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Commissioner's Memos

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• Charter Authorizing Panel Decision: Arkansas Connections Academy
• Classified School Employees with Paid Breaks and FLSA (Corrected)
• ADE/SREB Math Ready Course and Literacy Ready Course (Corrected)
• ADE Technology Plan System
• Technology Plans - State Review & Approval
• Youth Challenge Coding
• 2014-2015 Required District Test Coordinator Training
• ADE E-Rate Point of Contact, New E-Rate Management Partnership, Online Tool and Training Dates
• Faculty Positions Available at 2015 Arkansas Governor's School
• 2015 Preliminary Master Plan Training
• REVISED: PARCC Testing Times and Proposed ESEA Flexibility Amendments

Division Highlights

Learning Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charter Authorizing Panel Oct. 16 Meeting Video Added • Education Service Cooperative News Update • Assessment Materials for Students With Disabilities, Grades 5, 7, and 10 Science, Added • ALE 2014 Conference Training Handouts and Video Interviews Added • Professional Development 2014-15 FAQs PDF Posted • ELPA 21 Page Updated and New PDFs Added • DLS Teacher Resources Added
HR, Ed. Effectiveness & Licensure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educator Competencies Page Updated: Drama/Speech K-12 Revised and Dyslexia Therapist K-12 Added • Matrix Templates Page Updated: Drama/Speech K-12 and Elementary K-6 Revised and Dyslexia Therapist K-12 Added • Alternative-Route Master's Degree Programs for Teacher Licensure Updated • List of Unit Leaders and Licensure Officers for Arkansas Colleges and Universities Updated • IHE Approved Matrix for Licensure Programs Updated • Becoming an Arkansas Educator Event Added to Recruitment and Retention Page • Becoming an Arkansas Educator Event Added to APPEL Page
Fiscal & Admin. Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiscal Distress Districts as of Oct. 1 Posted
Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newsletter #19 Added • Teacher Resources Slider Added