



NWESD Program Updates | October 2020

BEST Consortium

- Our new remote new teacher training opportunities will be starting on October 26th for first and second-year teachers. Our main audience is teachers in BEST Consortium districts, but if you are interested in sharing the opportunity with your new teachers, please contact Anita Garcia (agarcia@nwesd.org) for registration information.
- This year, there are additional funds for second-year teachers with significantly different assignments from their first year teaching and for ESAs.
- For more information regarding BEST please contact Sarah Southard at ssouthard@nwesd.org or Anita Garcia-Holzemer at agarcia@nwesd.org.

Career Connected Learning

- Interested in support and collaboration for CTE Pathways, articulations/dual credits and Career Launch? Please let me know how I can help!
- NW Rural CTE Network partners (collaborative effort between OESD 114 and NWESD 189) have met to discuss the Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment and receive some OSPI guidance. The next meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2020 @ 1:30 pm and will focus on a recent Career Connected Learning (CCL) needs survey. You are invited to complete the [CCL Needs Survey](#).
- CORE Plus - Aerospace discussion are underway in the region to support post-secondary opportunities.
- The Career Connect Washington Rural/High Needs Grant is successfully underway in collaboration with The NW Washington STEM and Snohomish Networks. Virtual CCL opportunities are being developed for both synchronous and asynchronous delivery.
- Looking for a quality resource to support non-traditional recruitment within your CTE programs? Check out [Ignite World](#) or contact Lauren Johnson at lauren@ignite-worldwide.org.
- For more information regarding Career Connected Learning please contact Bre Urness-Straight at burnessstraight@nwesd.org.

Computer Science

- The Washington Integration Network for Computer Science (WINforCS) leadership group for 2020-2021 is now open for registration! The focus for this statewide network is to create leaders who can help to promote equitable integration of computer science and computational thinking for students K-12 across all content areas. This group will meet via Zoom 3 times throughout the school year, with the first meeting on Thursday, November 5th. To offer more flexibility, we will offer the same content, discussions, and activities at two times on those three dates. Register for the time of day that works best for you:
 - 9 - 11 am sessions: <https://www.pdenroller.org/aesd/catalog/event/109269>
 - 3:30 - 5:30 pm session: <https://www.pdenroller.org/aesd/catalog/event/109270>
- For more information regarding our computer science program please contact Amy Colburn at acolburn@nwesd.org.

Early Learning

- OSPI is putting together a webinar about Transitional Kindergarten which will be followed by a series of opportunities and small grants for districts interested in exploring TK programming. More details to come. If your district is interested in exploring this option, Sarah can provide support for gathering data and conducting a needs assessment.
- For more information regarding early learning programming please contact Sarah Southard at ssouthard@nwesd.org or Anita Garcia-Holzemer at agarcia@nwesd.org.

English Language Arts

- Our first ELA Fellows meetings are occurring this month, and our literacy leaders are participating in both synchronous and asynchronous learning. One of our foundational resources is the OSPI document, [Considerations for K-12 English Language Arts and Literacy Education](#), which addresses important considerations in our current distance learning environment.
- The asynchronous, free ESD Remote Learning (ERL) course, **An Introduction to Close Reading**, begins October 26 and runs through November 16. Registration link is here: <https://www.pdenroller.org/nwesd/catalog/event/109043> There are many more ERL workshops available at <https://www.pdenroller.org/>.
- November is National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo). The [NaNoWriMo Young Writers Program](#) provides educators with many resources for their students to learn more about narrative writing including free [Novelist Workbooks and Pep Talk Videos](#). These resources are definitely worth sharing with teachers of writers!
- [The Implementation Guide for Early Screening of Dyslexia](#) is now available in 10 languages. This is a very helpful resource for districts as they plan for the 2021-22 implementation of the Early Screening of Dyslexia statute expectations.
- For more information regarding ELA programming please contact Kim Kellogg at kkellogg@nwesd.org or Anita Garcia-Holzemer at agarcia@nwesd.org.

Inclusionary Practices

- **The AESD Inclusionary Practices Project** includes mini grants, professional learning, and implementation support for Building Leadership Teams wanting to improve inclusionary practices - [find out more here!](#)
- For those needing flexibility for professional learning, check out our asynchronous Canvas courses including: [The Case for UDL: Equality, Equity and Inclusive Education](#), [Learner Variability and Barriers to Learning](#), [Introduction to Universal Design for Learning](#), [Leading Implementation of Inclusionary Practices](#), [Take ALL four courses asynchronously](#)
- For more information regarding inclusionary practices or to join us in professional learning for next year, please contact Cassie Stevens at cstevens@nwesd.org or Anita Garcia-Holzemer at agarcia@nwesd.org.

Instructional Technology

- New offerings are now live on [AESD Continuous Learning Supports](#). More courses will continue to be added in five categories:
 - **LMS Deep Dives** — Center instruction on high expectations for student achievement through the use of an LMS.
 - **Digital Tools** — Use technology applications to support student growth.
 - **Instructional Practices** — Support each learner by increasing high-leverage instructional practices.

- **Learning Environments** — Create a safe and positive learning environment with new strategies for support.
 - **Content-Specific Practices** — Provide a clear and intentional focus on content-specific practices and curriculum.
- Does your district have an educational or instructional technology leader? Are they looking for a group to collaborate with? If so, have them join the NWESD Ed Tech Collaboration Group that meets every other week to share ideas, learn from one another, and discuss hot topics in ed tech. Please reach out to Trinh Pham at tpham@nwesd.org to be added to the email distribution list.
 - For more information regarding education technology please contact Trinh Pham at tpham@nwesd.org or Jennifer Longchamps at jlongchamps@nwesd.org.

