

COURSES FOR PROFESSIONAL STATUS FOR NEW TEACHERS:

FOR NEW HIRES (2017) to be completed within 3 years - these will be offered in-district:

- **Differentiated Instruction** (May 15, July 12, Aug 11 and Aug 21, 1 full day worth of choices of dates must add up to 8 hours, plus dates in the fall) or **Igniting Inclusion** (TBD)
- **Social & Emotional Learning** (For all teachers - May 23, July 13, Aug 23, For secondary teachers - July 6 or Aug 17, for elementary teachers - a variety of days/times to equal 1 full day, 1 full day worth of choices of dates and time must add up to 8 hours for all teachers, plus 1 follow up afternoon in the fall)

Required Technology Workshops (any of these can be waived with an evaluator sign-off on proficiency)	
1 workshop on Student Devices	ipads, chromebooks, science equipment, etc.
1 GAPE workshop	GoogleDrive, GoogleSites, etc.
1 Workshop that involves using data to inform instruction with technology	Google Classroom, GoogleForms, etc.
1 workshop on Instructional Technology	Google Classroom, Differentiated Instruction with QR Codes, Using Technology in the Literacy Block, Blogging, Text Transformation Using Assistive Technology

COURSE/WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS:

DIFFERENTIATION - Igniting Inclusion, or a differentiation course focusing on the 6 components (content, activities, product, readiness, interest, and profile).

TECHNOLOGY - The technology is not a course, but rather a series of workshops. ~The workshops will range between 2-3 hours and they are: edline, instructional technology, student devices (such as ipads, apps, etc.), elementary esuites, ipads, and a workshop that involves using data to inform instruction with technology.

SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING - The purpose of this course is to focus on what schools and teachers can do to create inclusive and supportive environments for all children.

WHEN COURSES WILL BE OFFERED:

Differentiation:

Summer 2017 with some follow-up sessions in the fall (see dates above)

Social & Emotional Learning:

Summer 2017 (see dates above)

At least once every 8-14 months depending on interest/availability

Technology:

These workshops will be offered throughout the year and summer

*** If you have already taken "The Skillful Teacher" or "Differentiation", please submit the course syllabus and transcripts to the Assistant Superintendent ***

*** For some of the technology pieces, there will be more information forthcoming on how you can demonstrate proficiency and be exempted***

COURSE PRE-APPROVALS

Please be sure that you do a pre-approval sheet for ALL courses. ~Even if you are not looking for reimbursement, you need the pre-approval to be able to move across the pay scale. ~Below is the contract language:

***Prior approval must be given by the Superintendent or his/her designees through the prior approval form process**

***Attach a copy of the course description (and graduate information if taking for grad credit)**

***Graduate course work must be taken at an accredited institution**

***Workshops, conferences and institutes offered outside of Winchester will be approved for credit at 1 credit for each 15 hours as long as a) receive prior approval, b) contributes to the professional growth, c) 15 hours of work in the same subject area, and d) must be outside of regular school day.**