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Upcoming Training Sessions

Classroom Management & Collaborative Learning for Students
November 13, 2025
9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
APSRC Little Rock Office

The ABCs of IEPs: Achievement, Belonging, and Compliance
November 18th, 2025
9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
APSRC NWA Office

SPED Leadership Connect
November 19, 2025
12:00 P.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Virtual

SEE MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

Hear What Attendees Are Saying about the Instructional Leadership Empowerment Program

"Participating in this educator program has been an absolute game-changer in my professional practice," Byard said. "The wealth of resources and strategies shared has strengthened my instructional toolkit, while the opportunity to network with other Arkansas educators has been invaluable. The facilitators and guest speakers have created phenomenal learning experiences that continue to inspire and challenge me to grow as an educator and leader."

Raven Byard, Instructional Coach, Jonesboro Public Schools



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APSRC Hosts Annual Fall Conference in Hot Springs



The Arkansas Public School Resource Center (APSRC) held its annual Fall Conference on October 21, 2025, at the Hot Springs Convention Center, drawing educators, administrators, and education stakeholders from across the state.

The event kicked off with a Pre-Conference Finance Workshop on October 20, sponsored by EBI, which focused on financial planning and management for school districts.

This year's conference centered around the theme "Game Changers," highlighting innovative practices, leadership strategies, and impactful stories from Arkansas schools that are driving meaningful change in education.

The conference featured Craig O'Neill as emcee and welcomed Dr. Catlin Tucker as the keynote speaker. Tucker, a nationally recognized educator and author, addressed instructional innovation and strategies for engaging students in modern classrooms.

Attendees had access to more than 30 breakout sessions throughout the day, covering a range of topics including school leadership, finance, charter services, technology, communications, teaching and learning, legal and policy, and student support services.

During the lunch program, Arkansas Department of Education Secretary Jacob Oliva delivered remarks highlighting current initiatives.

The conference concluded with a drawing for door prizes, providing a lighthearted end to a day focused on professional development and collaboration.

APSRC's Fall Conference is held annually to support the professional growth of Arkansas educators and to foster dialogue around key issues in public education.

We extend a special thank you to our Diamond Sponsor, Renaissance, our afternoon break sponsor, Imagine Learning, and our Dual Day Sponsor, EBI, for their generous support.





Instructional Leaders Embrace Growth at ALA Session Hosted by APSRC



Educators from across Arkansas gathered this week for a two-day professional development session hosted by the Arkansas Public School Resource Center (APSRC) for Arkansas Leadership Academy (ALA), where Jeana Williams, APSRC's Director of Teaching and Learning, led Cohort B of the Instructional Leadership Empowerment (ILE) program.

Held October 28–29, the session drew a full room of instructional leaders eager to improve instruction in the classroom. The ILE program, developed by the Arkansas Leadership Academy (ALA), is designed for professionals who support instruction in schools—principals, assistant principals, instructional facilitators, curriculum coaches, and district-level leaders. The program blends hands-on learning with collaboration, offering participants access to national experts and experienced Arkansas educators.

Read the full story here.

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