

## CIRCLES Capacity Building Institute 2025

**Thursday, October 23, 2025**

8:00 - 9:00	Visit Exhibitors - <i>Grand Lobby</i>				
9:00 - 9:15	Welcome and Overview of the Day <i>Horner Hall</i>				
9:15 - 10:15	Opening Session and Keynote Speaker: Dr. Catherine Fowler <i>Rooms 207-208</i>				
10:15 - 10:45	Q&A - Discussion to Support Schools in thinking about CIRCLES Implementation: <i>Rooms 207-208</i>				
10:45-10:55	Transition to Breakouts				
(A) Breakout Sessions 10:55 - 11:50	Room 207-208 General Session	Rooms 201-202	Rooms 203-204	Room 205	Room 209
	Communicating with school and community partners	Preparing Students for the SLT by narrowing down student interests	STAR & embedding Career Councils with CIRCLES	CIRCLES in Rural Areas: Tips and Resources for Supporting Families	Connecting the SLT to IEP
11:50 - 12:50	Team Planning Session #1 / Lunch: <i>Grab a boxed lunch in the lobby and head to your team's meeting – <a href="#">see team location sheet</a></i>				
12:50-1:00	Transition to Breakouts				

(B) Breakout Sessions 1:00 - 1:50	<b>Room 207-208 General Session</b>	<b>Rooms 201-202</b>	<b>Rooms 203-204</b>	<b>Room 205</b>	<b>Room 209</b>
	CIRCLES from an Administrators Point of View (why they believe in it, why it is important; support from the admin [e.g., access to resources, time]; how to go above and beyond as an admin)	Thinking Outside the Box: Engaging Students to Actively Participate in their SLT	Collaborating with Families and Communities	Sustaining CIRCLES Overtime: Considerations from Rogers AR	Growing and Refreshing your CLT
2:00 - 2:20	Visit Exhibitors: <i>Grand Lobby</i>				
2:20 - 3:00	<b>General Session</b> <b>CIRCLES Success Stories + Q&amp;A</b> <b>Panel: Rogers, Hazel Park, University School, Bryant, Conway</b>				
3:00-3:10	<b>Team Planning Session #2 &amp; Networking</b>				
(C) Breakout Sessions: Into rooms by consultant and/or state 3:10 - 4:30	<b>Room 207-208</b>	<b>Rooms 201-202</b>	<b>Rooms 203-204</b>	<b>Room 205</b>	<b>Room 209</b>
	Maryanne Caldwell (maybe Paul)  NW AR Teams KS Teams	Ashley and Jennifer Miller  NE/SW AR Teams TN Teams	Karen  SE AR Teams	Carrie  Central AR Teams Michigan Teams	Jeremy (Aleecia)  LR/Surrounding Area AR Teams
5:00-7:00	<b>Optional Embassy Suites Lobby Networking and Happy Hour</b>				

<b>Friday, October 24, 2025</b>					
	<b>Room 207-208 General Session</b>				

	<b>8:30-11:30</b>
<b>8:30-9:15</b>	<b>Jeff Adams - Director of Special Education, AR Department of Education</b>
<b>9:15-9:30</b>	<b>Award Recognition of School Staff, Administrators, and Community Members</b>
<b>9:30-10:00</b>	<b>Student/Youth/Family Panel</b>
<b>10:00-10:45</b>	<b>Team Planning Session #3 and Activity Time</b>
<b>10:45 - 11:30</b>	<b>Share Out + Collaboration Celebration</b>