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Regional Office of Education

Department Mission Statement:

The McHenry County Regional Office of Education(ROE) provides positive educational leadership for county educators, school districts and the community keeping the best interest of the children of McHenry County at the forefront. The office performs regulatory functions as directed by the Illinois School Code and the Illinois State Board of Education. As mandated by the Illinois State Board of Education, the ROE does decennial and 5-year audits of all 18 school districts in McHenry County. The ROE annually inspects and ensures the safety of all 84 school buildings in McHenry County, provides continuing education for teachers, trains bus drivers and disseminates information to McHenry County district superintendents, principals, teachers and residents.

Program Description (By OCA Code)	Customers Served	Mandated Service	Funding Source
OCA 21001 Educational Service Region – The Regional Superintendent is an elected official created by the Illinois General Assembly. Specific duties are enumerated in the Illinois School Code and can be summarized in two major areas: service and assurance. The Regional Superintendent is responsible for ensuring all schools in McHenry County meet health/life/safety requirements. The Superintendent also audits all districts for fiscal viability, student progress, adherence to State statutory curriculum requirements et. al.) The ROE is a service resource for administrators, teachers and students in McHenry County. The ROE licenses educators and assists them with any questions they have, provides continuing education programs for educators, assists students in acquiring the transcript and certificate for GED completion, provides mandatory bus driver training. The ROE also reaches out to students with low attendance rates in order to improve attendance. (5 ILSC 3/3-13)	18 school districts, 1 special education cooperative, 1 alternative school, staff and students of 84 buildings, citizens of McHenry County	105 ILCS Article 3A	General Assembly directed salaries of Regional Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent to come from personal property replacement tax, annual budget from McHenry County to provide office, personnel, and supplies drawn from General Fund.
Registration and renewal of teacher certificates	All McHenry County educators	105 ILCS 5/21-14	McHenry County General Fund
Registration and renewal of administrative certificates	All McHenry County administrators (principals, superintendents, etc.)	105 ILCS 5/21-7.1	

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ROE authorizes school "Recognition" based on adequacy of school in meeting standards for instruction and curriculum, and the physical plant.	Students, educators and families of McHenry County	105 ILCS 5/3-14.21	McHenry County General Fund
Supervision and control of school districts, inspection of finances, building plans	Students and families of McHenry county	105 ILCS 5/3-14.2, 14.20, 14.21,	McHenry County General Fund
High school equivalency testing program (GED)	Students of McHenry County	105 ILCS 5/15.12	McHenry County General Fund
In-service training of educators	Educators in McHenry County	105 ILCS 5/3-11	McHenry County General Fund
Annual safety training and permitting of school bus drivers	McHenry County bus drivers	105 ILCS 5/3-14.23	McHenry County General Fund