

# FY'21 Annual Report

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**July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021**

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## **Regional Superintendent's Message**

*As Superintendent of the Iroquois-Kankakee Regional Office of Education, Iroquois and Kankakee Counties, Illinois, I hereby submit an annual report detailing activities of the office from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.*

*This report is an overview and not inclusive of the many services that the office provides for the benefit of the schools and citizens in the two counties. We have used the end of the year reports from our programs and departments and information from our audits conducted by the Office of the Auditor General to make this Annual Report as comprehensive as possible. We hope that it will provide you with a better understanding of the tasks our office undertakes to fulfill our mission of meeting the needs of all our constituencies especially those of **children first**. For more information about the services, programs and our schools, please visit our website at [www.i-kan.org](http://www.i-kan.org).*

*We wish to publicly express our appreciation to the members of the County Boards of Iroquois and Kankakee, the I-KAN Regional Board of School Trustees, the I-KAN Regional Office of Education Advisory Board and the teachers, administrators and support staff of the public schools, private schools and cooperatives of Iroquois and Kankakee Counties for the continued cooperation and assistance they have extended to us this past year. The students of the counties are fortunate to have so many dedicated individuals working on their behalf.*

*Respectfully submitted,*



Gregg Murphy, Ed.D.  
Regional Superintendent of Schools  
I-KAN Regional Office of Education

## **I-KAN Regional Office of Education Mission Statement**



The mission of the I-KAN Regional Office of Education is to partner with its educational constituencies and facilitate the efficient and effective accomplishment of their missions with highest priority given to meeting the needs of CHILDREN FIRST.

# I-KAN Regional Office of Education Services

## HUMAN RESOURCES

Full-time Employees	33
Part-time Employees	11

## CERTIFICATION

Educators Registered	479
Licenses Registered	490
Sub License Registered	159
Licenses Issued	1,431
Endorsements Issued	112
Paraprofessional Licenses Issued	88

## PETITION HEARINGS

Number of petitions for annexation/detachment/dissolution processed between July 1, 2020—June 30, 2021 by Regional Board of School Trustees .....	0
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## SCHOOL RECOGNITION

Districts in Full Recognition	19
Districts Recognized Pending Further Review	0
Districts on Probation	0
Districts Nonrecognized	0

## LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

Public School Buildings	59
Special Education Facilities	1
Career Centers	1
Alternative Schools	3

(All buildings were inspected and reports filed with the respective Boards of Education and the State Board of Education.)

Building Permits Issued	34
Building Occupancy Permits	12
Building Permit Project Completions	1
Partial Occupancy Permits	2
Demolition Permit	0
Temporary Facility Occupancy Permits	18

## HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY

### CERTIFICATES

GED Completions	40
HiSET Completions	0
TASC Completions	0

## I-KAN ATTENDANCE ASSISTANCE

### PROGRAM (AAP)

Students and Families Served	586
Truancy Review Board Referrals	61
Business Sponsors for Attendance Incentives	6

## STUDENTS ALL LEARNING

### TOGETHER S.A.L.T.

Total Enrollment for 2020-2021	178
8th Grade	0
9th Grade	11
10th Grade	30
11th Grade	53
12th Grade	84
Received High School Diploma	47
Received GED Certificate	0
Dropped out of school	13
Returned to regular school	30

## McKINNEY-VENTO HOMELESS

### CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES

#### GRANT

Children & Youth Served	547
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## REGIONAL ALTERNATIVE

### ATTENDANCE CENTER (RAAC)

Enrollment for 2020-2021 School Year	26
Student Outcomes	
Improved Behavior	26
Returned to their Home School	6
Graduates	
High School	1
Received GED	0

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## FAMILY VIOLENCE COORDINATING

### COUNCIL

Media Campaigns	8
Materials Distributed	2500
Special Events	15
Trainings and Seminars Provided	194
Number of Participants	5658

## LIFE EDUCATION CENTERS (LEC)

Number of K-6 Grade Students Served	8,346
Number of Teachers Served	395
Number of Participating Schools	41
7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , and High School Youth Prevention Education	
Students Served	1,058
Teachers Served	22
Participating Schools	15
Prevention of Prescription Drug Misuse- Generation Rx	
7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> , and 10 <sup>th</sup> grade	
Students served	277
Health Educators facilitating	10
Participating Schools	8
Youth Advisory Council Members	25
Special Events	8

