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### KRA and ELA Changing

The Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA - for kindergarten children) and the Early Learning Assessment (ELA - for preschool children), have both been revised and will be used by preschool and kindergarten personnel beginning in the fall of 2015.



**Professional Development** for the Revised KRA (for new personnel not previously trained) and ELA **will begin in August**, so stay tuned for more details in the coming months!

Click [HERE](#) for an announcement from ODE concerning the changes to the KRA

## State Support Team



We look forward to May 11, 2015, a celebration for several districts that have been participating in the



SST Region 7 **Closing the Gap** professional development series.

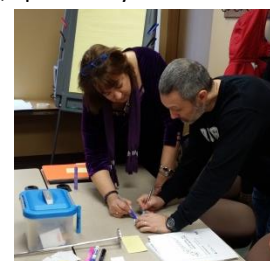
Congratulations to: *Bucyrus City Schools, Centerburg Local Schools, Crestline Exempted Village Schools, Fredericktown Local Schools,*



*Loudonville-Perrysville Exempted Village Schools, Northmor Local Schools and*

*Mansfield City Schools* for their participation and commitment to improvement. Fifty teachers and administrators from 7 districts have attended 6 sessions over the course of the 2014/15 school year. The series focused on strategies that improve achievement of all students, specifically students with disabilities. Click

[HERE](#) for more information, pictures, and links. We look forward to offering similar professional development in 2015/16. For more information, please contact Barb Gentile Green at [bgentile-green@ncoesc.org](mailto:bgentile-green@ncoesc.org).



Where is your district in the implementation of **Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports (PBIS)**? Directly from [O.R.C 3301-35-15](#), PBIS is a framework that leads to effective social and learning outcomes in school communities, while preventing problem behavior. It creates a positive learning environment for all children and staff which increases academic performance, reduces bullying and ensures students' safety.

*SST Region 7 is offering another professional development opportunity for district teams on April 14 & 15, 2015.* For more information about the training, click [HERE](#). If your district is implementing PBIS, check out the 5-step process form to analyze behavioral data and plan for effective interventions. It can be found [HERE](#). For more info about PBIS, click [HERE](#).

### ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT REMINDER:

**April 17 is the final day to enter students' Alternate Assessment scores into the Data Entry Interface (DEI). Make sure this is completed by 11:59 PM on April 17! The DEI can be accessed [HERE](#)**

*Lots more great stuff on page 2...*

We'd like to give a shout out to Richland Newhope Industries with a thanks for sharing their exciting



work with us...Click [HERE](#) for the news release from their: **Can Do! Like You** DD Awareness Month. Also, *check out their Facebook Page* for more

updates and photos! Want us to share your story? Contact Julie.

### Parent Roadmaps to the Reading and Math Standards-Council of the Great City Schools

*Roadmaps are designed to help parents support their children at home with the reading and math standards.*



<http://www.cgcs.org/domain/36>

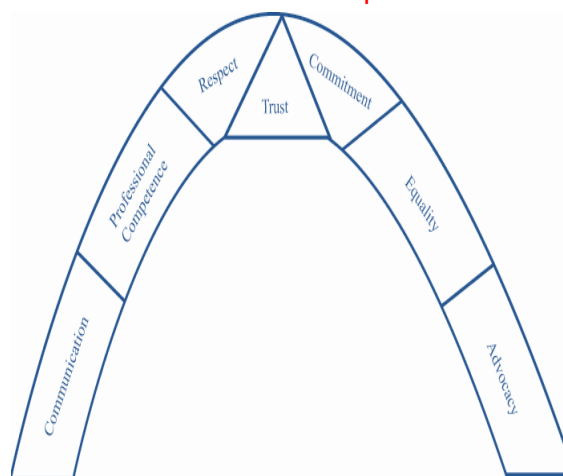
### Looking at new program adoption?



Check this out: <http://www.edreports.org/>

EdReports.org is an independent nonprofit designed to improve K-12 education. Their free reviews focus on "alignment to the Common Core and other indicators of high quality as recommended by educators".

### Parent Educator Partnerships:



Research shows that when parents and educators partner on behalf of children, student achievement improves. **This visual depicts the necessary components for effective school-home partnerships.** How are partnerships going in your district, or on behalf of your children? How strong is the cornerstone of trust? Taking the time to improve partnerships between schools and parents is time spent improving outcomes for our students! Call your SST7 Consultants for more information☺.

*Seats and books still available for our **Time to Laugh and Relax program, FREE!** Click [HERE](#) to view flier.*

### Looking for a Math Resource?



<https://vimeo.com/118434508>

[Illustrativemathematics.org](http://illustrativemathematics.org) provides carefully vetted resources for teachers and teacher leaders to give our children an understanding of mathematics and skill in using it.

Do you have a partner for **Ohio's Career Exploration Internship Program**? This is an opportunity for ALL students and a way to help inform your local businesses. See details [HERE](#).

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