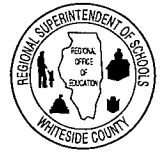


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Calendar Of Events

September

- 4 Labor Day; legal school holiday - ROE closed
- 6 Vision and Hearing - Morrison Southside School
- 7, 8 Vision and Hearing - Thome Grade School
- 11 Vision and Hearing - Sterling Christian School
- 12, 13 Vision and Hearing - Prophetstown Grade School
- 14 New Teachers Workshop 8:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. Sacred Heart Church, Sterling
- 14 Vision and Hearing Fulton Middle School
- 15 Vision and Hearing - Christ Lutheran School
- 18, 19 Vision and Hearing - Unity Christian School
- 19 Sci. Lit. Mini Grant Information Meeting 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. ROE meeting room
- 20 IMAGE Writing Assessment Workshop 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Holiday Inn - Rock Falls
- 21 Reading Kit Distribution 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. ROE meeting room
- 22 PSAE Workshop 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Holiday Inn - Rock Falls
- 22 American Indian Day
- 23 Level I - Gifted Ed. Whiteside ROE

Masters Degree in Elementary Education/Reading Possibly Spring Semester 2001

The Regional Office, in cooperation with Northern Illinois University, is exploring the idea of bringing a graduate degree program in Elementary Education/Reading to the Rock River Valley. At this time, discussions are in the preliminary stages, and no commitments have been made by either Northern or my office. It is proposed that the program would begin in the spring of 2001 or fall of 2001 at the latest.

Extremely important to successfully convincing Northern to offer the masters degree program is the number of individuals interested in taking advantage of such a program if offered. If you would have an interest in participating in a graduate program offered in Whiteside County by Northern Illinois University and have not received any information, please contact my office to complete the survey. As more details about this program become available, they will be forwarded to you directly.

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This issue of the Whiteside County newsletter is being sent to all active teachers for the 2000-2001 school year. If you wish to continue to receive our newsletter, please detach as noted on the back page and return to our office by September 15.

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