

Annual Report 2019

BOONE-WINNEBAGO REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION



Mr. Scott Bloomquist
Regional Superintendent of Schools

Mrs. Allison Pierson
Assistant Regional Superintendent

MISSION STATEMENT

The Boone-Winnebago
Regional Office of Education
acts as an advocate for education
by providing positive leadership,
performing regulatory functions
as directed by
the Illinois School Code
and the Illinois State
Board of Education,
coordinating and delivering
state and local services,
and disseminating information
for educators,
school districts,
and the community.

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

The Boone-Winnebago Regional Office of Education is dedicated to providing quality services and programs to meet the needs of our districts, administration and teachers, and ultimately the students in our area.

I want to thank Dr. Lori Fanello for her leadership at the Regional Office of Education. Her career spanned nearly two decades as a consultant, Assistant Regional Superintendent and Regional Superintendent supporting countless staff and students.

Our annual report is the year-end summary to our county boards and school districts. It is also a reference to the area citizens of the services provided by our Regional Office. We have included an updated staff directory, selected statistics for the school districts in the region, and the members of the Regional Board of School Trustees.

There have been many changes in licensure, mandates, life-long learning and curriculum over the past year. Please go to our ROE website (www.roe4.org) for updates. To assist the community we have a Pearson Authorized Testing Center that administers HSE testing, Educator Licensure exams and several Active Client Exams. We also offer the ETS Parapro exam a few times each month.

We continue to work behind the scenes providing professional development for teachers and administrators, assisting substitutes, paras and educators with licensure procedures, approving new school construction and remodeling so that schools will be safe for students and teachers, training school bus drivers and assisting with court involved students.

Our ROE serves nearly 400 students each day through our Alternative Schools and thousands of students struggling with truancy and homelessness.

I want to thank the County Boards of Boone and Winnebago for their continuous support in providing financial assistance and resources to our Regional Office of Education.

It is an honor to serve the staff, districts, and community at the ROE!

Sincerely,

Mr. Scott Bloomquist
Regional Superintendent of Schools

DUTIES OF THE REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT

<p>FISCAL</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approves and files school treasurers' bonds • Examines school district financial reports • Approves fiscal reports submitted to the Illinois State Board of Education • Distributes some state and federal funds
<p>ADMINISTRATIVE</p> <p><i>Advises . . .</i></p> <p><i>Monitors . . .</i></p> <p><i>Inspects . . .</i></p> <p><i>Reviews . . .</i></p> <p><i>Approves . . .</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advises school districts on educational legal issues and the Illinois School Code • Monitors school districts for compliance with state mandates • Conducts in-service workshops • Provides technical assistance to educators regarding licensure • Provides school bus driver training classes • Administers HSE testing and issues HSE certificates • Inspects all school buildings for compliance with the Health Life Safety Code • Approves building plans and applications for life safety work in public schools • Keeps a current file of all life safety surveys, building permits, amendments, certificates of compliance and extensions of time • Keeps a current map of school district boundaries • Registers home school students • Reviews and approves school district applications and reports to the Illinois State Board of Education • Arranges hearings on petitions filed for school district annexation/detachment and consolidation • Serves as Ex-Officio Secretary of the Regional Board of School Trustees • Provides employee criminal background check fingerprint service for school districts

DISTRIBUTION OF STATE and FEDERAL PROGRAM FUNDS

STATE/FEDERAL DISBURSEMENTS to Boone and Winnebago County Schools

During the fiscal 2018-2019 school year, state and federal funds of \$4,828,062 were distributed through the Regional Office to local districts and non-public entities. Due to the Illinois State Board of Education mandated electronic fund transfer, many grants do not flow through the Regional Office but are sent directly to the school districts.

	2018-2019	2017-2018
GENERAL STATE AID	2,167,584	2,171,302
Career/Tech Education (CTEI)	819,836	799,846
Pilot Safe Schools	46,903	49,050
Regional Safe Schools	167,859	167,859
ROE/ISC Operations	176,782	183,627
ROE School Bus Driver Training	2,251	2,193
State free Breakfast/Lunch	2,323	1,333
Technology for Success	0	0
Truants Alternative/Optional Education	316,384	316,384
Other State Programs	279,022	117,116
FEDERAL GRANTS		
CTE-Perkins-Secondary	705,890	605,017
National School Breakfast Program	47,312	38,034
National School Lunch Program	92,348	73,588
TITLE I-School Improvement/Acct	0	459,535
TITLE II - Teacher Quality	0	0
TITLE II - Teacher Quality-Leadership	3,568	3,800
TOTAL		
*Audit pending	*4,828,062	4,988,684

