

NEW TEACHER SESSIONS

FALL 2018



Member Assistance Program



With packed schedules and pressure to prepare for tomorrow's lessons, it's no wonder many new teachers spend little time outside their own classrooms. However, when teachers have regular, structured opportunities to learn together, good ideas are more likely to travel from one classroom to the next.

Join us this fall as we provide sessions on a variety of topics ranging from engaging young learners to mindfulness and self-care. As new teachers (1-5 years) you will build relationships with colleagues from across the city, explore new learning opportunities and discuss strategies for student engagement.

WED., OCTOBER 3, 2018 • 4-6 p.m.

2 CTLE HOURS

ANCHORING INTO THE CLASSROOM COMMUNITY • Our knowledge of our students and their needs can serve as the anchor to create a learning-focused classroom environment. In this professional learning session, newer teachers will explore how core beliefs and practices influence classroom culture. Participants will examine the importance of building relationships with students and the role of the classroom environment in supporting learning.

WED., OCTOBER 10, 2018 • 4-6 p.m.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR WELFARE FUND BENEFITS • This session will offer a comprehensive presentation of your Welfare Fund benefits. It will highlight how you and your eligible dependents can get the most value from these supplementary benefits.

WED., OCTOBER 17, 2018 • 4-6 p.m.

2 CTLE HOURS

THE POWER OF FORMATIVE ASSESSMENTS • New teachers will learn to gauge how their instruction is impacting student learning. This session will focus on how to use formative assessments to check for students' understanding and to guide student learning and instructional practice.

WED., OCTOBER 24, 2018 • 4-6 p.m.

PENSION BENEFITS: PLAN NOW FOR YOUR FUTURE! • One of the great benefits of being a public school teacher and a member of the UFT is that you will achieve financial security in retirement. In this session you will learn about the two plans (pension and TDA) that you are eligible to participate in and what you can do now to maximize your income at retirement. Invest some time now — a little pension knowledge goes a long way later!

THURS., NOVEMBER 8, 2018 • 4-6 p.m.

2 CTLE HOURS

IEP 101 • New teachers will explore the Individualized Educational Program (IEP), a document that provides information to ensure that students with disabilities receive the necessary support and services they need to succeed. In this session, we will define the components of an IEP and learn how to use the IEP to prepare effective instruction.

WED., NOVEMBER 14, 2018 • 4-6 p.m.

2 CTLE HOURS

INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE • Participants will develop an understanding of how intimate partner violence (IPV) affects children short- and long-term, and develop best practices for working with children affected by witnessing IPV in their homes. Systemic responses and best practices for working with those experiencing IPV will be addressed and the concepts of trauma, trauma-informed care and vicarious trauma will also be discussed.

THURS., NOVEMBER 29, 2018 • 4-6 p.m.

2 CTLE HOURS

ENGAGING YOUNG LEARNERS: THE POWER OF PURPOSEFUL PLAY • How can we engage our youngest learners? The answer lies in the power of play. Learning through play creates opportunities for children to discuss their thinking and build enduring understanding. In this session, participants will have the opportunity to experience and create purposeful play activities to engage all learners.

THURS., DECEMBER 6, 2018 • 4-6 p.m.

2 CTLE HOURS

ARE YOU ASKING THE RIGHT QUESTIONS? • New teachers will gain valuable questioning strategies to promote students' thinking and learning. Discover what constitutes quality questioning and effective discussion in order to actively engage students in productive discourse. Understand how to create structures so that all students are able to answer and ask quality questions.

THURS., DECEMBER 13, 2018 • 4-6 p.m.

2 CTLE HOURS

MINDFULNESS IN THE CARING CLASSROOM COMMUNITY • New teachers will learn to experience a deeper sense of satisfaction in their daily work experience. In this session, participants will practice mindfulness and meditation. They will explore the benefits of this practice for personal use and identify strategies for teaching mindfulness to their students as a way to de-stress and improve classroom performance.



Location:

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52 Broadway, New York, NY 10004

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Members who do not want CTLE hours: \$10.00