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Commissioner’s Memos
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- 2016-2017 Special Education Course Codes
- 2016 Annual School Election Timeline
- K-2 Assessments for 2016-2017
- ADE Release Form for Handbook
- Grades K-2 and 3-6 SPARK Physical Education Curriculum Trainings
- Emergency and Proposed Rules Governing Arkansas Qualified Teacher Requirements
- Classified Employee Minimum Hourly Wage for 2016-2017
- Arkansas Department of Education’s Fourth Annual Data Conference
- Academic Facilities Partnership Program, 2015-2017 Biennium, Year-Two Funding
- Public Comment Period Extended – Rules Governing Standards for Professional Ethical Conduct
- 2016 Child Nutrition Directors’ Conference
- Final Rules: 2016 Open Enrollment Charter Application and 2016 District Conversion Charter Application
- Arkansas Professional Pathway to Educator Licensure (APPEL) Program Late Summer Academy 2016

Welcome: Cynthia Brannon – Fiscal and Administrative Services
Elizabeth Shock – Public School Accountability | Kristi McIntosh – Public School Accountability
Patricia Siribouth – Fiscal and Administrative Services
Best Wishes: Alexandra (Sasha) Demskie – Learning Services

Division Highlights

Communications
- ArkansasEd.gov Newsletter Added
- Sliders Updated
- Mountain Home School Bus Safety Video Link Added to Flashing Red. Kids Ahead Campaign Resources
- 2016 Arkansas Teacher of the Year Recognition Publication Link Added
- Media Advisory Posted: Little Rock Area Public Education Stakeholder Group Meeting
- Press Release Posted: Poore to Begin Transitional Role at LRSD June 13
- Media Advisory Posted: Computer Science Task Force Meeting
- Media Advisory Posted: SBE Meetings

Ed. Effectiveness & Licensure
- Policies Governing Educator Preparation Program Approval Added as Related File
- Competencies for Guidance/Counseling K-12 Updated
- Fingerprint Form Posted

Fiscal & Admin. Services
- Employment Opportunities Page Updated

Learning Services
- Message 108: Charlie May Simon and Diamond Primary Book Awards Posted
- Link to Cross County High School Innovation in Education Video Added
- Waivers Updated for Covenant Keepers, eStem, SIATech, Imboden & Pine Bluff Lighthouse Charter Schools
- Charter Authorizing Panel April Minutes and May Video Added
- Message 109: Arkansas LDC/MDC Conference Added

Legal
- State Board Orders Page Updated
- Pending Rules and Current Rules Page Updated

Policy
- Arkansas Commission on Closing the Achievement Gap April Minutes Posted

Research & Technology
- Arkansas Digital Sandbox Link Added to List of Resources

State Board
- May State Board Meeting Videos Added
- Agenda Section for the Little Rock Area Public Education Stakeholder Group Added