

Extend your certification ONLINE at NO cost!



HUDSON RIVER TEACHER CENTER

Online Students with Disabilities Extension Series: Grades 5&6

In June of 2018, NYS approved a new certification pathway for special educators interested in extending their existing certification to address the growing shortage of certified special education teachers in NYS. Special educators who have an existing *NYS Students with Disabilities Generalist or Content Specialist (Grades 7-12)* certification, who are interested in obtaining an extension for Grades 5 & 6, are invited to engage in this program.



The Hudson River Teacher Center is providing an opportunity for educators to participate in the Grades 5 & 6 Extension Series **at no cost**. The series will begin on **January 8, 2024** and run through **February 14, 2024**. The series includes three courses:

Knowledge of Students (15 hours)
Instructional Strategies (15 hours)
Professional Practice (15 hours)

These courses meet NYS Students with Disabilities CTLE Certification criteria for extending an existing NYS Students with Disabilities Generalist or Content Specialist Grades 7-12 Certification to include Grades 5 & 6. The three courses will be facilitated through Google Classroom. Each course will begin with a Google Meet. Participants will then complete coursework for each course asynchronously.

**Register
now!**

Please Note:

For those who wish to apply for the SWD Certification extension through NYS, please know eligible special educators must be current holders of a NYS Students with Disabilities Generalist or Content Specialist Grades 7-12 Certification and have a minimum of 3 years teaching experience at 7th and/or 8th grade levels. Upon successful completion of the series, the participant will receive a SWD CTLE Certificate for the series. The certificate will include the 45 hours of coursework for the three-course series. It is the responsibility of the participant to submit the certificate and all necessary documentation to NYSED for certification extension consideration.

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