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Featured Infinitec Stops This Week

Infinitec Writing Professional Learning Community (PLC)

Free online interactive course

The Infinitec Writing PLC will be led by Teresa Moritz, OTR/L and Nicole Peters, MLS-AT, OTR/L. This group is for individuals working in education that work DIRECTLY with students that struggle with writing. For this group, we are using the term “writing” to refer to the whole range of the writing process. There will be 4 online meetings that will focus on SETT and Organization, Entering Text and Editing. You must be able to participate in those three scheduled meetings (9/27, 11/1, 11/29, 12/13 from 3:30-4:30 Central Time). You must also participate in online collaboration activities. These activities will have a more flexible schedule and will be through Google Drive. You must be able to access a Google Drive account and are welcome to use either a work account or personal account.

We hope to be able to share ideas, problem solve and connect you with staff with similar needs. Our goal is to help you find ways to support and increase independence in writing with your students.

*It is highly recommended that you sign up with a partner or small group. Having a partner/mentor can help with supporting your work and experience. If you do not have a partner, no worries! We'll pair you with another participant.

**This will be a first come, first serve opportunity and will include only a small group in order to facilitate the group well. Deadline for applying will be September 14th.

The application information is found at the end of the newsletter.



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Webinars: Live

Webinars from Infinitec are free to members. They are found on the bottom right side of the home page. Click on the webinar(s) of your choice to register. All you need is a phone and a computer with internet access. The phone call is free.

On the home page of Infinitec, on the left side of the page, you will find Webinar FAQs to answer all your questions regarding participation in a webinar. You will also find a very helpful Login Guide to Webinars on the home page. (Many webinars have been archived on the website.)

October 4, 2018

3:30 PM CDT - 4:30 PM CDT

[Chrome Apps & Extensions for ALL Learners](#)

October 9, 2018

3:30 PM CDT - 4:30 PM CDT

[Use Google Slides to Create Visual Supports by Lynda Hartman](#)

October 17, 2018

3:30 PM CDT - 4:30 PM CDT

[AT, IT, UDL, 1 to 1: What does it mean & how do we meet the needs of ALL?](#)

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Infinitec Writing Professional Learning Community (PLC)

Facilitated by: *Nicole Peters & Teresa Moritz – Occupational Therapists*

September 21, 2018 --- Early April ~ 2019

See schedule on page 2.

Online Interactive Course

<https://goo.gl/forms/I9rSIyozOLrZgAy52>

Who Should Attend? Anyone interested in assisting students who struggle with the writing process and interested in learning & collaborating together in a community

Requirements: Participants are required to attend all live webinars and complete questionnaires to enhance the learning community experience.

What Is It? This series will focus on three areas of the writing process: organization, entering text and editing. The sessions will provide participants with strategies and tools to support students that struggle in those areas

- Organization refers to the brainstorming and determination of what ideas might be used in the body of the written work. It is a plan and structure of the written work.
- Entering text refers to the physical aspect of putting the ideas down, whether that be low tech such as pencil/paper or high tech such as speech to text.
- Editing refers to the process of clarification and revision of the body of work once it has been written. It is during this process that clarity, grammar, punctuation and spelling are checked.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- List 3 tools to support writers at each phase of the writing process.
- Assess the impact of tools use on student performance.
- Discuss the impact of tool use on student performance with other PLC members.

How do I sign up? – PLEASE PRINT NEATLY

Registration Fee: **NO COST**

Please Fax completed registration form to:
708-444-4204 Atten: Debra -- or **Scan & Email To:**
deubanks@ucpnet.org & bliszeo@ucpnet.org

FEES: FREE

Debra Eubanks, UCP/Infinitec Training Dept
7550 West 183rd Street
Tinley Park, IL 60477
Phone: 708/444-8460,
Debra, Ext. 223 or Maureen Joy, Ext. 248

Go To: <https://goo.gl/forms/I9rSIyozOLrZgAy52>
when you are ready to begin the course

Name: _____

Title/Position: _____

Organization/School District: _____

Coalition Agency (if applicable): _____

Name of Work Site/Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Business Phone: _____

Business Fax: _____

Business Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Home Email: _____

Age-level(s) served: Early Childhood Elementary Secondary Adult Any info changed?: Yes No

Accommodations/alternate formats needed (2 weeks notice requested, please): _____

Registration for: **WRITING FOR PLC -- MN STATEWIDE - ONLINE -- SEPT 21st -- EARLY APRIL ~ 2019**

TIMELINE AND PLC ACTIVITIES:

- SEPT. 14TH, 2018 – DEADLINE FOR PARTICIPANT SIGN UP PERIOD
- SEPT. 21ST, 2018 – PRE SURVEY DUE (WILL BE EMAILED TO YOU AFTER SIGN UP)
- SEPT. 27TH, 2018: 1ST ONLINE TRAINING /MEETING 3:30-4:30
 - TOPIC: SETT & ORGANIZATION
- OCT. 19TH, 2018 – 1ST ONLINE FOLLOW UP QUESTION & COLLABORATION
- NOV. 1ST, 2018: 2ND ONLINE TRAINING /MEETING 3:30-4:30
 - TOPIC: ENTERING TEXT
- NOV. 15TH, 2018 – 2ND ONLINE FOLLOW UP QUESTION & COLLABORATION
- NOV. 29TH, 2018: 3RD ONLINE TRAINING /MEETING 3:30-4:30
 - TOPIC: EDITING
- DEC. 6TH, 2018 – 3RD ONLINE FOLLOW UP QUESTION & COLLABORATION
- DEC. 13TH, 2018: 4TH ONLINE MEETING 3:30-4:30
 - TOPIC: RE- VIEW AND PLANNING IMPLEMENTATION
- LATE FEB. 2019 – ONLINE COLLABORATION
- EARLY APRIL 2019 – IMPLEMENTATION SHARING AND Post PLC SURVEY