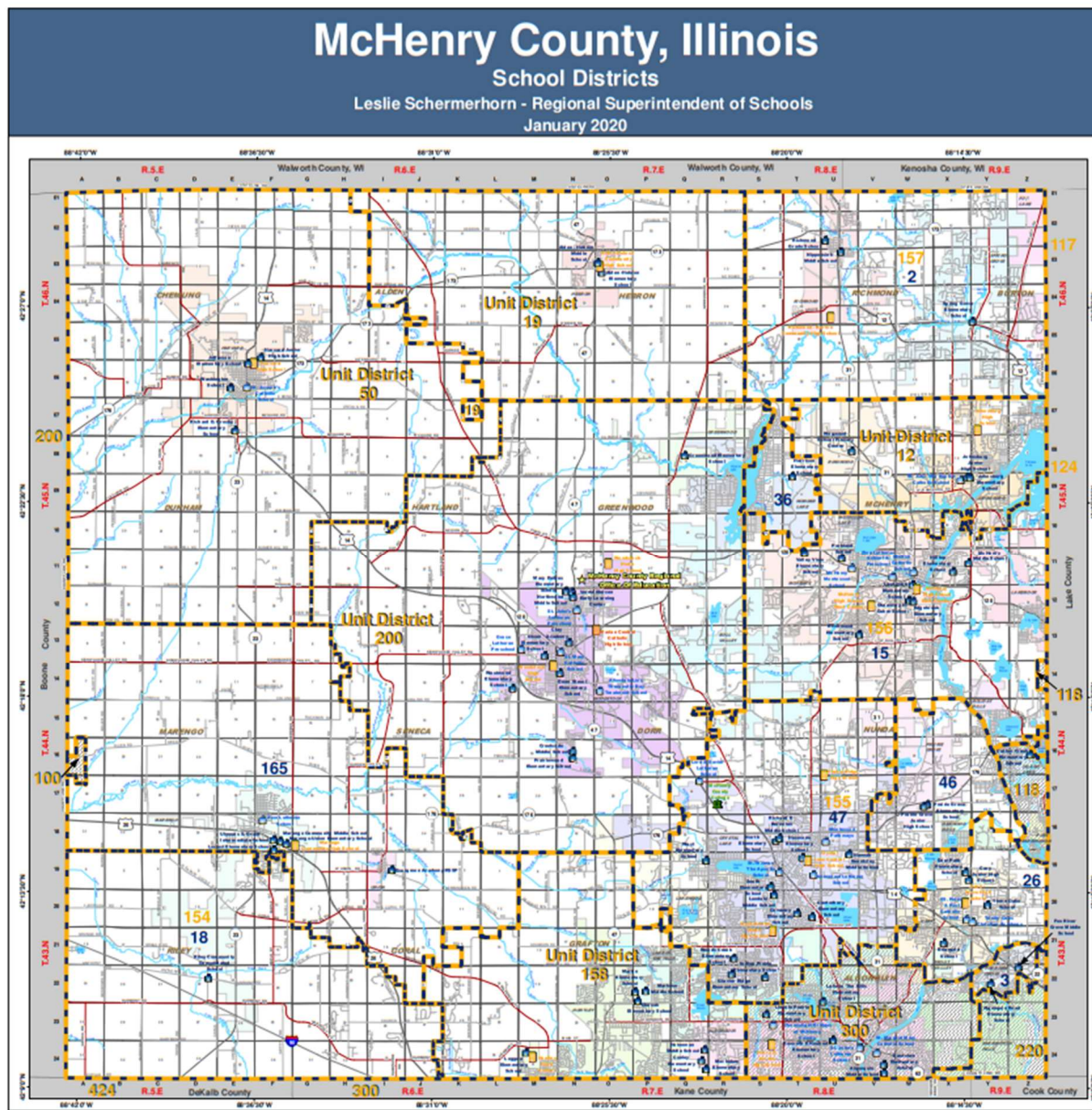
WHO WE SERVE

Schools/Buildings:

- 76 Public Schools
- 27 Non-Public Schools (K-12)
- 9 Non-Public Schools (Pre-K)
- 1 Regional Safe School

Professionals:

- 316 Administrators
- 3,390 Teachers
- Substitutes
- Paraprofessionals
- Service Personnel (Social Workers, Psychologists, School Nurses, Speech Language Pathologists, School Counselors)



Attendance & Truancy Division

Total Referrals: 334 (Aug '22 – May '23)

