CVES Instructional Services Center

The Instructional Services Center (ISC) houses a variety of specialized personnel who assist your school community in many ways. ISC provides services such as arts in education, bus driver training, printing services, professional development, and athletic coordination, just to name a few.

Our goal is to connect you to the right people to get your questions answered, develop a strategic/improvement plan, acquire additional resources, repair technology/musical instruments or get your message out to the broader community. ISC takes pride in what we do, and excels in attending to our clients’ needs. Please visit or email to get more detailed information about a particular service.

Annual Events

ISC coordinates three annual events for students, in coordination with our component school districts.

I Stand Against Bullying (ISAB) Awards promotes anti-bullying efforts in schools by encouraging students to create videos featuring bullying scenarios and how to resolve them, information on what to do about bullying, and statistics on local bullying. Beginning in 2014, the contest expanded to include “positive school behaviors” as well. It is a way to bring fun, creativity, and goodwill to the North Country community.

Regional Spelling Bee is coordinated every year by the Spelling Bee Committee. Schools host a local bee at their building and those grade level winners move on to the regional bee. The Grand Champion then participates in the Scripps National Spelling Bee through the support of a sponsor.

Youth Empowerment Summit The vision of the summit is to educate student leadership groups on power of kindness, acceptance, and inclusion, and to provide them with the knowledge and tools to drive change within their school buildings. Students will take an active role in learning, and will discuss, plan and implement activities to bring about a positive shift in school climate. Regional topics and materials targeting different themes will be provided to the groups to reduce staff time, simplify the process, and promote consistency throughout the region.
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304 & 332. Music & Library Media Itinerant teachers, employed by CVES, are shared between two or more districts. The Itinerant Teacher service can be provided for any one content area when there is at least one full-time equivalent position among the participating districts.

404. Arts in Education is designed to help districts integrate the arts and related cultural programs into the core curriculum, and to provide age-appropriate programs affected by the arts, which supplement, complement, enhance, illustrate, and explain aspects of the general curriculum.

505. Instructional Printing & Graphic Design provides a complete line of printing and duplicating services to CVES and participating school districts. A partial listing of requested services includes: district newsletters, student and parent handbooks, report cards, school calendars, stationary, forms, flyers, posters, cards, curriculum guides, certificates, budget reports, and much more!

506. School/Curriculum Improvement supports the component districts’ efforts to meet Federal, State and local requirements by strengthening instruction, raising standards, improving curriculum and assessment practices and building capacity at the district, building and classroom levels. School Improvement staff collaborate with the districts to design and/or secure data-driven, research-based professional development offerings to meet the needs of their districts.

508. Library Services/Media Online Resources offers component school districts access to two important programs: Coordinated Cooperative Collection Development (CCCD), and Online Database Resources. The School Library System offers instruction in online search strategies, as well as technical support to library media personnel.

509. Instructional Planning for Assessment Service (Data Analysis) supports school districts in creating, improving/sustaining a culture of data-driven decision making through protocols, common language and goal setting. The services can be tailored to support specific school and district needs. The strengths of and possible changes to programming that targets instructional activities is accomplished through the collection, management and analysis of various types of district/school/student data. Technical assistance on assessment protocols, data warehousing efforts, graduation rate trends, analysis and interpretation of New York State assessment data are provided.

512. Microcomputer Repair (Printers tool) TV/Video/AV Repair provides for the in-shop repair of most computers, printers, tablets (Android or iOS) and other peripherals, whether in or out of warranty. We can provide non-warranty repairs on all commercially available computers and laptops at the cost of just part(s). We can also perform warranty repair in-shop for DELL products and facilitate warranty repair for most other equipment including Apple at no additional cost.

Computer services include but are not limited to: hardware upgrade and/or installation, troubleshooting and diagnostics, etc. Printer services include but are not limited to: troubleshooting and diagnostics, cleanings (removal of paper jams and toner overflow), replacement and alignment of rollers. Tablet services include but are not limited to: troubleshooting and diagnostics, screen replacements, etc.

Participating school districts benefit from the services of a technician capable of repairing all audiovisual, television, VCR, and audio reproduction equipment. The repair services are routinely capable of returning the equipment within three working days of delivery to the repair center.

512. Musical Instrument Repair provides repair and maintenance of brass, woodwind and percussion instruments. The service also provides both piano tuning and the repair of instruments used by students in orchestra and band.

554. Interscholastic Athletics Coordination covers athletic communications, scheduling, event planning, and management meetings relating to Section VII sports. Visit their website at www.section7.org. The administrator serves as the coordinator & executive director of the Section VII athletic council spanning 28 schools in Northeastern NY.

555. Library Automation assists libraries in their ability to share resources through an integrated, circulation management system that provides increased access to available materials, and affords students the opportunity to develop search strategies. The School Library System supports the OPALS system, and provides both on-site and phone technical support.

564. Instructional Technology provides a continuum of services including planning, support, maintenance, and evaluation specifically focused on the implementation of the NYS Teaching Standards and the NYS Next Generation Learning Standards/Frameworks through the use of technology. BOCES instructional and technical support staff partner with district staff to support the integration of technology into the curriculum by providing technology planning, technical support, regional curriculum and staff development coordination, professional development (hardware and software), and the purchasing of the optimum technology tools. The coordinator, consultants, and equipment purchased and maintained through this Co-Ser are adable. All hardware, software, and services associated with this Co-Ser will be incorporated and governed by the regional 793 plan.

The purpose of this service is to assist school districts in identifying and implementing appropriate uses for technology that support common teaching and learning objectives. These collaborative efforts will result in the planning, selection, implementation, and evaluation of appropriate educational technologies that promote engaged, meaningful learning with a focus on improved student outcomes.

565. Community School Resources supports and facilitates schools to provide health services including physical and mental health. It also supports districts in needs assessment.

603. Staff Development: Transportation provides certified NYSED School Bus Driver Instructors and certified NYDMV 19-A Instructors to assist school districts with the education, training, and testing of their school bus drivers, attendants, and monitors.

608. School Employee Health Safety Risk Management provides direct support, assistance, and training to ensure that school districts are in compliance with federal and state laws and regulations related to health and safety in the workplace.

610. School Public Relations (Websites/Video/Social Media) provides the following services to CVES and component districts: creating and updating websites, video productions, writing and editing newsletters, photographing, live streaming or video-recording events, creating informational or promotional documents, media relations, community/taxpayer information, and creating PowerPoint presentations.

614. Transportation: Drug and Alcohol Testing provides school districts with a complete drug and alcohol testing program as required by the USDOT for all licensed school buses drivers.

630. Staff Development: Clerical provide staff development programs and activities for clerical support staff at the request of participating districts. District clerks can receive training related to regulations, processes, and best practices through this Co-Ser.

640. Emergency Communication System provides a system for regular emergency communications between school district offices, maintenance facilities, school buses and other district vehicles using F.M. Radio channels with repeaters at optimum locations.

This includes direct access to the Emergency Communications Centers operated by the Emergency Preparedness in Clinton, Essex, and Franklin counties, ensuring 24-hour-a-day, 7-days-a-week coverage.

645. Grants Management Services provides assistance to individual districts or a consortia of school districts in the process of identifying and securing grants that support their educational goals. Additional support is also available for the coordination of grant projects, project evaluation, and technical writing.

They offer several levels of shared services, and a district can participate at the level that they feel best fits their district’s needs. The office provides technical assistance and regulatory guidance, consortium inclusion for smaller districts that may need to team up to apply for funding.

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