



Montana's RESAs

Collaborating to Improve Education for Montana's Children

Mission

- Optimize school resources
- Enhance efficiency of school operations
- Provide opportunities for meaningful professional development
- Collaborate

What services do Montana's RESAs currently provide?

1. Professional Development

- Specific teaching topics including technology, Indian Education for All, gifted education, and common core subjects
- School responsibilities like education of homeless students and non-English speakers, Title IX (discrimination, harassment, bullying, and child abuse), and Title I (educating disadvantaged students)
- 2014-2015 School Year Montana RESAs Professional Development Snapshot
 - Presented 468 events (workshops, distance learning, and specialized events at individual schools)
 - Served 856 administrators and 6,371 teachers.

2. Optimization and Increased Efficiency

- Collective purchasing
- Sharing of resources, both physical and human

3. Collaboration

- Meeting schools' needs through working together

What is likely to be in the future for Montana's RESAs?

- Helping Montana schools and educators improve education of our students through the use of data to inform instruction
- Building strong partnerships between and among schools
- Using economies of scale to lower more schools' fixed costs

Through a shared set of values and similar missions, RESAs, working with their member schools, collaborators, and partners, will improve education for Montana's children.

Contact Information for Montana Regional Education Service Areas (RESA)

PESA – Prairie Educational Service Area

Mr. Terry Annalora, Director
P. O. Box 968
Miles City, MT 59301
(406) 853-8312
Web Site: www.mt-pesa.org

Email: pesa@midrivers.com

MNCESR – Montana North Central Educational Services Region

Jessica McGowan, Director
875 McGowan Road
Highwood, MT
(406) 733-2541
Web Site: www.mncesr.org

Email: jmcgowan@3rivers.net

MRESA3 – Montana Regional Education Service Area 3

Marsha Sampson, Director
John Keener, MRESA3 Coordinator
College of Education
1500 University Drive
Billings, MT 59101
(406) 657-2085
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Montana-Regional-Education-Service-Area-III/156944984350266>

Email: msampson@msubillings.edu
Email: john.keener@msubillings.edu

SouthWest Montana School Services– Regional Education Service Area 4 You (RESA4U)

Bruce Grubbs, Executive Director
Jeff Blessum, Director of Education Services
404 W Main Street
Bozeman, MT 59715
(406) 624-3336 or (800) 284-9271
Web Site: <http://www.swmss.coop>

Email: bgrubbs@symss.coop
Email: jblessum@symss.coop

WMRESA – Western Montana Regional Education Service Area

Daisy Carlsmith, Director
4 School Lane
Trout Creek, MT 59874
(406) 827-3629
Web Site: www.wmplc.org/

Email: director@wmplc.org

Julia Cruse
OPI Contact: jcruse@mt.gov (406) 444-0769