



NWESD ELL Cooperative

Purpose: This work will be aligned with the deeper learning initiative at NWESD.

- Develop capacity for ELL Specialists to deliver trainings within their own district
- Provide support and training to district leaders to build an effective ELL program
- Provide teacher training to member districts while internal capacity is being developed

Benefits:

District Administrators (1 per district)

- Cooperative Council Meetings (3 meetings per year)
- PLC with colleagues to network regarding best practices about program, instruction and compliance (3 meetings per year)

ELL Specialists (2 per district)

- Learn how to design and deliver professional learning opportunities for classroom teachers, focusing on principles of adult learning. (4 days)
- PLC with colleagues to network about direct services to students and instructional coaching to teachers (3 meetings per year)

Teachers (4 per district)

- Focused professional learning on the following topics (3 days):
 - Language Development/Acquisition
 - Instructional Strategies for Student Engagement
 - Instructional Strategies (Language Scaffolds)

Structure:

ELL Cooperative Meetings: There will be three ELL Cooperative meetings throughout the year. The intended audience for these days is the District Administrator and ELL Specialists. This day will be divided into three sections:

1. Morning – District Administrators and ELL Specialists will attend professional learning about best practices in ELL programs
2. Noon – District Administrators will attend ELL Cooperative Council meeting. One person from each member district will be designated as its council representative.
3. Afternoon – District Administrators will attend professional learning about compliance and program design. ELL Specialists will attend professional learning about best practice in classrooms.

Train the Trainer Professional Learning: There are four total days of professional learning for ELL Specialists. Attendees of these sessions will receive training that they can deliver in their own district. This training series will launch in August, 2016.

Focused Training for Teachers: Each member district can send teachers to these professional learning opportunities. There are three scheduled throughout the year. ELL Specialists are also encouraged to attend to continue their learning as they observe the professional learning be delivered.

Cost: \$6,500 per district* includes above mentioned activities for one District Administrator, two District ELL Specialists, and four teachers. Districts needing more seats can add the following:

- Add an additional ELL Specialist, \$1,000 each
- Add an additional teacher, \$500 each

* *Cost to join the NWESD ELL Cooperative assumes that at least 10 districts participate.*