## TEEN REACH

Number of Sites	2
Number of Students Enrolled	51
Adult Volunteers	8
Family Involvement (Parents)	20
Students Tracked	35
Promoted to Next Grade Level	100%
Showed Academic Improvement	83%
Reduction in Absences	85%
Special Events	5

## Accreditation & Certification



The I-KAN Regional Office of Education earned accreditation by Cognia™, a nonprofit organization that provides quality assurance of schools, districts and dedication service providers. Earning accreditation means that the I-KAN Regional Office of Education is now nationally recognized as a system that meets standards of quality and maintains a commitment to continuous improvement. Cognia, formerly AdvancED, works with entities such as I-KAN to focus efforts and resources. Locally this focus is to ensure stable systems and policies that address the mission of I-KAN and serve to support the districts, schools, families and students in the region. The work with Cognia equips I-KAN to provide relevant services to our community partners.

# Professional Development

## PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

\*Number of Workshops Offered 45  
Number of Participants 764

## ADMINISTRATORS' ACADEMY

Number of Workshops 10  
Number of Participants 52

## DATABASE OF CONSULTANTS

Professional Development Consultants 30

## STARLAB

\*Number of Days Checked Out 0

## BUS DRIVER TRAINING

\*Initial Trainings 9  
Initial Bus Drivers 54  
Refresher Trainings 13  
Refresher Drivers 410

## INSTRUCTIONAL COACHING PROGRAMS

Districts 12  
Schools 17  
Number of Participants 166  
PD Opportunities within Districts 27

## I-KAN STEAM CHALLENGE

\*I-KAN Steam Challenge 0 Days  
Location—Ashkum Early Literacy Center  
3<sup>rd</sup> grade – 12<sup>th</sup> grade Regional competition in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics.

\*Unable to host due to public health emergency

\*Number impacted by public health emergency

## INDUCTION/MENTORING

Induction Kickoff 1  
Participants 74  
Mentor Orientation 1  
Participants 6  
Number of Participating Districts 9  
Protégés Completing 1st Year 45

## TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT SERVICES

\*Number of Technology Coordinator/Director Networking Sessions 0  
Technology Training  
Technology Sessions 23  
Participants 332  
Parent Trainings 9  
Participants 41

## Professional Learning • School Improvement • Instructional Coaching

The I-KAN Regional Office of Education provides quality professional learning and school improvement opportunities, including instructional coaching. Each job embedded coaching session is focused on the teachers' individual goals, classroom, and students. For more information, email [phigh@i-kan.org](mailto:phigh@i-kan.org).

# Revenue Information

(Largely flows through to serve constituents)

PROGRAM	AMOUNT	PROGRAM	AMOUNT	PROGRAM	AMOUNT
County Support Funds	312,500.00	RAAC National School Lunch	5,100.94	ROE School Services – Local (STEAM)	0.00
Teacher Certificates & Renewals	40,601.00	RAAC National School Breakfast	4,889.08	Advanced ED Elementary/Secondary	1,000.00
TAOEP—State	211,720.00	S.A.L.T. Evidence Based Fund	723,205.02	Emergency Relief Elementary/Secondary	2,818.00
TAOEP County Support Funds	69,000.00	I-KAN Schools Activity Fund	497.93	Emergency Relief Digital	67,918.00
TAOEP District Assessment Fees	45,208.00	Comprehensive—DHS (SUPS)	361,024.07	Elementary/Secondary Emergency Relief PD	5,180.00
TAOEP Business Partnerships	640.00	Generation Rx – DHS (SUPS)	19,000.00	Teacher/Leader Effectiveness Special Projects	728.00 106.74
Homeless/McKinney Vento	34,972.58	Drug Free Communities—Federal	125,000.00	GED Applications & Certificates	2,041.00
RAAC—State	84,388.00	Teen Reach – DHS	122,083.00	Bus Driver Training—Local	5,001.00
Pilot Regional Safe Schools Cooperative Education Program (RSSCEP)	39,733.00	LEC—Local		Bus Driver Training—State	1,492.00
RAAC Evidence Based Fund	238,205.26	Dist. Assessment Fees	36,894.09	Fingerprinting Fees	7,580.00
I-KAN Schools Tallman Funds	14,500.00	Area IV – EMPOWER	753.19	Family Violence Council—	38,698.10
RAAC—Local	124,800.00	ROE School Services—State	127,634.00	Family Violence—Local	0.00
RAAC—IPRF Safety Grant	1,735.00	ROE School Services—Local	172,615.59	Assistance to Families with Children—Federal	53,742.80
RAAC State Free Lunch & Breakfast	385.59			CPDC Project	1,993.40
				Commission on Access—Justice	2,025.00

