

Northeast Arkansas Education Cooperative

The Northeast Arkansas Education Cooperative serves the following school districts:

- **Corning School District**
Corning, AR
- **Greene County Tech School District**
Paragould, AR
- **Hoxie School District**
Hoxie, AR
- **Hillcrest School District**
Lynn and Strawberry, AR
- **Jackson County School District**
Swifton and Tuckerman, AR
- **Lawrence County School District**
Walnut Ridge
- **Marmaduke School District**
Marmaduke, AR
- **Maynard School District**
Maynard, AR
- **Paragould School District**
Paragould, AR
- **Piggott School District**
Piggott, AR
- **Pocahontas School District**
Pocahontas, AR
- **Rector School District**
Rector, AR
- **Sloan-Hendrix School District**
Imboden, AR
- **Westside Consolidated School District**
Jonesboro, AR



Mission Statement

The mission of the Northeast Education Cooperative is to provide the highest quality leadership, service and support to our member districts in their efforts to facilitate effective learning for all students.

Demographics

Location: Walnut Ridge
Counties: 6
Districts: 14
Teachers: 1,400
Students: 17,567



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OUR BEGINININGS

In 1984 NEAEC was established under ACT 860 through a higher education grant with Arkansas State University being the recipient. ACT 349 of 1985 authorized the Arkansas Board of Education to establish up to fifteen Education Service Cooperatives – NEAEC was one of the fifteen. The Cooperative was originally located in Strawberry, AR, on the Strawberry High School campus. The Cooperative moved to Hoxie School District in 1993 and finally relocated at the present location in Walnut Ridge.

NEA Cooperative Timeline

- 1983 – Quality Education ACT
- 1983 – ACT 103 (5 Pilots \$45,000)
- 1984 – ACT 860 (ASU Grant)
- 1984 – Co-op Began (Strawberry, AR)
- 1985 – ACT 349 Added 10 Co-ops
- 1993 – Moved Admin. Offices to Hoxie, AR
- 1998 – Moved Operation to Walnut Ridge, AR

OUR DEPARTMENTS

- Administration/Bookkeeping
- APSCN Field Specialists
- Career and Technical Education (CTE)
- Content Specialists – Literacy, Mathematics and Science
- Community Health
 - Community Health Nurse Specialist (CHNS)
 - Community Health Promotion Specialist (CHPS)
- Early Childhood
 - Arkansas Better Chance (ABC)
 - Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY)
 - Preschool Special Education
- Gifted & Talented Education (G/T)
- Make-n-Take and Media
- Special Education
 - Local Education Agency (LEA) Supervisor
 - Behavior Support Specialist
 - School Psychology Specialist
- Technology/Digital Learning

OUR PURPOSE

The Northeast Arkansas Education Cooperative is an intermediary agency between the Arkansas Department of Education and the 14 member school districts which we serve. Staff members use a variety of ways to determine the needs of the districts and devise plans to meet those needs whether it be through professional development or onsite coaching and support. Also, NEAEC utilizes partnerships with higher education and other state and local entities to provide additional resources and trainings to ultimately improve classroom instruction toward attaining the overarching goal of student learning and achievement.

OUR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Northeast Arkansas Education Cooperative Professional Development Sessions



* A factor impacting session offerings was the legislative mandate in 2013-14 that all licensed staff had to receive adequate training in the new Teacher Excellence Support System (TESS). These trainings (approximately 24 hours) took place at district sites and did not count toward sessions offered at co-ops around the state.

3 Year Professional Development Statistics

OUR SERVICE



Educators



School Districts



Technology



Community