

Professional Staff Development

Wirt County File: GAD-RA

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PROFESSIONAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT

It is the mission of the Wirt County Schools Staff Development Program to enhance the repertoire of the professional educator's ability to inspire and to produce high achieving students. All professional staff shall participate in eighteen hours of staff development annually. Staff Development programs must address the areas outlined in the WV State Board Policy 5500.

The area in which the professional is currently assigned

Appropriate teaching strategies

Classroom management skills

Techniques appropriate for exceptionalities and learning styles

WV Instructional Goals and Objectives

Assessment

Administrative Procedures

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Professional educators may earn staff development credit as a result of the following:

Participation in the scheduled staff development programs and activities planned by the Wirt County Staff Development Council for 18 hours credit, based on needs identified in the Unified School/County Improvement Plan. These programs will be announced in advance and funded by the county staff development budget.

Participating in conferences, such as those listed below, by requesting pre-approval in writing from the Staff Development Council before June 1 (prior to the school year for which the staff development credit is being requested)

Leaders of Learning Conference (up to 12 hours)

WV Governor's Summer Institute (up to 12 hours)

Attendance at other professional conferences* which take place beyond the school day (up to 12 hours)

*Conference agenda/program outlining the goals and skills and knowledge to be obtained (or a written summary of the same, if the conference agenda/program is not available) must be submitted to the Staff Development Councils before June 1 (prior to the school year for which the staff development credit is being requested). Verification of attendance at the conference must be submitted before staff development credit can be granted.

Professional employees who have submitted written requests for staff development credit for attendance at the conferences indicated in section B above will be notified of the Staff Development Councils decision on or before the last day of school.