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SIG Monthly

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Office of Early Learning and Intervention - Title I Team:
Audrey Carnahan, Charlie Geier, Rachael Havey, and Cindy Hurst

Meet Renley Ann Havey



Born April 30th at 7:40 pm
7 lbs 14 oz
20 ½ inches long



School Highlights – Share your Successes!!!

Do you have something you would like to highlight for your school?
Contact Audrey at acarnahan@doe.in.gov to be featured in a newsletter
and on the IDOE website.

Current SIG highlights here:

<http://www.doe.in.gov/titlei/1003g-summary-sig-grants>

Other IN Title I Promising Practices here:

<http://www.doe.in.gov/titlei/promising-practices-title-i-schools>



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Reminders

Data Dashboard - Reminder

Remaining Data Dashboard Submission Dates

- Friday, May 1st – April data

Non-Compliance with Submissions

- Reimbursement Holds
- EDGAR 80.43 – Enforcement – (a) remedies for noncompliance... (1) temporarily withhold cash payments pending correction of the deficiency by the grantee or subgrantee or more severe enforcement action by the rewarding agency

We will not be holding Data Dashboard WebEx Meetings in April or May as originally scheduled

Issues or questions when submitting data – contact Audrey at acarnahan@doe.in.gov

Updates, Resources, and Opportunities

Updates

Renewal Process Timeline:

Renewal Application Release	Release application and guidance to LEAs	June 5, 2015
Technical Assistance Training	SIG Leadership PD Day Technical Assistance and Planning	June 5, 2015
Application Due	Renewal application must be submitted to IDOE	June 19, 2015
Application Review	Renewal applications reviewed by IDOE	June 22 – July 10, 2015
Notification and Funds Available	Renewal awards will be finalized and funds will be available *if schools do not have to resubmit; resubmitted renewals will not have access to funds until final approval is given	July 13, 2015

Resources

Profiles of SIG Strategies – School Level (compiled by USED):

<http://schoolturnaroundsupport.org/collections/profiles-sig-strategies-school-level>

Electronic Curriculum Resources:

<http://www.graphite.org> is an organization that has many free teacher resources. They are Common Core focused but still have awesome resources that Indiana teachers can use. For instance they have a searchable list of Online, PC and Apps for education that they have reviewed and allow teacher reviews also. It tells you the cost if any and the platform.

<http://www.appitic.com/> is an electronic resource finder.



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Updates, Resources, and Opportunities Cont.

More Resources

Curriculum and Textbooks in Print:

Many schools are asking for reviews of Curriculum and Textbooks that are in print. Be a little more careful with websites that don't allow teacher and outside reviews and only use their criteria. For instance the www.edreports.org website has some wonderful information but their process is flawed in that they only had yes or no for alignment not a continuum when they reviewed the materials. Because of this a curriculum might have a low rating when it actually is very close to alignment but not fully aligned. ***These are only resources and not a substitute for a teacher's, school's, and/or district's due diligence.***

http://www.edreports.org/reports/series/index.html?title=&keyword=&publisher_id=&level=elementary&order_by=series_date http://www.bestevidence.org/word/elem_math_Feb_9_2007.pdf

http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/lansing/sites/default/files/files/mathematics_textbook_review.pdf

Outreach Division of School Improvement – Staffing Practices Resources:

<http://www.doe.in.gov/outreach/turnaround-principles/turnaround-principle-5-staffing-practices>

Opportunities

The Indiana Teacher of the Year Program (INTOY) is excited to announce the 2015 Teacher of the Year Application. Applications are due July 9, 2015. Please review the [INTOY Application Packet](#) and the [INTOY Program Information](#) documents for further information. The application will also be available on our Indiana Teacher of the Year website <http://www.doe.in.gov/toy>. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Teacher of the Year Coordinator, Sarah Pies, at spies@doe.in.gov.

