

LYON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Staff Travel Report
to
School Board of Trustees

Your recent request to travel has been approved. Within two weeks of the date of the conference, the following report is due in the office of the Deputy Superintendent.

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Staff Member:	Cari Bunyard	School:	District Office
Conference:	Nevada Association for the Education of Young Children	Staff Assignment	MTSS academic coordinator
Do not use acronyms			
Location of Conference:	Las Vegas	Dates Attended:	April 24th-April 26

General Overview: Do not use acronyms

The conference serves as a premier early childhood event in Nevada, bringing together early childhood educators, administrators, students, researchers, and teacher educators. The purpose is to promote high-quality early learning for all children from birth through age 8 by connecting practice, policy, and research. The conference included sessions on managing challenging behaviors in children, understanding child development, building authentic family engagement, advanced leadership training, the role of men in early childhood education, creating positive learning environments, social-emotional learning, inclusion and working with children with special needs, and promoting educator wellness and reducing burnout.

How will this impact student learning in a positive way?

By implementing these best practices learned from the conference student learning will be impacted in a positive way. I can directly coach and support teachers in adopting more effective teaching methods. A recent session, "Inclusion through Multi-Tiered Systems of Support," equipped me with valuable tools and resources to foster social-emotional learning across all tiers. This aligns strongly with the Lyon County School District's Multi-Tiered Systems of Support model, which plays a crucial role in addressing student gaps and providing comprehensive support. Work force retention was another valuable session I attended. It encourages me to think more creatively about how to build in those motivating factors, fostering an environment where teachers not only feel supported but also genuinely fulfilled and invested in their vital work. Creating developmentally appropriate practices in all grade levels and most importantly in birth through ages eight was another clear theme at the conference. This allowed me to reflect and plan engaging lessons to help support teachers in our district at all levels.

*How will I implement what I learned and how will I share
this information with my colleagues?*

Moving forward, I will apply my learning by providing ongoing coaching and modeling lessons for teachers within the district. This information will be shared with colleagues during professional development sessions on early release days. Additionally, I will develop and deliver targeted trainings on key topics such as teacher efficacy, play-based learning, early childhood transitions, social-emotional learning, and family-home connections to enhance teacher skills and knowledge across our district.

Other Comments:

Thank you Lyon County School District Board and Special Services Department for affording me the opportunity to attend this conference. I would recommend this conference in the future for all Pre-K and Kindergarten teachers.


Site Principal/Supervisor Approval

Date

4/30/25


Deputy Superintendent Approval

Date

5/1/25