

COURSES FOR PROFESSIONAL STATUS FOR NEW TEACHERS:

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

- Social and Emotional Learning (this take place of the Skillful Teacher)
- Differentiated Instruction or Igniting Inclusion
- Technology

COURSE/WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS:

SOCIAL AND 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.

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: Aspen, instructional technology, student devices (such as ipads, apps, etc.), elementary esuites, ipads, and a workshop that involves using data to inform instruction with technology.

WHEN COURSES WILL BE OFFERED:

Social and Emotional Learning:

1. One spring afternoon (May 23rd 3:30-6:30) 3 hour workshop REQUIRED
2. For secondary teachers EITHER 7/6/17 OR 8/17/17 - REQUIRED
3. For elementary teachers - there will be a variety of days/times to equal 1 full day - -MUST BE TIED TO SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL TOPICS - REQUIRED BUT CHOICE OF DAYS/TIMES
4. For everyone 1 full day worth of CHOICES OF DATES AND TIMES BUT A TOTAL OF 8 HOURS IS REQUIRED
5. For all teachers - 7/13 AND 8/23 - REQUIRED ON THESE DATES
6. 1 follow-up afternoon in the fall

Differentiation:

1. May 15th 3:30-6:30

2. 7/12/17, 8/11/17, and 8/21/17 - REQUIRED ALL
3. 1 full day worth of CHOICES OF DATES AND TIMES BUT A TOTAL OF 8 HOURS IS REQUIRED
4. 2 follow-up afternoons in the fall

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.**