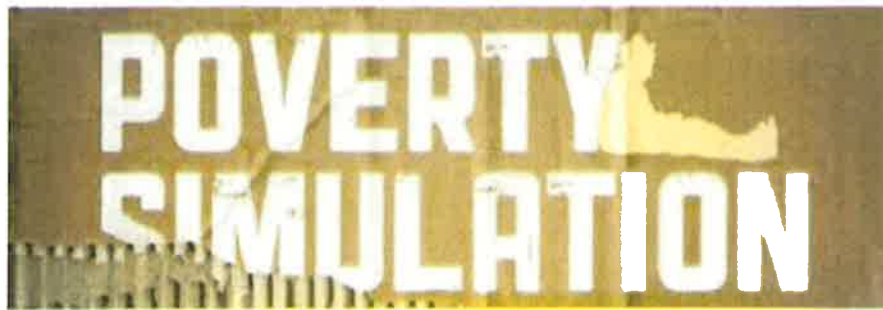


## The Lower Hudson Teacher Center Network Presents:



**Poverty** is a reality for many individuals and families. But unless you've experienced poverty, it's difficult to truly understand. The Lower Hudson Teacher Center Network will be facilitating a 3-hour *Poverty Simulation Experience* on **Friday, October 27** that will be a unique, enlightening experience to help individuals begin to understand what life is like with a shortage of money and an abundance of stress. It will move you to think about the harsh realities of poverty and to talk about how both school and local communities can address the problem collectively.

Families and individuals living in poverty face multiple challenges every day including: how to pay for food to feed their children, how to pay their rent, their childcare, transportation and medicine. This simulation will bridge the gap from misconception to understanding. It will allow participants to assume the roles of up to 26 different families facing a variety of obstacles including homelessness, unemployment and suddenly facing the responsibility of raising grandchildren.

This experience will mean different things to different participants. For educators, it can help them understand some of the complex issues their students and parents deal with on a daily basis. Poverty and hunger can lead to increased emotional and financial stress, increased risk of illness, and poor school performance. For local leaders, it can help them create programs and initiatives that will effectively address the issues facing those in their community. Poverty is not a stand alone issue – understanding it will inspire a commitment to making a positive difference.

**On Saturday, October 28, there will be a 6-hour training session (9:00am – 3:00pm) for those who attend the Friday night session and would like to become a Simulation trainer. Please note you must have prior approval from your local Teacher Center for the training session and your attendance on Friday is mandatory.**

Date: Friday, October 27, 2017  
Place: White Plains High School (South Gym)  
Address: 550 North Street  
Time: 4:00 – 7:00PM (Refreshments will be served)  
Cost: None – Sponsored by the Lower Hudson Teacher Center Network  
Registration: [www.ewteachercenter.com](http://www.ewteachercenter.com)

Date: Saturday, October 28, 2017 (Training Session)  
Place: White Plains Education House  
5 Homeside Lane, White Plains  
Time: 8:30 – 3:30PM (Continental Breakfast and Lunch will be served)  
Cost: None – Sponsored by the Lower Hudson Teacher Center Network  
Registration: [www.ewteachercenter.com](http://www.ewteachercenter.com)