



Teacher Center News

We are pleased to share that NYS Teacher Centers were once again included in the Governor's budget. The level of funding for 2020-21 will remain the same as last year's grant. We thank all our constituents for advocating on our behalf and we look forward to continuing our collaborative journey.

During these unprecedented times, the Edith Winthrop Teacher Center (EWTC) has been working hard to respond to the evolving needs of our consortium teachers. With the input of our member teachers and administrators, we quickly put in place free PD courses to support our teachers transitioning to distance learning.

At the end of March, the EWTC, in collaboration with our partner, the Rockland Teacher Center, offered an online Digital Learning Tools class. Because of the overwhelming response (over 70 teachers participated), our Lower Hudson regional network offered a second section in early April with 79 participants. In addition, the EWTC offered 4 more distance learning classes that filled up quickly with just our consortium teachers. We are grateful to our course instructors who were able to quickly put these courses in place and who generously accommodated all interested teachers even when the classes were oversubscribed.

In the upcoming months, as we all try to chart a new course, The Teacher Center will continue to provide professional learning opportunities that are responsive to our teachers' needs and the changing landscape. We are grateful to our union and district partners for their continued support and, with the NYSED 20-21 commitment in place, are looking forward to another productive year.

The Teacher Center Policy Board - If any consortium teacher is interested in joining our Policy Board, have your Union President contact us. If you have any questions, please contact Lori D'Andrea, Teacher Center Director (ldandrea@ewteachercenter.com).

The Teacher Center is offering the following courses at No Cost!



New York State Culturally Responsive-Sustaining Education Framework [June 1 - June 19](#)
Instructor, Michelle Kaczmarek

Book Study - Culturally Responsive Teaching and the Brain: Promoting Authentic Engagement and Rigor Among Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Students by Zaretta Hammond [July 6 - July 31](#)
Instructor, Michelle Kaczmarek

Book Study - Lost at School: Why our Kids with Behavioral Challenges are Falling Through the Cracks and How We Can Help Them [July 1 - July 31](#)
Instructor, Linda Palumbo

Teaching the Exceptional Child: An Introduction to Special Education [July 6 - August 2](#)
Instructor, Christine Metrinko

Look Who's Talking: Accountable Talk in Your Classroom [July 6 - August 2](#)
Instructor, Lori D'Andrea

Professional Development Mentor Program - Thursday, August 27, 9:00am - 3:30pm, November and March Dates TBD 4:00pm - 6:00pm

This course, which is only open to teachers from the Edith Winthrop Teacher Center, will also include two follow up meetings, one in the Fall and one in the Spring (dates to be determined at the first session on 8/27) from 4-6pm. There will be an additional 5 hours of online coursework. To register, [click here](#).

National Board Certification

NBCNY is offering two (2) virtual **National Board Certification Awareness Sessions** on April 28 at 3:00PM and May 20 at 4:00PM. To register for April 28, [click here](#) or to register for May 20, [click here](#).



The Westchester Teacher Center Institute
Upcoming Classes



DASA TRAINING: The Teacher Center will be offering a DASA Certification Workshop on Saturday, June 27. To register, [click here](#).

Teacher and Student Reflection [May 4 - June 12](#) - Instructor, Joan Carrozza

Managing ADHD and LD in the Classroom [June 10 - July 8](#) - Instructor, Mike DeMario

Growth Mindset [June 15 - July 12](#) - Instructor, Mike DeMario

Bringing More Formative Assessment Into Your Classroom [June 17 - July 15](#) - Instructor, Mike DeMario

Character Education [June 29 - July 24](#) - Instructor, Chris DeMario

Social and Emotional Development in the Classroom [June 29 - July 26](#) - Instructor, Joan Carrozza

The Mindful Classroom [July 1 - 30](#) - Instructor, Claire Cronin

Technology Generation [July 1 - 27](#) - Instructor, Joan Carrozza

Cyberbullying and Safety on the Net [July 13 - August 9](#) - Instructor, Joan Carrozza

Critical Thinking and Questioning Techniques [July 20 - August 17](#) - Instructor, Joan Carrozza

Exceptional Students and Higher Level Thinking [July 27 - August 24](#) - Instructor, Joan Carrozza

Technology Generation [July 27 - August 24](#) - Instructor, Joan Carrozza

Anxiety and Stress Management in a School Setting [July 27 - August 24](#) - Instructor, Chris DeMario

English as a New Language: Strategies and Tools for Success [August 1 - 28](#) - Instructor, Joan Carrozza

Understanding Mental Health & Mental Illness [August 1 - 29](#) - Instructor, Andy Unterweiser

LGBTQI Education [August 1 - 28](#) - Instructor, Chris DeMario

Incorporating Social & Emotional Skills in Your Classes [August 3 - 31](#) - Instructor, Andy Unterweiser

Conflict Resolution: How to Maintain Peace in Your Classroom [August 3 - 31](#) - Instructor, Mike DeMario