

# NORTH MS EDUCATION CONSORTIUM

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## INVESTING IN FUTURE EDUCATORS

For More Than 10 Years, NMEC has donated \$10,000 for scholarships, but recently increased its investment to endowed statuses. Full-time Itawamba Community College students who major in education have an opportunity to apply for the scholarship, which requires the recipient to maintain a 3.0 GPA and demonstrate potential for success as well as leadership skills and opportunities that will benefit them as a teacher. They must have graduated from NMEC member school districts with a high school GPA of 3.5 or higher.

*"Our sole purpose here at NMEC is to help children in our communities, our service area, and across the entire state. We believe our contribution to ICC is an investment in our youth. This investment in the education of aspiring educators will impact and improve the lives of children in Mississippi for many years to come"*  
--Dr. Jimmy Weeks, Co-Director of NMEC

*"This increased investment is not only an investment in ICC students, but it is an investment into the future of education across the state." -- Chris Cox, Educators Rising*

Continue to read our monthly newsletters for ways NMEC is investing in our future educators throughout the state by supporting community colleges, University of Mississippi, and other educational entities.



## TEACHER TIP TUESDAY

Come join teachers across the state to learn something new every Tuesday starting at 3:30PM!

This short zoom meeting each week will provide you with tips and exciting resources to use in your classroom!

## SEPTEMBER TOPICS

- SEPTEMBER 8: DR. JANIE CONWAY; *ENGAGING FACE TO FACE (F2F) LEARNERS WHILE SOCIAL DISTANCING IN TODAY'S CLASSROOM!*
- SEPTEMBER 15: DR. BRIAN BUCKHALTER; *WHEN THE MANIPULATIVES GO VIRTUAL TOO!*
- SEPTEMBER 22: JACKY PIPKIN; *CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE WITH GOOGLE FORMS!*
- SEPTEMBER 28: DR. KRISTINA LIVINGSTON; *MAKE IT STICK!*

<https://www.northmsec.com/teachertiptuesday/>

# NMEC ONLINE CLASSES AVAILABLE

## SELF-PACED CLASSES

### MASTERING THE BASIC MULTIPLICATION AND DIVISION FACTS *BY DR. BRIAN BUCKHALTER*

<https://www.northmsec.com/course/masteringmd/>



Being “good at math” often referred to knowing basic facts quickly. But is that what defines a mathematically proficient student? What about the other skills—measurement, angles, fractions, time, etc.”? What role does knowing the basic addition and subtraction facts playing in learning other content? This course will examine the trajectory, or journey, of students learning the basic addition and subtraction facts.

### MASTERING THE BASIC ADDITION AND SUBTRACTION FACTS *BY DR. BRIAN BUCKHALTER*

<https://www.northmsec.com/course/masteringas/>

### TRAUMA-INFORMED INSTRUCTION: WHAT TEACHERS NEED TO KNOW *BY DR. LISA WHITE AND BONNIE OWEN*

<https://www.northmsec.com/course/trauma/>

We know many of our students have experienced trauma in their lives. Those traumatic experiences, along with the fear associated with COVID-19 over the past few months, have created an urgent need for teachers to understand and utilize trauma-informed instructional strategies as a daily part of their professional practice. In this course, participants will learn how trauma impacts a person’s development and education as well as several trauma-informed instructional strategies to meet the needs of all learners.



**DR. LISA WHITE**

**BONNIE OWEN**



## TEAM MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Ms. Briana Stewart manages the daily function and development of the professional development database for the MS Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs). In addition, she assists with accounts payable for the North MS Education Consortium. She also acts as a liaison between educators, school districts, the MS Department of Education, and various other parties to aid in the facilitation of continuing education programs (traditional and virtual).

Out of high school, Ms. Stewart had intentions of joining the military before college, but as life does, plans changed. After completing her Bachelors of General Studies from the University of Mississippi with focus in Computer Science, Mathematics, and Mathematics Education and obtaining a position at NMEC in May 2013, she decided to go back to her original plan and inquire about military opportunities.

Ms. Stewart was accepted into the Officer Candidate School (OCS) through the Army National Guard in January 2020. She departs for her basic and officer training in mid-September and will be return to NMEC in the Spring.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**September 14-November 13:** Certified Academic Language Therapy (CALT) Training

**September 17-October 6:** Writing Defensible IEPs

**September 21-22:** Parent, Family, and Community Engagement: Another Active Response to Covid19

**October 7:** Diversity, Equity and Education

**October 12:** Trauma-Informed Instruction: What Teachers Need to Know (Face to Face)

**October 13-15:** Trauma-Informed Instruction: What Teachers Need to Know (Online)

**ONLINE:** <https://nmec.msresaservices.com/all-workshops/categories-online>

**Registration for Regional Literacy Training for K-3 Teachers (LETRS)-3rd Edition Units 1-8;** contact Leighanne Cheeseman, [lcheeseman@mdek12.org](mailto:lcheeseman@mdek12.org)