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## Commissioner's Corner

By Tony Wood

I want to encourage you to attend the next Communications Connection session, which will be held at 9 a.m. July 16 in the Auditorium.

Communications will give an overview of the updated branding manual.

### Welcome

- [Vicki King](#) – Professional Development
- [Selina Mahon](#) – Time and Leave
- [Shelia Peters](#) – Migrant Education
- [Bessie Smith](#) – Charter/Home Schools
- [Muzical Waite](#) – Curriculum & Instruction

## Commissioner's Memos

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<a href="#">Special Ed. Programs: Co-Teaching Model Training 2014</a>
<a href="#">Public Comment Period and Emergency Adoption: 2014 District Conversion Public Charter School Application</a>
<a href="#">August 2014 Distance Learning – Free and Reduced Price Meal Eligibility and Application Process for 2014-2015</a>
<a href="#">State Aid Notice 2013-14 Preliminary End of Year</a>
<a href="#">9% Requirement for Utilities and Facilities Maintenance</a>
<a href="#">2014 Expenditure Requirement for Gifted and Talented Programs</a>
<a href="#">Required Annual Reports 2014-2015</a>

### Best Wishes

- Dr. Tom Kimbrell – Commissioner
- Dr. Tracy Tucker – Curriculum and Instruction
- Dr. Karen Walters – HR, Ed. Effectiveness, Licensure
- Dr. Megan Witonski – Learning Services
- John Hoy – Accountability
- Martha Kay Asti – Special Education
- Gloria Stephens – Communications

- Jim Lucas – Educator Effectiveness
- Beverley Romanin – Learning Svcs.
- Avery Moore – Special Education
- Alexia Mahomes – Special Education
- Lynn Lucas – PLSB
- Danny Reed – Special Education

### Division Highlights

<b>Learning Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Benchmark and Iowa Materials</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Grade 11 Literacy Testing Materials</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Testing Materials for Students with Disabilities</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Archived Testing Materials for Students with Disabilities</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Home School Law</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Updated Home School Page</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Updated School Improvement Specialists Page</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Updated Digital Learning for Schools Page</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Title 1, Part A Carryover Waiver Request Form</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">NEW Page - Committee of Practitioners (COP)</a></li> </ul>
<b>HR, Educator Effectiveness &amp; Licensure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Updated Recruitment and Ret. Page</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Updated Teacher Cadets Page</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">FAQ for Background Checks and Child Maltreatment</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Updated Waiver Request Forms Page</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Waiver Request Form</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Plan of Study for Adding an Area</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Updated 10 ALPs: Art, ESL, Foreign Language, Music, SPED</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Updated Background Check Requirements Page</a></li> </ul>
<b>Fiscal and Admin. Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Tier 1 Training Presentation 2014-15</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Tier 1 Training Presentation 2014-15 Appendix</a></li> </ul>	