PROGRAMS

<p>THE REGIONAL ATTENDANCE COOPERATIVE</p> <p>"to improve student attendance and prevent dropouts . . ."</p>	<p>The Regional Attendance Cooperative (RAC) is part of a statewide effort to improve student attendance and prevent dropouts. RAC serves Boone and Winnebago Counties excluding Rockford District #205 and works with students, families, schools and community agencies to promote student success and prevent youth from dropping out of school. RAC also provides technical support to facilitate school-based projects designed to enhance student success.</p> <p>During FY2019, the RAC served 347 truant and chronic students and families with 249 students (71.7%) achieving 90% attendance rate after intervention and 291 (83.7%) improving attendance to allow them to be promoted to the next grade level.</p>
<p>THE REGIONAL LEARNING ACADEMY</p> <p>"to assist an effective transfer back to a regular educational program . . ."</p>	<p>The Regional Learning Academy is the Regional Safe Schools Program for Boone and Winnebago Counties. RLA serves students who are habitually disruptive or have been recommended to the program by a served district. The program works with students who are younger than 18 and in grades 6-12.</p> <p>Students are instructed by teachers experienced in multiple curriculum contents including Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Physical Education, Health, English and Business Technology. Enrollment is based on funding levels from the state and can vary from year to year.</p> <p>The program addresses the academic needs as well as the social emotional needs through Individual Learning Plans. The goal of the program is to assist students in making an effective transfer back to a regular educational setting or another alternative program so that the student can reach their particular educational goals.</p>
<p>STAR-WINNEBAGO and STAR-BOONE THE REGIONAL LEARNING CENTER</p> <p>"educational options for young people 16 to 21"</p>	<p>The Regional Learning Center provides educational options for students who are 16 to 21 years old who have left school prior to graduation. The site locations are at STAR Winnebago and STAR Boone. The programs offer full-time academic classes via online learning and instructor led classes.</p> <p>The Regional Learning Center offers a multi-disciplinary curriculum that a student can use toward graduation or High School Equivalency testing. Academic skill building is offered throughout the programs that allows students to progress at their pace toward successful completion of the program. In addition, the program works with students on job seeking skills, resume building, academic counseling, truancy intervention, and drug/alcohol recovery support. Enrollment is based on funding levels from the state and can vary from year to year.</p>

PROGRAMS

CEANCI works with school districts to create access, alignment, efficiency and partnerships for high school students in Career and Technical Education programs. It's an exciting time to be in this education field, as CTE moves to play a vital role in helping American business close the skills gap by building a competitive workforce for the 21st Century.

CEANCI supports over 100 CTE instructors at the 14 high schools in the Boone, Winnebago and Ogle County region — ultimately impacting over 14,000 high school students in any given year. The grants that we administer enable us to provide state of the art technology and equipment, curriculum and materials. We offer opportunities for students to earn industry credentials, access to business partners, professional development for instructors and career exploration experience for students.

CAREER EDUCATION ASSOCIATES OF NORTH CENTRAL ILLINOIS (CEANCI)

Mission Statement

"To prepare and invest in all students for career and college through partnerships that build innovative regional opportunities."

KIDS is a consortium of the Boone-Winnebago and McHenry Regional Offices of Education providing services to educators in the 31 school districts in these three counties.

KIDS:

- supports district and school improvement efforts through professional development and direct services to districts and schools.
- facilitates on-line book studies.
- provides collaboration meetings for curriculum personnel, HR personnel and instructional coaching.
- provides technical assistance, resources and training for curriculum, instruction, assessment, technology and leadership.
- focuses on building capacity and providing resources to educators and administrators and assisting them in their efforts to improve student learning and achievement.
- houses a Lending Library available to district and school staff.

