

# FY'23 Annual Report

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**July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023**

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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, 2022 through June 30, 2023.*

*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,*



Frank Petkunas  
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	13

## CERTIFICATION

Educators Registered	795
Licenses Registered	835
Sub License Registered	362
Licenses Issued	1,985
Endorsements Issued	150
Paraprofessional Licenses Issued	145

## PETITION HEARINGS

Number of petitions for annexation/detachment/dissolution processed between July 1, 2022—June 30, 2023 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	60
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	19
Building Occupancy Permits	15
Building Permit Project Completions	1
Partial Occupancy Permits	3
Demolition Permit	1
Temporary Facility Occupancy Permits	15

## HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY

### CERTIFICATES

GED Completions	49
HiSET Completions	0
TASC Completions	0

## I-KAN ATTENDANCE ASSISTANCE

### PROGRAM (AAP)

Students and Families Served	700
Truancy Review Board Referrals	132
Business Sponsors for Attendance Incentives	13

## STUDENTS ALL LEARNING

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

Total Enrollment for 2022-2023	165
9th Grade	17
10th Grade	29
11th Grade	29
12th Grade	27
Received High School Diploma	41
Dropped out of school	22
Returned to regular school	18

## McKINNEY-VENTO HOMELESS

### CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES

#### GRANT

Children & Youth Served	422
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## REGIONAL ALTERNATIVE

### ATTENDANCE CENTER (RAAC)

Enrollment for 2022-2023 School Year	39
Student Outcomes	
Improved Behavior	13
Returned to their Home School	16
Graduates	
High School	0

## FAMILY VIOLENCE COORDINATING

### COUNCIL

Media Campaigns	8
Materials Distributed	3500
Special Events	70
Trainings and Seminars Provided	160
Number of Participants	7868

## LIFE EDUCATION CENTERS (LEC)

Number of K-6 Grade Students Served	8,287
Number of Teachers Served	390
Number of Participating Schools	43
7 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Prevention	

### Education

Students Served	1,553
Teachers Served	25
Participating Schools	14

### 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	332
Youth Advisory Council Members	29
Parent Communication Campaign Participants	1,989
Special Events	15

## TEEN REACH

Number of Sites	2
Number of Students Enrolled	59
Adult Volunteers	7
Family Involvement (Parents)	20
Students Tracked	35
Promoted to Next Grade Level	100%
Showed Academic Improvement	82%
Reduction in Absences	83%
Special Events	4

## 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	25
Number of Participants	455

## ADMINISTRATORS' ACADEMY

Number of Workshops	7
Number of Participants	70

## DATABASE OF CONSULTANTS

Professional Development Consultants	30
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## STARLAB

Number of Days Checked Out	6
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## BUS DRIVER TRAINING

Initial Trainings	10
Initial Bus Drivers	66
Refresher Trainings	4
Refresher Drivers	303

## INSTRUCTIONAL COACHING PROGRAMS

Districts	13
Schools	13
Number of Participants	172
PD Opportunities within Districts	34

## I-KAN STEAM CHALLENGE

I-KAN Steam Challenge	4 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.	
High School Teams	7
Student Participants	28
7 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teams	18
Student Participants	72
5 <sup>th</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teams	15
Student Participants	60
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teams	15
Student Participants	60
54 teams and 13 schools participated	
Total Participants	220

## INDUCTION/MENTORING

Induction Kickoff	1
Participants	122
Mentor Orientation	2
Participants	59
Number of Participating Districts	8
Protégés Completing 1st Year	34

## TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT SERVICES

Number of Technology Coordinator/Director Networking Sessions	3
Technology Training	
Technology Sessions	1
Participants	12
1 on 1 Technology Sessions	18
Participants	101

## 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	412,801.09	RAAC State Free Lunch & Breakfast	171.86	Elementary/Secondary	
Teacher Certificates & Renewals	58,850.00	RAAC National School Lunch	27,076.54	Emergency Relief	20,261.37
TAOEP—State	227,573.00	RAAC National School Breakfast	7,801.11	Elementary/Secondary	
TAOEP County Support Funds	43,617.76	S.A.L.T. Evidence Based Fund	1,055,248.59	Emergency Relief Digital	1,537.00
TAOEP District Assessment Fees	44,902.00	I-KAN Schools Activity Fund	124.34	Elementary/Secondary	
TAOEP Business Partnerships	1050.00	Generation Rx – DHS (SUPS)	432,492.00	Emergency Relief 2	46,000.00
Homeless/McKinney Vento	29,181.54	Drug Free Communities—Federal	100,023.90	ARP – ESSER III	22,854.00
RAAC—State	84,794.00	Teen Reach – DHS	112,776.51	Special Projects	1,081.02
Regional Safe Schools Cooperative Education Program (RWECEP)	36,817.00	LEC—Local		GED Applications & Certificates	2,620.00
RAAC Evidence Based Fund	250,572.73	Dist. Assessment Fees	35,877.01	Bus Driver Training—Local	4,593.00
I-KAN Schools Tallman Funds	14,000.00	ROE School Services—State	347,181.00	Bus Driver Training—State	1,512.00
RAAC—Local	130,400.00	ROE School Services—Local	292,899.31	Fingerprinting Fees	14,820.00
		ROE School Services – Local (STEAM)	8,750.00	Family Violence Council—	44,074.19
				Family Violence—Local	39.00
				Assistance to Families with Children—Federal	49,237.18
				CPDC Project	1,041.83
				Commission on Access—Justice	2,748.69
				American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	30,000.00

# Regional Information

## **PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Districts	19
Student Enrollment	20,070
Administrators	171
Educators	1,422
Buildings	60
Cooperatives	5
Alternative Programs	3
Non-public Schools	10
Student Enrollment	1,902
Square Miles in Region	1,794
Population of Region	132,547

## **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**

Jessica Andrade, 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\* (29)  
 Scott Johnson, Iroquois (29)  
 Andrea Eldert, Iroquois (25)  
 Bill Gamble, Kankakee (25)  
 Don Wagner, Kankakee (27)

Meets quarterly  
 \* Chairman  
 (Term Expiration)