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Security Monitoring and Identity Restoration

Discounts for PEI members and their families.

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Save the Date!



2021 STAR EDUCATOR CONFERENCE

Friday, August 6, 2021
Windsor Heights Community Center
6900 School Street, Windsor Heights, IA

Two New Enneagram Classes Announced!

The Enneagram as a Lens for Understanding Student Behavior will be taught by Barb Ranck, owner of Courageously Imperfect (CI).



The Enneagram defines nine personality types, each driven by their own set of core emotions, fears, and beliefs. Bringing understand to these nine personality types increases empathy and compassion for your students, your peers, and for yourself.

Barb has a heart for educators and education, earning her B.A. in Secondary Education and a Masters in Adult Learning & Human Performance. She has nearly 25 years of experience training individuals on effective communication, leadership, and personal development. More recently, Barb became a certified life coach, helping to transform individuals and small groups through personal coaching. She has found the Enneagram to be the most comprehensive, efficient model to understand the unique differences among humans.

Evening classes will be held via zoom beginning in March and are scheduled to accommodate a teacher's schedule.

To learn more about the classes and schedule, click [here](#).

PEI Members Named 2021 Regional Iowa STEM Teacher Award Recipients!



Congratulations to **Sheryl Kennedy**, Camanche Elementary, Southeast Region, and **Robbie Cundy**, Sioux Center High School, Northwest Region, on being named recipients of the 2021 Iowa STEM Teacher Awards!

The Iowa Governor's STEM Advisory Council joined with Kemin Industries to honor teachers who are making a significant difference in the lives of students by inspiring a passion for STEM beyond the classroom and into the future.

2021-2022 Iowa Governor's STEM Scale-Up Program is Now Open for [Applications](#)

View the Iowa STEM Council's [twelve programs](#)

A View from the Hill



Education is by far the largest item in the Iowa state budget, accounting for 56 cents out of every taxpayer dollar spent. The total State aid from the General Fund is estimated to be \$3.418 billion for fiscal year 2022, an increase of \$36.5 million (1.08%) compared to last year.

The first item to be debated yesterday morning in the Iowa Senate was **State Supplemental Aid (SSA)**.

Senate File 269 contains several main funding points. It establishes a 2.40% State percent of growth rate to be applied to the State cost per pupil for fiscal year 2022 of \$155 per pupil. [Read more.](#)

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