For more information on KIDS, please visit the website at:
www.roe4.org

KIDS (Kishwaukee Intermediate Delivery System)

MISSION STATEMENT:

"to empower schools to improve student learning and achievement"

PROGRAMS

THE REGIONAL ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL	<p>The Regional Alternative School operates at four sites throughout Boone and Winnebago Counties. Our membership districts include Belvidere, Harlem, Hononegah, Pecatonica, North Boone, Rockford, South Beloit, and Winnebago.</p> <p>The program provides an alternative environment where our students progress toward their goals for college and career success. Instructional practices blend online learning and instructor lead classes, to support the students' academic pursuits. Our programs offer academic assistance, job seeking skills, resume building, graduation and career planning, truancy interventions, socio-emotional interventions as well as substance abuse counseling.</p> <p>Program hours are Monday through Thursday 2:30—7:30 and Friday 2:30—5:30.</p>												
High School Equivalency. . . (General Educational Development)	<p>The Regional Office of Education administers the High School Equivalency tests and issues the Illinois State High School Equivalency Certificate. Applicants must be 17 years of age or older, a resident of the state and show proof of eligibility. Brochures and further information are available upon request from our office.</p> <table><tr><td>GED applicants:</td><td>612</td><td>(2018-2019)</td></tr><tr><td>Passed GED exam:</td><td>268</td><td>(2018-2019)</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>305</td><td>(2017-2018)</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>344</td><td>(2016-2017)</td></tr></table>	GED applicants:	612	(2018-2019)	Passed GED exam:	268	(2018-2019)		305	(2017-2018)		344	(2016-2017)
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SCHOOL BUS DRIVER CLASSES	<p>Initial and refresher training classes required for school bus drivers are conducted regularly throughout the year. Schedules are available on our web site.</p> <p>Training classes held:</p> <table><tr><td colspan="2"><u>2018-2019</u></td><td colspan="2"><u>2017-2018</u></td></tr><tr><td>Refresher</td><td>32</td><td>Refresher</td><td>26</td></tr><tr><td>Initial</td><td>11</td><td>Initial</td><td>11</td></tr></table> <p><i>*In 2018-2019, 830 drivers took the Refresher Course and 175 drivers took the Initial Course.</i></p>	<u>2018-2019</u>		<u>2017-2018</u>		Refresher	32	Refresher	26	Initial	11	Initial	11
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SERVICES

Fingerprint Based Criminal History Record Checks

Live Scan fingerprints are conducted on all public and private school personnel including contractors who are being employed by the Boone and Winnebago school districts. Both State and FBI databases are included. The Illinois Sex Offender and Violent Offender Against Youth websites are checked that an applicant is not on the list. The check must be initiated prior to commencing employment. Reports are sent electronically to the school district. ROE also fingerprints for Illinois Department of Public Health workers, and some licensing and Illinois gaming locations. ROE is a vendor for FIRM Systems. A total of 2249 fingerprints were completed. The following is an itemization of the fingerprints implemented.

2018-2019 School Year	
	Number fingerprinted
Public & Non-Public School Educators	1,733
UCIA fingerprints field observation Teachers	100
Health Care Workers- IDPH	305
School Bus Drivers	34
Miscellaneous (majority gaming licenses)	77

FINGERPRINTING

The Regional Office of Education serves as a liaison between Illinois State Board of Education evaluators, applicants, and Human Resource Departments of the school districts within Boone and Winnebago counties.

Illinois state law requires all educators to hold valid registered licenses and meet all qualifications in administrative and instructional areas. Educators must register and renew their licenses on-line in accordance with renewal dates.

In addition to providing technical support, the Regional Office of Education maintains substitute and teacher vacancy lists. Counseling is offered to educators to evaluate transcripts to determine courses needed to teach additional subjects. This evaluation is unofficial and does not constitute official approval from Illinois State Board of Education.

TEACHER LICENSURE

The Regional Office of Education is a sub-grant holder for the McKinney-Vento Homeless Student grant for the Boone and Winnebago counties area. During FY2019, 3,140 students were identified by their school districts as homeless under the provisions of the Act. This is a lower number than past years because students awaiting DCFS placement no longer qualify as being homeless. This resulted in an increase of 357% since FY2011.

The Regional Office of Education provides training opportunities for district liaisons, guidance when questions arise and verifies compliance with the Homeless Act.

HOMELESS SERVICES

SERVICES and STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Workshops, conferences, and seminars are conducted for educators, as well as the community, in response to needs identified by individual districts, the region, or as a result of new state mandates affecting schools.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT MEETINGS

Superintendents meet six times a year to discuss current issues of mutual interest and concern. These meetings provide for the dissemination of information, technical assistance and clarification of mandates from the Illinois State Board of Education representatives or the legislature. They provide a forum for an exchange of successful administrative practices.

