

CONTINUING ED. CONNECTION

APRIL 2019

REGION 10 ROADSHOW - REGISTER TODAY!

We are thrilled to once again have the opportunity to host one of the Region 10 Roadshows this summer.

The Greenville Roadshow will be held at the CTE Center on July 16th and 17th. There is a huge variety of course offerings each day. Many of the classes have even been fine tuned to fit GISD's needs and requests. The Roadshow will be a wonderful time of learning and collaboration.

Region 10 is giving us first dibs too! Registration is open now for Greenville employees only. Out-of-district registration opens on April 1st, so hurry up, and reserve your spot today! If you aren't available for the Greenville Roadshow dates, check out the rest of the Roadshows coming to the surrounding areas. There are lots of chances to get involved.

Register TODAY! <https://www.region10.org/programs/r10-summer-roadshow/greenville/>

NEW ELAR STANDARDS TRAINING!

CALLING ALL ELAR TEACHERS!

Are you excited to learn more about the new ELAR TEKS? You're in luck. Greenville is hosting Region 10's "Analyzing the New ELAR TEKS" workshop on June 19th. The workshop is applicable for any K-12 ELAR teacher. The workshop will have lots of great information about how you and your students can be successful transitioning with the new standards. This workshop is open to surrounding areas, so hurry up and register in Eduphoria today to claim your spot!

<https://gisd-eduphoria.greenvilleisd.com/authdistrict/login>

The capacity to learn is
a *gift*; the ability to
learn is a *skill*; the
willingness to learn is a
choice.

Brian Herbert



SPOTLIGHT

Aaron Cleveland - 8th Grade Science - GMS

Mr. Cleveland completed his Principal Certification from Lamar University this past December. He also took and passed his TExES Principal Certification Exam in December as well.

Mr. Cleveland aspires to use his certification to become an Assistant Principal; he feels that he will be able to be a benefit to a campus in this capacity. Mr. Cleveland is also continuing his education by developing his leadership capabilities as a part of the GISD LEAD Academy.

Way to be an example of learning and leadership, Mr. Cleveland!

**APRIL FACT: THE IMPORTANCE OF
COUNTERACTING THE NEGATIVES**

Did you know that the human brain reacts differently to positives versus negatives? In fact, brain science shows us that losses, failures, and negatives stick in our memory more easily than wins, gains, or positives.

This means that we have to teach ourselves to counteract the negatives around us and within us. This is a powerful skill that will help us be better educators, and it is a skill that we need to teach our students to use as well.

<https://youtu.be/7XFLTDQ4JMK>



How Well Do You Nurture Positive Energy in Tough Times?

Energy Source: Personal Values

- To what extent have I privately clarified and publicly articulated my core values?
- When have I taken leadership actions consistent with my values?
- What can I point to that demonstrates that I make value-driven decisions in the face of strong opposition?

Energy Source: Personal Efficacy

- When have I offset my relative weaknesses by turning to others who have strengths in the skills required?
- What evidence from my past performance shows I possess knowledge and skill to lead in tough times?
- When have I maintained a composed and respected leadership presence in the midst of adversity?

Energy Source: Emotional Well-Being

- Can I emotionally accept aspects of adversity that I can't influence in a positive way?
- Do I understand my emotions in times of adversity and how these emotions affect my leadership performance?
- How successful have I been in controlling my emotions before I say or do something I might regret?

Energy Source: Spiritual Well-Being

- How have I gained strength from my connection to a higher purpose in life?
- How have I expressed spiritual gratitude for the opportunity to serve others?
- Have I turned to personal reflection and introspection to steady myself during adversity?

Energy Source: Physical Well-Being

- Have I let adversity disrupt my long-term focus on a healthy lifestyle?
- What strategies have worked for me in managing my time devoted to rest and recovery?
- Have I found healthy ways to channel my physical energy as a stress reliever?

Energy Source: Personal Support Base

- What have I learned from others who faced similar circumstances?
- Have I made myself vulnerable enough to involve those I trust in discussions about my doubts or fears?
- Have I actively sought to learn from role models who demonstrate a strong track record of resilience?

THE POWER OF OUR WORDS

To read more about leading positively and impacting students with the right words, check out this fabulous ASCD article!

<http://www.ascd.org/publications/educational-leadership/sept08/vol66/num01/The-Power-of-Our-Words.aspx>



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