

Welcoming Elizabeth Eaton!

We are pleased to announce that Elizabeth Eaton will join the ARCC in August and will serve as the co-state coordinator for Virginia, along with her colleague, Aracelis Gray. On joining the ARCC, Ms. Eaton said: "I am thrilled to be a part of the ARCC team providing support and technical assistance to our colleagues in Virginia. I look forward to working with leaders at the Virginia Department of Education to ensure that all students in the Commonwealth of Virginia have access to high-quality education and graduate with the knowledge and skills needed to pursue college or career training."

Ms. Eaton has over a decade of professional experience providing and managing training and technical assistance services for projects addressing a wide range of education issues. Ms. Eaton specializes in developing and implementing technical assistance frameworks and processes designed to build capacity, align with programmatic goals, and directly respond to stakeholder needs. Ms. Eaton served as the Program Manager for the Reform Support Network's School Turnaround Community of Practice where she supported state education agencies in the design and implementation of school improvement initiatives funded by the U.S. Department of Education's Race to the Top (RTT) Program.

In her previous work, Ms. Eaton led a team of representatives across all ten Regional Educational Laboratories (RELs) to design, develop, and implement a collaborative REL Reference Desk service, providing stakeholders with access to the latest research and information in the field. Ms. Eaton also supported the design and development of *Ask A REL*, the public face of the REL Reference Desk.

Ms. Eaton is a graduate of George Mason University and lives in Fairfax County, Virginia. In her free time, she enjoys watching sports (especially football) and taking long walks with her husband and dog, a lab mix named Socks.

The ARCC is looking forward to leveraging Elizabeth's wealth of technical assistance experience and knowledge. Welcome to the team, Elizabeth!