

# GOOD NEWS

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## KCM RELEASES MULTI-SERIES VIRTUAL PD COURSES

The KCM is hard at work to ensure Kentucky teachers have access to innovative professional development from home.

Through the newly launched KCM Virtual site, mathematics teachers from all grade levels will have access to live zoom meetings, video records and corresponding materials. Each series features a daily-live zoom chat targeted at different grade levels. These chats are led by KCM Regional Consultants, staff and other Kentucky math education leaders.

The first series, entitled "Virtual Make 'n Take," launched on March 23rd. These sessions were designed specifically to support elementary math fluency. KCM Regional Consultants led the way, hosting participants from all across the commonwealth and beyond. The popularity of these courses was recognized by live sessions exceeding 215 attendees. One participant commented, "these continue to be very helpful for our school!"

Series two saw a shift in gears to provide support to middle grade teachers. This series, entitled Let's Do Math, launched on March 30th. The Let's Do Math series was led by KCM Directors, Regional Consultants and Faculty Associates from Northern Kentucky University. Topics included fractions, decimals and proportional reasoning.

The third series is set to launch on Monday, April 6th. This series, called Math Intervention Expert Talks, will focus on math intervention techniques. The chats will be lead by KCM Regional Consultants and several Math Intervention Teachers (MITs) from throughout Kentucky. MITs who will be leading sessions are: Kristie Manley of Kenwood Elementary, Michael Hines of The New Haven School and Jackie Damron of Mullins Elementary School. Links to the sessions, which begin at 2 pm every weekday, can be found on the KCM Virtual Site and on KCM social media accounts.

The professional development will continue on into week four with a brand-new collection of chats. Week four chats will be called, Focus On Place Value. These sessions will see a return to primary focus. Chats will be led by KCM Regional Consultants, as well as elementary teachers from the community- Kim Jones of Audubon Traditional Elementary School in Jefferson County and Sloan Young and Brandy McDermitt of Grayson County.

An additional Let's Do Math series launched on March 26th, running every Thursday at 1 pm through the end of April. KCM Regional Consultant Dr. Leah Dix White will lead these sessions that focus on Algebra & Geometry.

**KCM Regional Consultant Tonda Thompson created a video series, featuring her granddaughter Lochlan, to help with kindergarten math lessons from home.**



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While participating in the live chats allows connection among participants and the ability to ask questions, all sessions are recorded and added to the Virtual site after they air. Materials used in the sessions can also be found on the site. The KCM is here to ensure all mathematics teachers and parents throughout Kentucky have access to outstanding resources outside of the classroom.