# Regional Information

## **PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Districts	19
Student Enrollment	19,461
Administrators	154
Educators	1,679
Buildings	58
Cooperatives	5
Alternative Programs	3
Non-public Schools	10
Student Enrollment	1,415
Square Miles in Region	1,794
Population of Region	137,674

## **NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Grace Christian Academy  
 St. Paul's Lutheran School  
 Bishop McNamara Catholic School—  
     Bourbonnais Site  
 Bishop McNamara Catholic School—  
     Bradley Site  
 Bishop McNamara – Kankakee Site  
 Indian Oaks Academy  
 Kankakee Trinity Academy  
 St. Paul Lutheran School, Iroquois  
 St. John Lutheran School  
 Christ Lutheran High School

## **SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

Momence Community Unit School District #1  
 Herscher Community Unit School District #2  
 Manteno Community Unit School District #5  
 Grant Park Community Unit School District #6  
 Bourbonnais Elementary School District #53  
 Bradley Elementary School District #61  
 Kankakee School District #111  
 St. Anne Community Consolidated School District #256  
 St. George Community Consolidated School District #258  
 Pembroke Community Consolidated School District #259  
 St. Anne Community High School District #302  
 Bradley-Bourbonnais Community High School District #307  
 Donovan Community Unit School District #3  
 Central Community Unit School District #4  
 Cissna Park Community Unit School District #6  
 Iroquois County Community Unit School District #9  
 Iroquois West Community Unit School District #10  
 Milford Area Public Schools District #124  
 Crescent-Iroquois Community Unit School District #249

## **COOPERATIVES**

Kankakee Area Special Education Cooperative  
 Kankakee Area Career Center  
 Kankakee Area Regional Vocational Education System (K.A.R.V.E.S.)  
 Iroquois Special Education Association  
 Iroquois Area Regional Delivery System

## **REGIONAL ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS**

I-KAN Regional Alternative Attendance Center (RAAC)  
 Students All Learning Together (S.A.L.T.) - Kankakee Site  
 Students All Learning Together (S.A.L.T. II) - Iroquois Site

# Governing Boards

### **I-KAN JOINT EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Stephen Liehr, Kankakee Co. Board  
 Chad McGinnis, Iroquois Co. Board\*  
 Steve Huse, Iroquois Co. Board  
 Tinker Parker, Kankakee Co. Board  
 Ray Fairfield, Kankakee Co. Board

Meets quarterly  
 \* Chairman

### **REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**

John Gooding, Iroquois (27)  
 Ed Brown, Kankakee (25)  
 Dawn Russert, Kankakee\* (23)  
 Scott Johnson, Iroquois (23)  
 Andrea Eldert, Iroquois (25)  
 Bill Gambell, Kankakee (25)  
 Don Wagner, Kankakee (27)

Meets quarterly  
 \* Chairman  
 (Term Expiration)

### **I-KAN REGIONAL OFFICE ADVISORY BOARD FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

Paul Snellenberger, Public Member  
 Chuck Hensley, Administrator\*  
 Renee Rapp, Public Member  
 Kathleen O'Connor, Administrator  
 Dr. Steve Epstein, Public Member  
 Cindy Orwig, Teacher  
 Lisa Harrod, Administrator  
 Barbara Hensley, Teacher  
 Julia Pruitt, Teacher  
 Jody Munsterman, Teacher  
 Tony Swafford, Teacher

\* Chairman