



County Chief Instructional Leaders:

Do you have educators and administrators who want to attend the 2018 WV Educational Summits for Educational Excellence?

July 16-18	Summer Summit NORTH, Session One
July 19-20	Summer Summit NORTH, Session Two
July 30-August 1	Summer Summit SOUTH, Session One
August 2-3	Summer Summit SOUTH, Session Two

- » A draft agenda will be available no later than February 22, 2018.
- » Registration for the Summits is FREE; also, lunch and a snack is provided for each participant each day they are registered for the Summits.
- » If interested, participants will have the opportunity to earn up to six hours of professional development credit for participation and completion of follow-up assignments (available for the Fall 2018 semester).

Please see below for information about how your county can assist with travel and any additional expenses participants may incur:

ESEA Funding:

Primary ESEA funding streams

- » Title I – participants from Title I schools could use school Title I allocations to cover travel costs according to their county travel reimbursement rules.
- » Title II – participants from any school in the county could use Title II funds to cover travel costs according to their county travel reimbursement rules.
- » Title V (Rural & Low Income) – participants from any school in the county could use Title V funds to cover travel costs according to their county travel reimbursement rules. A limited number of counties receive these funds.

Additional ESEA funding streams

- » Title III – participants who have direct services responsibilities for English Learners can use Title III funds to cover travel costs according to their county travel reimbursement rules. A limited number of counties receive these funds.
- » Title IV-A – depending on the county's funding priority for this program (well-rounded education, safe & healthy students and/or technology integration), any participant associated with the activities of the county's Title IV-A project can use Title IV-A funds to cover travel costs according to their county travel reimbursement rules.
- » Title IV-B (21st CCLC) – any participant who is directly connected to a school's 21st CCLC afterschool program who is attending the summit with the intent of applying the information to the afterschool program activities can use Title IV-B funds to cover travel costs according to their county travel reimbursement rules. A limited number of counties receive these funds.

For questions regarding the use of ESEA funds for this professional learning opportunity, please contact Melanie Purkey, Senior Administrator for Quality Assurances, at mpurkey@k12.wv.us or 304.558.7805.

Special Education Funding:

Funding sources for the WV Summit for Educational Excellence may come from the \$5,000 annual discretionary grant provided to each county for Professional Learning and the money that will now flow to the counties that formerly supported RESAs. The \$5,000 is included in the funding amount to be utilized for the West Virginia Results-Driven Priorities (WV RDP) Initiatives of Literacy, Numeracy, GRADUATION 20/20 and Engagement/Behavior/Mental Health. The Summit dates and the special education schedule for Session 2 will be sent on the special education listserv. Those counties working on literacy and numeracy may support offerings in Session 1.

For more information about the use of special education grant funding for this professional learning opportunity, contact Pat Homberg, Executive Director, Office of Special Education, at phomberg@k12.wv.us or 304.558.2696.

Early Literacy Funding:

Funding from the anticipated FY 19 Early Literacy Allocations can be utilized to assist with travel and other necessary expenses for the upcoming Summit professional learning experiences. This funding would fall under the 'high-quality instruction' component of the County Action Plan.

For more information about the use of early literacy allocation funding for this professional learning opportunity, contact Charlotte Webb, Coordinator, Office of Early Learning, at ctwebb@k12.wv.us.

Step 7a Funding:

According to WVC §18-9A-10, funds allocated to county boards under Step 7a of the Public School Support Program (PSSP) are to be used to improve instructional programs according to the county and school improvement plans required by WVC §18-2E-5 and approved by the State Board. Funds allocated for the improvement of instructional programs are to be expended in accordance with the educational needs identified in each county board's improvement plans required by WVC §18-2E-5. Emphasis is to be given to activities directly related to the improvement of instructional programs. Project plans may include activities that are indirectly related to instructional programs; however, these activities must be justified.

For more information about the use of Step 7a funding for this professional learning opportunity, contact Joey Wiseman, Executive Director, Office of Middle & Secondary Learning, at rjwisema@k12.wv.us.

**Registration for the 2018 Summits for Educational Excellence opens March 1.
See the Superintendents' Update during the weeks prior to March 1
for more specific information.**

For more information about the WV Summits for Educational Excellence, contact Monica DellaMea, Summit Director and Director, Office of Early & Elementary Learning, at mdellamea@k12.wv.us or 304.558.9994.