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Regional Coordinator Biographies



Charles Watson, Ed.D. (North-Central Arkansas region)

Dr. Charles Watson's long career in public education spans 55 years. He has served as a high school mathematics and science teacher, program manager for the Arkansas Department of Education, and associate professor in the Department of Mathematics at the University of Central Arkansas (UCA). His experience as a classroom teacher, administrator, and policy administrator over the years demonstrates his dedication to advancing mathematics education.

Most recently, Dr. Watson served as co-chair of the state's initiative to develop multiple mathematics pathways for students entering higher education. His work included creation and implementation of an alternate gateway mathematics course to College Algebra – Quantitative Literacy – for non-STEM students. Although Dr. Watson will retire at the end of the Spring 2019 semester, he will continue to impact student learning in mathematics in new and innovative ways.



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| Institutions to Support as Regional Coordinator | |
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| University of Central Arkansas | Arkansas State University - Beebe |
| Arkansas Northeastern College | Arkansas State University – Newport |
| University of Arkansas Community College at Batesville | Ozarka College |
| Black River Technical College | Arkansas State University – Mountain Home |
| North Arkansas College | North West Arkansas Community College |
| Arkansas Tech University | University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton |
| University of Arkansas | Arkansas State University – Jonesboro |
| University of Arkansas Pulaski Tech College | University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences |
| University of Arkansas – Fort Smith | |

