About the Comprehensive Center Program

The U.S. Department of Education’s Comprehensive Center program awards discretionary grants that support 22 comprehensive centers to help increase state capacity to assist districts and schools in meeting student achievement goals.

Fifteen Regional Centers, each serving a federally designated region, provide frontline assistance to State Education Agencies (SEAs) as they implement the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and other related school improvement programs. Seven Content Centers focus on specific areas of expertise and supply research-based information that Regional Centers use when working with SEAs:

- Building State Capacity and Productivity
- College and Career Readiness and Success
- Enhancing Early Learning Outcomes
- Great Teachers and Leaders
- Innovations in Learning
- School Turnaround
- Standards and Assessments Implementation

About the ARCC

The Appalachia Regional Comprehensive Center (ARCC) is one of 15 Regional Centers funded by the U.S. Department of Education to help SEAs build their capacity to implement initiatives that improve educational outcomes for all students, close achievement gaps, and improve the quality of instruction.

The ARCC serves Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia, and responds to state and regional needs by developing and implementing plans that support, scale up, and sustain statewide reforms in the following key areas:

- College- and career-ready standards and aligned, high-quality assessments for all students
- Highly effective teachers and leaders
- Turning around the lowest-performing schools
- Readiness and success of preschool-age children and their successful transition to kindergarten-through-grade-three (K–3) learning
- Rigorous instructional pathways that support the successful transition of all students from secondary education to college and careers
- Innovative approaches to teaching and learning
- Data-based decision-making to improve instructional practices, policies, and student outcomes

Our Services

The ARCC provides a range of services to SEAs, including:

- Workshops, webinars, and conferences
- Coaching, in-person advisories, and communities of practice
- Collaborative planning and benchmarking
- Customized tools and resources
- Referrals to other technical assistance providers

To submit requests for assistance online visit www.arccta.org/request-assistance or call us toll-free at 1-855-355-2722 (ARCC).