

**Fiscal Year 2010/2011 Budget
Program Description**

REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Department Mission Statement:

<p>The McHenry County Regional Office of Education acts as an advocate for education by providing positive leadership, performing regulatory functions directed by the Illinois School Code and the Illinois State Board of Education, coordinating and delivering state and local services, and disseminating information for educators, school districts and the community.</p>			
Program Description (By OCA Code)	Customers Served	Mandated Service	Funding Source
<p>OCA 210001 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/compliance.</p> <p>Service components are generally grouped as legislative, legal, cooperative management, research dissemination, educational administration and citizen representation. Each service component requires specific skills placing the Regional Superintendent in an alliance agent role. As alliance agent, the Regional Superintendent brings together people, concepts and resources to provide educational services and assurance for the local population.</p> <p>Assurances to the public include fiscal responsibilities, local performance, health/life safety, teacher certification and registration, supervision and curriculum. In these areas, legislation places enforcement responsibilities on the Regional Superintendent to guarantee that certain minimum standards are met and legal parameters followed. The Regional Superintendent is directly responsible to the legislature and the electorate. In most instances, enforcement responsibilities become services to help schools and school personnel meet minimum expectations in the ongoing process of school regulation.</p> <p>Finally, the Regional Superintendent works in cooperation with the Illinois State Board of Education and the local districts in the region to initiate, refine, and fulfill both local and statewide directives.</p>	<p>18 school districts; 1 special education cooperative; 1 alternative school; staff, students of eighty one buildings; citizens of McHenry County</p>	<p>105 ILCS</p>	<p>General Assembly to ISBE to Regional Superintendent and Assistant Regional Superintendent in salary; annual budget from McHenry County to provide office, personnel, supplies drawn from General Fund</p>