HEALTH/LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

Each of the public schools and school related buildings in the Boone-Winnebago Region is inspected annually to assure compliance with the Health/Life Safety Code Sec. 180. All public schools are required to be maintained in continual compliance with the minimum standards according to school code. The record of the annual inspection is sent to the president of the local district school board and a summary is filed annually with the State Board of Education as required by law.

Every ten years each public building must be re-surveyed for continued compliance by an architect or engineer licensed in the state of Illinois. The Safety Survey Report generated by this inspection lists any items which need to be corrected to bring the building into full and continual compliance. Funding for life/safety work may be accessed by amendment with the approval of the local school board, the Regional Superintendent, and the State Superintendent of Schools or by levy. Upon completion and inspection by the licensed professional and Regional Office staff, the building is awarded a certificate of completion or compliance.

The Regional Office of Education, through its Regional Superintendent, issues all demolition permits, construction permits, repairs permits, and occupancy permits for public schools in the region.

Records of all amendments and construction information are kept on file in the Regional Office of Education.

EDUCATION
is not the learning
of facts,
but the training
to think.

-- Albert Einstein

PROJECTS/PROGRAMS

REGIONAL SPELLING BEE

The 36th Annual Spelling Bee, sponsored by the Eunice Wishop Stromberg Spelling Bee Endowment Fund and the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois, was held at Harlem High School on March 19, 2019. Each of the winners from 32 public and non-public schools received a medal in an award ceremony at the beginning of the evening. The first, second, and third place regional winners received a VISA gift card and a trophy. The winner of this regional event for 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade students was Avani Joshi a 6th grade student from Roscoe Middle School, Roscoe, IL. The winner received a trip to Washington DC for the National Spelling Bee.

TRUANCY DATA

GENDER		GRADE PLACEMENT	
Female:	91	9 -12:	80
Male:	111	4 - 8:	81
Average age	12	K - 3:	61
COMPARISON BY RACE			
African-American	73	Native Hawaiian	2
Caucasian	73	Native American	0
Hispanic:	38	Multi-race	15
Asian	1		
COMPARISON BY AGE			
5-7 yrs:	14 7%	14-15 yrs:	54 27%
8-10 yrs:	47 23%	16-19 yrs:	32 6%
11-13 yrs:	55 27%		

TRUANCY ANNUAL REPORT 2018 - 2019 SCHOOL YEAR

The Regional Office of Education was responsible for the supervision of 202 educational neglect and truancy cases during the year, making a total of 707 appearances in the courts of the 17th Circuit.

The emphasis on intervention continues to shift more toward filing educational neglect petitions, which have the possibility of consequences, rather than a traditional truancy petition. The process of establishing an educational neglect case takes more time but has proven more effective. In cases where the truancy interventionist believes the student is solely the main person responsible for the lack of attendance, a truancy petition is still filed. Sometimes situations in the student's life can lead the Court to view that it is the best interest of the student to be removed from the home while the situation is addressed by the parents.

Cases are set for one Thursday morning and one Friday morning each month in Winnebago County and one Monday and Thursday afternoon in Boone County. In Winnebago County, the morning calls are at 9:00am enabling the ROE to establish a schedule to allow truancy interventionists and parents/students to minimize waiting time and meet any special scheduling needs.

The Mental Health Juvenile Justice (MHJJ) program at Rosecrance continues to be a great resource for interventionists including mental health referrals and substance abuse plans. Calls to the DCFS hotline for "Child Welfare Service" are increasing. This is an attempt to meet the service needs of students/families and avoid a referral to the court system.

We are proud to say we have a court system and community partners with Youth Services Network, the Dept of Children and Family Services, Youth Services Bureau, Catholic Charities, church Paper Angel Project, Food Pantries, Crusader Clinic and more that assist in the effort to overcome the barriers students face when not attending school.

