

March 2021

Newsletter

Educational Service Unit 8



Reminder: 2021 ESU 8 Academic Quiz Bowls!

We are planning on holding the **2021 Academic Quiz Bowl for Grades 9-12** on Tuesday, March 2nd and the **2021 Academic Quiz Bowl for Grades 6-8** the following day, Wednesday, March 3rd. Both will begin at 9:00am with an estimated completion time of 12:00pm.



MTSS Strengthen the Core - Day 2

Monday, March 1st

9:00am – 3:00pm

Location: ESU 8, Conference Room A/B

Year 1 MTSS teams who have begun implementation will work to strengthen core supports and Tier 1 strategies to intensify their knowledge and practices. Teams should include a lower elementary teacher, upper elementary teacher, interventionist, and administrator. (This workshop was rescheduled from January 26th.)

ESU 8 MTSS Team will be presenting and lunch will be provided. If you have questions regarding this event, please email Toni Arehart at toni.arehart@esu8ne.org or Steph Lundgren at stephanie.lundgren@esu8ne.org.

New Teacher Academy

Tuesday, March 16th

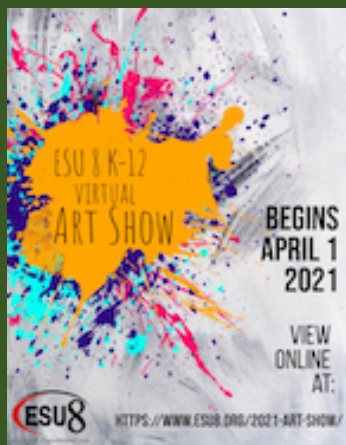
9:00am – 3:00pm

Location: ESU 8, Conference Room A/B

New Teacher Academy is designed to provide support, instruction, and an opportunity for cross-district collaboration for new teachers. Your presenter will be Heidi Rethmeier.

Please register by Tuesday, March 16th. Lunch will be provided. If you have questions, please email Heidi at Heidi.rethmeier@esu8ne.org.

ESU 8 Offices and Learning Centers will be closed for Spring Break on Thursday, March 11th and Friday, March 12th



Daylight Saving
Time Begins
March 14th!

ESU 8 K-12 Art Show To Be Held Virtually

Begins April 1st at <https://www.esu8.org/2021-Art-Show/>

This year the ESU 8 Art Show will be virtual! Teachers should have received a Google Slides Template to which artwork photos can be added. So, please start taking high-quality photos of your students' artwork now! The slide presentations will begin Thursday, April 1 at <https://www.esu8.org/2021-Art-Show/>.

Unfortunately, the show will not be judged. If you have any questions, comments, or ideas regarding the management and/or processes for this show, please contact Steph Lundgren (stephanie.lundgren@esu8ne.org) or Bev Tillema (btillema@esu8.org) at 402.887.5041.

Annenberg Learner

The Annenberg Learner is a multimedia resource for K-12 classroom instruction and teacher professional development. It is available on the ESU 8 SNAP (<http://snap.esu8.org>) page. Last month, each resource on the SNAP page was listed in the newsletter with a brief description. Beginning this month, I will highlight one of these online resources each month in more detail.

The Annenberg Learner site has two main categories: Classroom Resources and Professional Development.

The subjects within the Classroom Resources tab and the Professional Development tab include: Arts, Education, English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies & History, STEM/STEAM, and World Languages. In each of those two categories, you can either search a specific topic, using a grade level filter and even a subject filter, or you can scroll down to see specific resources/sites sorted by the subjects listed above.

- ▶ 7 Fractions and Decimals
- ▶ 8 Rational Numbers and Proportional Reasoning
- ▼ 9 Fractions, Percents, and Ratios
 - 1 Part A: Models for the Multiplication and Division of Fractions (45 minutes)
 - 2 Part B: Decimals and Percents (45 minutes)
 - 3 Part C: Fibonacci Numbers (30 minutes)
 - 4 Homework
- ▶ 10 Classroom Case Studies, K-2

This is a partial screen shot of one of the Series Directories from the Mathematics search. Notice that there's also a Homework option.

Every resource/site has a Series Directory, allowing you to select a more specific topic within your search. For example, within the Professional Development tab, searching "multiplication" for all grades within the subject of Mathematics, gave the following options:

- a video- and web-based course for K-8 teachers that examines three main categories in the Number and Operations strand of the math standards, and
- a list of twelve different Units and Sections that provided, not only a description but, an estimated amount of time to complete it.

So, visit the Annenberg Learner resource within the ESU 8 SNAP page. If you have forgotten your login, simply email media8@esu8.org.

Happy
St. Patrick's
Day


TEACHING FROM A DISTANCE, STILL
MAKING A DIFFERENCE



**SAVE
THE
DATE**



THURSDAY
JOIN US VIRTUALLY
FROM 8AM-NOON CST
FOR THIS FREE EVENT!



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