

## **Nebraska Department of Education**

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# High Ability Learning

**July 2020** 

#### Meet the new High Ability Learning Specialist: Sheyanne Meadows



Hello Nebraska!

My name is Sheyanne Meadows, and I am SO excited to be here. I look forward to connecting with each and every one of you, but until then, I will tell you a little bit about myself. I was born and raised in Ohio, so I am a Midwesterner at heart. When it came time for college, I packed my bags and moved south to Nashville, TN. I attended Belmont University and received my Bachelors degree in English Writing and my Master's degree in Teaching. I worked at Vanderbilt Programs for Talented Youth for 4 years. I worked in their summer programs, grant projects, as well as

the invaluable experience of being exposed to experts in the field of gifted education. With my license in 6-12 English and my certification in gifted from Vanderbilt, I taught Middle School Gifted ELA in Murfreesboro, TN. In the middle of a global pandemic, I accepted this position, packed my bags (again), and took off in a U-Haul for Lincoln, NE.

I am excited to share my passion for gifted education with all of the fabulous educators in the state. Most importantly, I want you to know that I am here to support HAL students and YOU! Please feel free to reach out to me at anytime with questions, comments, concerns, or anything in between.

I look forward to meeting all of you!

Stay safe,
Sheyanne Meadows
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## Coming Soon: Monthly Newsletters

Stay up to date on the latest happenings with HAL by signing up for the monthly newsletter. The newsletter will include upcoming PD opportunities, announcements, recent research, tips for HALs, and more! Encourage your coworkers, admin, friends and more to sign up. You can sign up by emailing <a href="mailto:sheyanne.meadows@nebraska.gov">sheyanne.meadows@nebraska.gov</a>



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## Looking Toward August:



#### **HAL State Funding**

As August approaches, it is never too early to start thinking about your materials for the HAL Funding Application. More details will be available as we near August.

#### **HAL Plan Webinar**

Having trouble writing a HAL Plan for your funding application? Do you have questions about the application process? Tune in to a Webinar on August 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm with Sheyanne. The Webinar will include an exemplar plan, how to update your HAL plan, and a Q&A regarding the HAL Funding application. Mark your calendars! Please register at the following link:

https://educationne.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlrceGgqTojGNz3bdW6mETOBQHd5dly8Cxa

### Fill out the Initial HAL Survey!



Use your voice and fill out the Initial HAL Survey. Go to the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfEvNW8tX0wIMbTTIWkXPHRQ5ikNzEkjSvEQWU2UuM MxLJUAQ/viewform?usp=sf\_link

This information will help shape professional development in your district/ESU, as well as priorities at the state level.