BOONE - WINNEBAGO
REGIONAL OFFICE OF
EDUCATION

STATISTICS

REGIONAL DATA	NUMBER OF PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS	NUMBER OF PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS	STUDENT ENROLLMENT
	ELEMENTARY DISTRICTS	ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	PUBLIC SCHOOLS 13 DISTRICTS
	4	61	51,913
	HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS	JUNIOR HIGH/ MIDDLE SCHOOLS	NON- PUBLIC SCHOOLS (14 REPORTED)
	1	HIGH SCHOOLS 14	5,970
	UNIT DISTRICTS (k-12)	OTHER BUILDINGS	2018-2019 TOTAL
	8	8	57,883
NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS	<p>The Regional Office of Education has no legal jurisdiction or control over private schools. Services available to non-public schools include Compensatory Education, Food and Nutrition programs, and Vocational and Technical Education. Non-public schools are offered the opportunity to participate in all federal and state funded programs and staff development. Some private and parochial school children who live on school bus routes are transported by public school busses.</p>		
	<p>The Illinois State Board of Education has established guidelines and policies for the registration and voluntary recognition of non-public elementary and secondary schools.</p>		

BOONE-WINNEBAGO COUNTIES STUDENT ENROLLMENT		
District	2018-2019	2017-2018
Belvidere CUSD #100	7997	8003
North Boone CUSD #200	1624	1635
Harlem UD #122	6323	6544
Kinnikinnick CCSD #131	1718	1711
Prairie Hill CCSD #133	705	750
Shirland CCSD #134	111	105
Rockton SD #140	1561	1589
Rockford SD #205	26366	28114
Hononegah CHD #207	2018	2010
County of Winnebago SD #320	884	968
Pecatonica CUSD #321	757	873
Durand CUSD #322	441	610
Winnebago CUSD #323	1408	1371
TOTAL ENROLLMENT	51913	54283

STATISTICS from the District Report Cards

School District	Belvidere	North Boone	Harlem	Kinnikinnick	Prairie Hill	Shirland	Rockton
Low Income %	49	46	56	23	15	35	24
Student Mobility %	8	5	9	3	3	4	6
Homeless %	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Attendance Rate %	94	95	93	96	97	96	96
Graduation Rate %	85	90	84	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Instructional Expenditure Per Student \$	6,946	6,351	7,446	6,361	6,066	6,966	5,592
Operational Expenditure Per Student \$	12,091	12,456	13,764	9,893	9,392	12,967	9,003

School District	Rockford	Hononegah	South Beloit	Pecatonica	Durand	Winnebago	State
Low Income %	64	19	59	27	29	1	49
Student Mobility %	15	7	9	6	7	3	7
Homeless %	6	0	0	1	0	0	2
Attendance Rate %	91	94	94	96	95	96	94
Graduation Rate %	66	92	79	92	100	90	86
Instructional Expenditure Per Student \$	7,400	8,829	6,153	6,466	8,179	7,098	8,172
Operational Expenditure Per Student \$	12,805	13,763	11,115	12,758	14,327	12,183	13,764

For more information or to view School Report Cards, please follow the link, <https://www.illinoisreportcard.com/>.

DIRECTORY OF BOONE-WINNEBAGO SCHOOL DISTRICTS

COUNTY	NAME	ADDRESS	SUPERINTENDENT	TELEPHONE
Boone	#100 Belvidere	1201 Fifth Avenue Belvidere, IL 61008-5125	Dr. Dan Woestman	815-544-0301 FAX 544-4260
	#200 North Boone	6248 North Boone School Road Poplar Grove, IL 61065-0399	Dr. Mike Greenlee	815-765-3322 FAX 765-2053
Winnebago	#122 Harlem	8605 North Second Street Machesney Park, IL 61115	Dr. Julie Morris	815-654-4500 FAX 654-4600
	#131 Kinnikinnick	5410 Pine Street Roscoe, IL 61073-0450	Mrs. Keli Freedlund	815-632-2837 FAX 623-9285
	#133 Prairie Hill	6605 Prairie Hill Road South Beloit, IL 61080-9556	Mr. Clint Czizek	815-389-3964 FAX 389-6107
	#134 Shirland	8020 North Street Shirland, IL 61079-0099	Dr. John Ulferts	815-629-2000 FAX 629-2100
	#140 Rockton	1050 East Union Street Rockton, IL 61072-1698	Mr. Glenn Terry	815-624-7143 FAX 624-4640
	#205 Rockford	501 Seventh Street Rockford, IL 61104-2092	Dr. Ehren Jarrett	815-966-3000 FAX 966-3193
	#207 Hononegah	307 Salem Street Rockton, IL 61072-2630	Mr. Michael Dugan	815-624-2070 FAX 624-5029
	#320 South Beloit	850 Hayes Avenue South Beloit, IL 61080-2119	Mr. Scott Fisher	815-389-3478 FAX 389-3477
	#321 Pecatonica	1300 Main Street Pecatonica, IL 61063-0419	Mr. William Faller	815-239-1639 FAX 239-2125
	#322 Durand	200 West South Street Durand, IL 61024-9403	Mr. Kurt Alberstett	815-248-2171 FAX 248-2599
	#323 Winnebago	304 East McNair Road Winnebago, IL 61088-0098	Dr. John Schwuchow	815-335-2456 FAX 335-7574
	Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative	11971 Wagon Wheel Road Rockton, IL 61072-2927	Sarah Moore Executive Director	815-624-2615 FAX 624-8118

