



Division of Elementary and Secondary Education

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Secretary

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Dr. Ivy Pfeffer
Deputy
Commissioner

Dr. Debbie Atwell
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Mountainburg, AR 72946

Stacy Smith
Deputy
Commissioner

Dear Dr. Atwell,

**State Board of
Education**

Congratulations! On behalf of the Arkansas Department of Education, I am pleased to inform you that Mountainburg Public Schools was selected for cohort six of the Professional Learning Communities Project.

Ouida Newton
Poyen
Chair

Your application went through a rigorous review process by the ADE and Professional Learning Community experts. Your first meeting with the principals and superintendent is scheduled for July 27, 2022 at ADE in Little Rock. You will be contacted soon with more detailed information and to have an initial conversation that will provide information regarding next steps. A tentative timeline and schedule for the professional development within the program will also be discussed.

Charisse Dean
Little Rock

This program is designed to provide schools with what research shows is the most promising approach to deep implementation of Professional Learning Communities. We are committed to the Professional Learning Communities model and know that it will lead to better outcomes for the educators in your building and better results for your students.

Dr. Fitz Hill
Little Rock

Kathy McFetridge
Springdale

To learn more about the Arkansas PLC Project go to:
<https://dese.ade.arkansas.gov/Offices/special-projects/professional-learning-communities-for-arkansas>. To view and share the journeys of all project schools, please use the Twitter hashtag #PLC4AR.

Steve Sutton
Marion

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Please direct your questions to Dr. Missy Walley, missy.walley@ade.arkansas.gov, if we can help you in any way.

Dr. Beth Anne Rankin
Magnolia

Again, congratulations and best wishes.

Randy Henderson
Blytheville

Sincerely,

Johnny Key