2015 Summer of eLearning Conferences, 24 locations this year, these conferences offer great learning opportunities, whether you are looking to improve your instructional practice or your leadership style. Now is the time to reserve a spot for the latest in digital learning. Visit the Summer of eLearning page for more information: <http://www.doe.in.gov/elearning/2015-summer-elearning>

Indiana Association of School Principals and Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents have announced the annual Conference on Evaluation and School Leadership on [June 11-12, 2015](#) at the Crowne Plaza in Indianapolis. [June 10](#) will be included for any administrator/evaluator that needs the mandated training on staff evaluations. Full topic and presenter information, along with registration information, can be found at www.standardforsuccess.com/conference. For questions, contact Tammy Brothers, SFS Director of Sales and Training, [765-301-0688](tel:765-301-0688).



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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANT COHORTS 4 AND 5 JUNE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

DATE: FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2015

**LOCATION: MSD WARREN TOWNSHIP
EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY CENTER
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46219**

TIME: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM – LUNCH ON OWN

The purpose of School Grant session on June 5th is to bring SIG Leadership Teams and Central Office Staff (from Cohorts 4 and 5) together to provide direction and key strategies to improve student achievement as you continue working with SIG. Participants will hear information regarding Title I Basics and Funding for School Improvement Initiatives, as well as engage in simulations on assessing school needs, setting improvement goals, identifying improvement strategies, and allocating available funds. Schools will also have the opportunity to network with other School Improvement Leaders.

Topics for the Day

- Praxis Reports from SY 2014-2015
- Needs assessment related to SIG interventions
- Planning and renewal application for SY 2015-2016
- Collaboration between schools

Goals of the Session

- Provide guidance to SIG Leadership Teams
- Collaborate with other SIG schools
- Advance the IDOE Mission and Vision of *Imagine the Possibilities, Making them Happen*

Participants may include:

- Recommended by IDOE: minimum of four representatives for each school
- Principal and members of the school Leadership Team
- Teacher Leaders
- Title I Program Administrators
- Key Central Office Staff

Please register here: <http://form.jotformpro.com/form/50903859459973>



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SY 2015-16 Renewal Changes

NEW IN Conditions for SY 2015-2016:

- Redesign the current leadership structure to create a building-wide team (including: administrative staff and teacher leaders) to focus on:
 - building leadership capacity
 - developing teacher leadership across the building
 - school improvement planning
 - roles, responsibilities, and goals of all leadership members
- Report card accountability disaggregation presented and provided to IDOE at first monitoring visit
- Regular utilization and analysis by all staff of data dashboard and/or early warning system at the local level for continuous improvement
 - Locally developed or IDOE provided
 - Academic and Behavior Data
 - Subgroups and subpopulations
 - Parental Involvement Focus
- Utilization and analysis of extended learning data
- Formalized extended learning plan must be submitted for SY 2015-2016:
 - Activities
 - Staffing
 - Transportation
 - Academic subjects covered
 - Details of any partnerships, vendors, or external partners
- LEA must provide the principal:
 - control over people, time, program, and dollars
 - an opportunity to present updates and progress to the local school board at least twice a year in a pre and post manner
- LEA must have in place the following pieces to demonstrate how they will provide effective oversight and support for implementation of interventions in their school(s):
 - Defined district role in the school SIG planning process
 - Designated Central Office staff member to be part of the SIG process
 - Written support and commitment from Local Teacher's Association regarding flexibility for SIG implementation
 - Monthly Monitoring of SIG Programming and Implementation
 - Evaluation System for Programming and Implementation of SIG
 - Data Review Plan
 - Special Populations Review Plan
 - Fiscal Monitoring Plan
 - Timeline and Responsible Parties for all above plans
- Outcome Artifacts
 - Schools will be required to produce a tangible "outcome" piece to be shared with IDOE and published on IDOE website as resources for other schools for each year of the grant. This "outcome" piece will serve as the culminating piece of the yearly grant, as well as a piece of monitoring. "Outcome Artifacts" will be due in the summer of each year. Possible "Outcome Artifacts could include: mini-lesson video, recording of students working on an activity, WebEx, How-To One-Pager, Blog, Podcast. "Outcome Artifacts" should be linked to goals of your SIG grant, as well as one of the following areas: Leadership, Effective Instruction, or Interventions/Data.