CURRENT SPECIAL SERVICES/SCHOOLS

SPECIAL SERVICES	CEANCI (Career Education Associates of North Central Illinois)	300 Heart Boulevard Loves Park, IL 61111	Margie Hartfiel Director	815-921-8476
	KIDS (Kishwaukee Intermediate Delivery System)	300 Heart Boulevard Loves Park, IL 61111	Scott Bloomquist Director	815-636-3040 FAX 636-3069
ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS	McKinney-Vento Homeless Grant / Regional Attendance Co-Operative	5949 Safford Road Rockford, IL 61101	Harold Sweeney Director	815-972-4384 FAX 636-3069
	Regional Alternative School	5949 Safford Road Rockford, IL 61101	Director, TBD	815-227-8495 FAX 986-2081
	STAR-Boone Regional Learning Academy	1320 East Avenue Belvidere, IL 61008	Director, TBD Todd Skarr, Principal	815-547-8080 FAX 547-8211
	STAR-Winnebago Regional Learning Academy Regional Learning Center	5949 Safford Road Rockford, IL 61101	Director, TBD Craig Pate, Principal	815-227-8495 FAX 986-2081
	High School Equivalency Preparation Programs			
	Roosevelt Community Education Center	978 Haskell Ave. Rockford, IL 61103	Morgan Gallagher Principal	815-966-3250 FAX 921-0332
	Rock Valley College	4151 Samuelson Road Rockford, IL 61109	Patricia Young Director	815-921-2004 FAX 921-2029
COLLEGES	Rockford University	5050 E. State Street Rockford, IL 61108	Dr. Eric W. Fulcomer President	815-226-4000
	Rock Valley College	3301 N. Mulford Road Rockford, IL 61114	Dr. Doug Jensen President	815-921-4001 FAX 921-4005

REGIONAL BOARD of SCHOOL TRUSTEES

BOONE-WINNEBAGO COUNTIES

The Regional Board of School Trustees is elected by the voters of Boone and Winnebago Counties. Seven members serving six-year terms represent different townships of the counties. The Boone-Winnebago Counties Regional Superintendent of Schools serves as Ex-Officio Secretary of the Board.

The Regional Board of School Trustees handles detachment and annexation petitions and consolidations of school districts.

The members of the Regional Board of School Trustees and the year their term expires are as follows:

Robert Phelps, President
Term Expires 2023

Annetta Parker, Vice President
Term Expires 2023

Nancy Holmstrom
Term Expires 2021

Chuck Johnson
Term Expires 2025

Char Remer
Term Expires 2023

Bob Walberg
Term Expires 2025

Todd France
Term Expires 2021

LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENT OF THE OFFICE

The Regional Superintendent is the direct successor to the Commissioner of School Lands, an office that originally had nothing to do with the supervision of schools.

1829

The Sixth General Assembly made it the duty of the body known as the County Board to appoint a competent and responsible person to act as commissioner and agent for the county in the sale of public lands.

1841

The Legislature changed the title to County Commissioner, an ex-Officio County Superintendent of Schools.

1865

The Legislature called for the election of the County Superintendent of Schools.

Until

1973

There were 102 County Superintendents in Illinois—one for each county.

1973

By consolidation of smaller counties into regions, that number was reduced to 78.

1977

Further consolidation of smaller counties reduced the number of regions to 57.

1994

Legislation passed that eliminated the office of the Regional Superintendent in Cook County as of June 30, 1994. Subsequent law allowed for reinstatement on August 7, 1995.

1995

The 57 ESRs were reduced to 45 and the services of the 14 ESCs were included in the largest Regional Offices of Education.

2012

Legislation passed requiring the number of Regional Offices be reduced from 44 to 35 by July 1, 2015.

