



# **Teacher of the Year**

# **Quarterly Update**

Renee Jones- 2023 Nebraska Teacher of the Year



# Professional Development:

- CCSSO, Teacher of the Year Orientation, February 14-18, Santa Clara, CA
  - Google Campus visit- February 16, 2023
  - Storytelling Workshop- February 17, 2023
- Transforming Trauma Summit: Demystifying Mental Health, March 27, Omaha
- Restorative Practice Training- Lincoln Public Schools

## Take-a-ways:

- ESU 1 has a five year tired plan to support the mental health of staff.
- Focusing on restorative and trauma capable training to support and serve the students/ staff in Nebraska.





# Future Educators:

- Doane University, *February 7th*
- Educators Rising- State Conference: *March 7, UNL Campus*
- University of NE Lincoln- (Aspiring Educators), *March 23*
- Doane University, Graduate class, *March 29*
- Midland University, *March 30*

## Take-a-ways:

- Undergraduate students expressed concern for behaviors and support in schools.
- Ed Rising High School students- great energy, inspired by their own educators.



# School Visits:



- *Laura Dodge Elementary School, Omaha Public Schools, March 3*
- *North Platte High School, North Platte, April 3*



## Take-a-ways:

- Teachers mentioning the feeling of overwhelm and under appreciation.
- Positive and creative use of spaces within the school to create unique experiences for students.
- Upcoming strategies to digitally manage tardies/truancy



# Other:



- NSEA Dinner with a Senator, *March 7, Lincoln*
- KLIN, Drive Time with Dan Parsons, *March 30, Lincoln*
- Omaha World Herald- Scholarship Judge, *April 5*
- "What the World Needs Now", *podcast, April 6*
- *Personal research about cell phones/policy and practice*

## Take-a-ways:

- Teachers expressed concern with lack of funding for future educators (ex: Ed Rising- National conf. opportunities)
- Teachers were concerned about use of cell phones in the classroom- *research*





# Upcoming Events:

- CCSSO, Washington Week, April 22–27, Washington D.C.
- NSEA Delegate Assembly, April 28
- Innovate School Summit (presenter and attendee), July 5–9, Las Vegas
- Space Camp, July 19–24, 2023
- Administrative Days, July 27–28



