

FEBRUARY 2024 BOARD REPORT

LOVE TEACHING WEEK 2024

Love Teaching Week was February 14th through February 21st all across the state and the country. #LoveTeachingWeek is a grassroots campaign started by teachers in 2015 as an opportunity to celebrate teaching, leading, and learning in a way that unites and invigorates educators and those they inspire all around the world. Every year, Valentine's Day marks the beginning of a week-long conversation that aims to illuminate why teachers enter and remain in the field of education, offering a mindset shift from the seemingly singular focus on the challenges of the profession. I spent the week visiting schools across the state and got the chance to hug two of my favorite teachers – now administrators – Susanna Post, 2021 Arkansas Teacher of the Year, and Courtney Leigh Mann, 2017 Arkansas Teacher of the Year!!



UCA TEACHER FAIR

On February 23rd, I went to the University of Central Arkansas to support the university's Teacher Fair! Teacher candidates were able to connect with districts from all across the state to make connections for employment opportunities. I was thoroughly impressed by the professionalism and enthusiasm of their students and even saw one of my former students as she passed out her resume!



The Arkansas Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission
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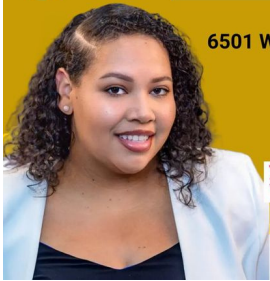


BALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM

FEBRUARY 29, 2024 10:00 AM



Bale Elementary School
6501 West 32nd Street Little Rock, Arkansas 72204
For more information contact
888-290-KING or (501) 447-3600
Keynote Speaker: Capri Bell Salaam
Arkansas Teacher of the Year



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

During the month of February, Black History Month provides an opportunity to recognize and acknowledge the significant contributions and achievements of black individuals throughout history. The Arkansas Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission, in partnership with Bale Elementary, invited me to be the keynote speaker at their Black History Month program. During the program, I provided the history of why we celebrate Black History Month in February and spoke about the landmark 1964 Civil Rights Act. This year marks the 60th anniversary of the signing of the act!

EDUCATOR SPOTLIGHT



Leslee Tell
Conway School District
FACS Teacher



Bokari Williams, PCSSD AVID
Coordinator
J. Williams, Teacher Candidate