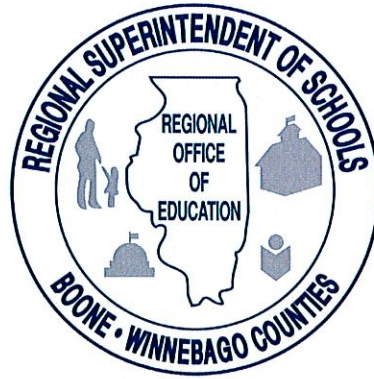
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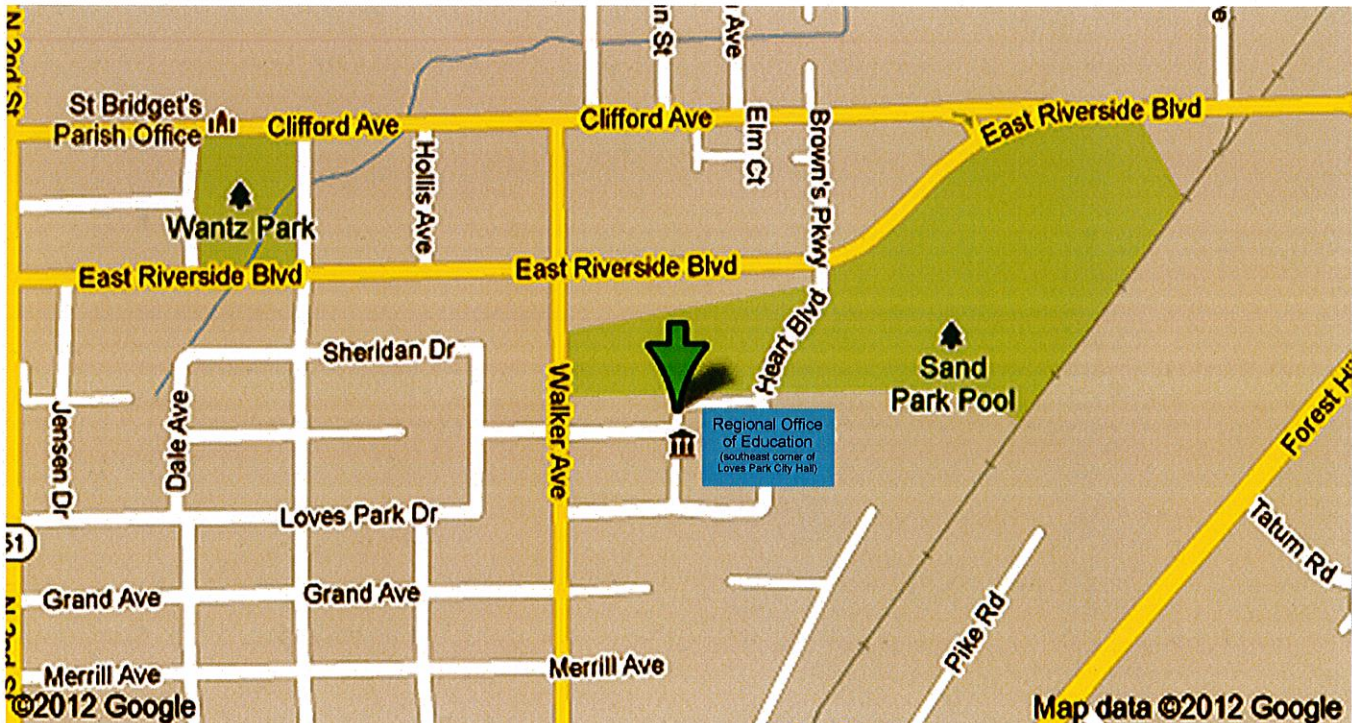
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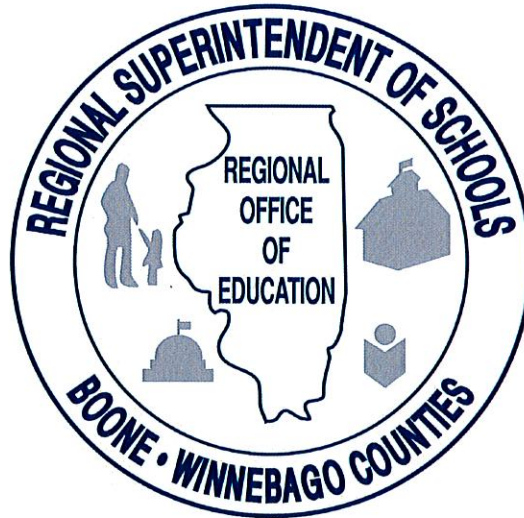
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