



# COLLEGE AND CAREER READY

A WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION FOR MILITARY-CONNECTED STUDENTS

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Current Events and Happenings on DoDEA's College and Career Ready Innovation

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## Provided in this edition of the CCR Bulletin is

information on an important capacity inventory DoDEA is conducting, an update on the plans for purchasing new curriculum materials in mathematics and English /language arts, and a message from a mathematics coach from Ramstein Intermediate School, Kaiserslautern District.

If you would like to provide a short article about your lessons learned with implementing CCRSM, please send it to [david.butler@hq.dodea.edu](mailto:david.butler@hq.dodea.edu) for consideration.



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### DoDEA Sponsors a System-wide Organizational Capacity Inventory: Open January 13 - 22

DoDEA educators around the globe will receive a link, via e-mail, to complete a voluntary survey: *Organizational Capacity Inventory for DoDEA*. The all-volunteer inventory is being conducted by the National Center for Literacy Education (NCLE) and is sponsored by DoDEA. Your principal will send you the voluntary survey link via e-mail for use during January 13 – 22. The higher the response rate, the more authentic the data and the more actionable the data results will be for DoDEA CCR planning and implementation. Your response is anonymous and is sent directly to NCLE for data collection and analysis. We encourage you to complete the volunteer survey as soon as you are able so that your teaching experience and classroom perspective influences DoDEA leadership through this needs assessment protocol.

### Curriculum Materials Purchases: Mathematics K - 8 and English/Language Arts grades 6 - 12

We are making progress to secure new materials and resources for classrooms for grades 6-12 English/language arts and grades K-8 mathematics that are aligned to our CCR Standards. We have reached the stage of the procurement process where the technical evaluation teams will review the vendor technical submissions in January and February. The teams will perform technical evaluations of vendor submissions in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth in the respective solicitations. The results of the technical evaluations will be considered as part of the best value determinations leading to contract awards. The evaluation teams consist of teachers, instructional system specialists and administrators from all three DoDEA areas. The plan is to place new mathematics and English/language arts materials in schools in May 2016 for implementation use during school year 2016-17. Training and orientation on the new materials will be provided for teachers prior to implementing the new materials and resources.

### Math Yesterday and Today – Deanna Dunn, Math Coach

Math today is quite different compared to when I was in school. This new journey is about growing and becoming better educators for our students. As a Math Coach at Ramstein Intermediate School, one of my responsibilities is to assist teachers in their instructional planning through analyzing student data. The students are learning how to solve problems, use critical thinking, and persevere among their grade-level peers. The teachers have worked hard to make this implementation successful through collaboration and planning. The shift from “answer finding” to exploring different ideas and methods has allowed students to respect the diversity of others’ opinions. Students are growing together through sharing their ideas and thinking. This allows teachers to collaborate with their colleagues while sharing their successes and concerns in the classroom. Our vision to set students up for success is taking shape. Students are ready to learn, and we are ready to teach.