Home Visits: 1,500+

Reason: Chronic Truancy: 334

School Visits: 600+

Comparison by Gender

Male: 224

Female: 110

Letters Sent: 334

Truancy Hearings: 58

Truancy by Grade

Elementary (K-5): 114

Court Cases: 12

Health Life Safety & Compliance Visits

Annual Health/Life Safety Inspections Completed: 81

Construction Permits Issue: 91

Compliance Visits: Public: 4 Districts / 18 Schools
Non-Public: 2 Schools

Bus Driver Trainings

Initial Classes: 12 classes 128 drivers

Refresher Classes: 33 classes 799 drivers



Background Check / Fingerprinting

Background Check / Fingerprints Submitted: 981

Substitute Background Check / Fingerprints Submitted: 248

The Regional Office of Education provides fingerprinting services for most McHenry County Schools. Both public and non-public schools along with independent cab companies. The Illinois School Code requires all new employees to have both a State and FBI criminal background check. The electronic submission of fingerprints allows the Schools or the ROE to typically receive results within 24- 72 hours, so the employment can start quickly.

High School Equivalency (HSE)

143 Requests for verification including requests for new, duplicate certificates and transcripts.

Minor Work Permits

224 Requests for minor work permits.

Educational Services Division

Workshops Held: 9

<u>Workshop Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
Student Motivation & SEL	2/8/2023
AA#1448 - Teacher Evaluator Competency Skill Building for Pre-Qualified Teacher Evaluator Danielson Domains 2 and 3	3/14/2023
Social Worker's Workshop	4/11/2023
Safety Meeting	4/25/2023
AA#3925 - Believe: From the Pitch to the Classroom – Leadership Lessons From the Lasso Way	6/26/2023
AA#4003 - Strategic Planning: The Pursuit of Excellence	8/8/2023
AA#2001 - 2-Day Initial Teacher Evaluator Training	8/24-25/2023
Technology Roundtables	12/8/2023
AA#3700 - Administrators Guide to the Fundamentals of Health Life Safety and Compliance	12/8/2023

Pearson Testing Center

Pearson Testing Center exams range from educator licensing, high school equivalency, and over 200 exams for various industries outside of education. The testing center is open during normal business hours. The testing center typically has well over 100 testers per month.

Sixth Day Enrollment Figures

September 2020 – 2023

District	2020	2021	2022	2023
Nippersink 2	1,136	1,051	1,100	1,102
Fox River Grove 3	393	384	395	408
Johnsburg 12	1,807	1,678	1,662	1,703
McHenry 15	4,332	4,062	4,029	4,079
Riley 18	277	258	270	270
Alden-Hebron 19	410	369	407	438
Cary 26	2,460	2,280	2,350	2,302
Harrison 36	375	362	357	402
Prairie Grove 46	712	680	769	813
Crystal Lake 47	7,316	7,006	6,973	7,109
Harvard 50	2,679	2,561	2,502	2,510
Marengo 154	658	657	655	685
Crystal Lake 155	5,772	5,674	5,583	5,405
McHenry 156	2,146	2,146	2,185	2,222
Richmond-Burton 157	611	580	565	549
Huntley 158	9,109	8,776	8,590	8,595
Marengo-Union 165	1,036	977	1,007	1,055
Woodstock 200	6,322	6,001	6,167	6,159

Totals 47,551 45,502 45,566 45,806



Regional Board of School Trustees

The McHenry County Regional Board of School Trustees is an elected board comprised of seven members. This elected board hears petitions for annexations, detachments, and changes in school district boundaries. The Regional Superintendent acts as the Ex-Officio Secretary to the Board. The Regional Office maintains all records of petitions filled in the region.

The main responsibilities of the Regional Board of School Trustees are:

- Hearing and disposal of petitions for change of school district boundaries
- Hearing and disposal of petitions by school districts to withdraw from Joint Agreements/Cooperatives
- Appointment of appraisers and approval of final settlements in the division of assets when new districts are formed

Regional Board of School Trustees meetings are held quarterly in January, April, July, and October; special meetings are scheduled as necessary. We appreciate the service of the following individuals who are currently serving.

Trustee	Service Began	Current Term Expires
Karen Tirio Elected Chairperson	2021	2027
Tonya Franklin	2023	2025
William Stanton	2023	2029
Adria Tyndall	2023	2029
Tim Sebastian	2023	2025
Brian Meyers	2023	2027
Jacquice Smith	2023	2027

Staff Directory

Administrative Team Diana Hartmann, Ed. S. Christopher Zielinski	Regional Superintendent Assistant Regional Superintendent	dkhartmann@mchenrycountyil.gov cmzielinski@mchenrycountyil.gov
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Educator Licensure Annette Jablonski	Educator Licensure	aajablonski@mchenrycountyil.gov
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Regional Safe School Scott Whipple	Principal	(815) 239-0001



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