

Best Practices in Literacy Instruction and Program Implementation

The course will provide an overview of the NSSED Essential Skills Literacy Curriculum and best practices for well rounded literacy instruction across the school year. The group will review and generate instructional strategies for approaching instruction with comprehension, concepts of print, phonemic awareness, phonics, word reading, fluency, writing composition, writing skills and process, and language and vocabulary. A variety of literacy focused instructional programs will be reviewed (survey will be sent out to participants in advance to determine programs of interest). Participants will identify strategies to incorporate into their literacy instruction. Participants will become familiar with literacy focused instructional programs to help them make well informed decisions when trying out new programs with students in hybrid, remote, or in-person instructional settings.. The material is appropriate for Teachers, Teaching Assistants, Intervention Specialists, and SLPs teaching literacy skills to students with Developmental Delays, Intellectual Disabilities, Autism and Multiple Disabilities.

Learning Objectives/Outcomes: Participants will identify strategies to incorporate into their literacy instruction. Participants will become familiar with literacy focused instructional programs to help them make well informed decisions when trying out new programs with students.

Presenter Information: Kristen Kinsey and Erin Kranz, NSSED Instructional Coaches

Financial Disclosures: Kristen Kinsey & Erin Kranz are employees of Northern Suburban Special Education District.

Nonfinancial Disclosures: No relevant non-financial relationship exists

Location of Course: Live Zoom Session

Date of Course: Friday, October 9, 2020

Course start & end time: 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Satisfactory Completion:

Credit for attending a course is based on your signature on the sign in sheet as well as sign out sheet. All virtual courses will be held via Zoom Meetings or Zoom Webinar. Once registered, an email will be sent a week before the session with the link and instructions on how to join the Zoom Meeting/ Webinar. If attending a virtual course, attendance is based on your virtual signature in and out of the session. You will be asked to type your full name into the chat feature on Zoom when you enter the meeting and again type your full name before you leave the meeting. Failure to provide a virtual signature in and out may result in partial or no credit. Live Zoom Webinars will track your attendance automatically. Participants are expected to attend the entire session to earn credit. Partial attendance may result in partial or no PD credit.

All participants must complete an electronic evaluation of the class within two weeks of the session or final session to be sent a certificate. Individual courses may specify additional requirements for satisfactory completion, please check the course description for additional requirements.

Cost Information: Workshop fees are waived for NSSED employees, Member District* employees, and parents of students in our member districts. For individual participants who do not meet the above criteria, this course participation fee is **\$75.00**.

All Registration or material fees will be billed directly to the school district that employs the participant after the session is complete or the first session in a series is complete. Individuals are asked to not bring payment to the session.

Cancellations: There is no cancellation fee, though we ask for advanced notice to open the spot for another person. NSSED reserves the right to cancel any workshop due to low enrollment.

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Refunds: NSSED does not charge prior to the start of the course. If an individual attends the first day of a learning series but is unable to attend the remaining sessions, the school district that employs the participant is able to designate an alternate person. It is up to the individual no longer attending the program to give their replacement the information learned in the first session.

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