Math

- Registration Open! [2020 Long + Live + Math: The Virtual Summit PNW](#) (in partnership with ESD 112, 113, 105, 189, and 171) Friday Nov. 13 and Saturday Nov. 14. Graham Fletcher to be the keynote speaker.
- Our first math Fellows meeting has occurred. Our math Fellows are meeting virtually and in collaboration with ESD's 112, 113, and 171. Teacher leaders are experiencing new instructional routines, developing leadership skills using the Concerns Based Adoption Model, and continuing our work to dismantle racial inequity in mathematics education. One of the documents guiding our equity work is [The Mo\(ve\)ment to Prioritize Antiracist Mathematics: Planning for This and Every School Year](#). TODOS Mathematics for ALL.
- [NCSM Teacher-Leader Professional Learning Grant \(PreK-12\)](#) The purpose of this grant for teachers (and teacher leaders) is to support professional development focused on one of NCSM's (& NCTM's) initiatives of Equity & Access, Leadership Learning, and Communication Exchange. (up to \$4000)
- For more information regarding math services please contact Tina Mott at tmott@nwesd.org or Anita Garcia-Holzemer at agarcia@nwesd.org.

Migrant Education Program

- Your NWESD MEP team is here to offer you and your staff a full breadth of MEP technical assistance and capacity-building resources for your district's delivery of migrant-inclusive instruction and student-centered support. Please feel free to reach out to us at any time, no question too big or too small. We're here for you!
- Our team is continuing to work alongside our region's district partners and ESD job-alikes to design COVID-responsive and migrant-inclusive supports. Upcoming PD opportunities will be continuously listed to pdEnroller and promoted among partner districts. Too, please feel free to check out the following resources repositories:
 - [Resources for Migrant-Inclusive Distance Instruction](#)
 - [Emergency Resources for Families During COVID-19](#)
- For more information regarding the Migrant Education Program please contact: Clint Weckerly at cweckerly@nwesd.org; Enrique Lopez at elopez@nwesd.org; or Tanya Rojas at trojas@nwesd.org.

School Improvement

- **OSSI/NWESD Fall Outreach**
Participation is required for Tier II/ Tier III schools in Zoom session
3 clock hours provided for attending Zoom + additional optional 3 hours for Canvas Course
Two session available - register in one session

- ❖ **Tuesday, October 27th from 8:30 – 11:30 am:** Tuesday provides customized session for ALEs
[To register and more information](#)
- ❖ **Wednesday, October 28th from 12:00 – 3:00 pm:** [To register and more information](#)
- **Building Leaders Connection (BLC)** - 1st and 3rd Friday of every month | 9:00-10:30 AM
The BLC supports leaders connecting with and learning from other principals, school/department/district leaders. BLC will bring leaders together to collaborate over timely topics and share resources. BLC offers a consistent place to find support and information
Connect Here: <https://zoom.us/j/95692583179>
- **Networking for Educators who Support Multilingual Learners (ELLs)** This is an opportunity to connect with, learn from, and share resources with your colleagues who also support multilingual learners (also referred to as ELLs). **Target Audience:** ELL Specialists, Teachers, Paraeducators who support multilingual learners (ELLs). For dates, times and to register follow this link:
<https://www.pdenroller.org/nwesd/catalog/event/109402>
- **Supporting Multilingual Learners PLC** Teams of professionals will come together to learn how to build and sustain effective supports for multilingual learners, share resources, and explore problems of practice with their colleagues. **Target Audience:** ELL Administrators, Principals, Specialists and Teachers For dates, times and to register follow this link:
<https://www.pdenroller.org/nwesd/catalog/event/109393>
- Your NWESD School Improvement Team can help you respond to the challenge of increasing student learning and building educator capacity in an ever-changing landscape. We are developing offerings to For more information regarding our School Improvement program please contact Gayle Everly at geverly@nwesd.org or Jennifer Longchamps at jlongchamps@nwesd.org.

Science

- ISB Systems Science @ NWESD:
 - A partnership with ISB and NWESD through [ClimeTime](#). 22 STEM clock hours are available as well as a stipend for learning to implement ISB's climate science based units that are doable in remote learning settings!
 - Please encourage High School colleagues to consider forming teams so they're not alone! We have only 19 spots available and the staff at ISB are excited to support them! Registration closes Monday, October 26, 2020.
 - A short version of the flyer is here and a longer, more detailed one is linked from the short flyer: [ISB Systems Science Flyer - Small](#)
- Climate Justice League @NWESD:
 - A partnership between Washington Green Schools, NWESD, and PSESD. Do you know a High School teacher with a passion for social justice and how climate changes are affecting marginalized and underrepresented people the fastest? We are forming a *small* group of teams (no more than 20 people total) to explore these topics and to share their learning. There is a stipend and a book to accompany the learning and the participation.
 - Teams *do not need to be science alone!* A science teacher teamed with a civics teacher would be awesome! So would a civics teacher and a history teacher! Or a Science teacher with a civics teacher and an art teacher! You get the idea!
 - Interested teachers can apply here: <https://forms.gle/nS2aU6fPRUiaG6WE8>

- For more information regarding our science programming please contact Brian MacNevin at bmacnevin@nwesd.org.

TPEP

- All of the instructional framework and leadership framework trainings are now being done online. Do you have staff who need to attend these trainings? [View the TPEP Statewide Training Schedule](#) (schedule linked in the side bar menu by framework) to find a training.
- For more information regarding our TPEP support and services please contact Fredrika Smith at fsmith@nwesd.org or Jennifer Longchamps at jlongchamps@nwesd.org.

Other

- Paraeducator Fundamental Course of Study – online training now available. Paraeducators can [enroll for individual FCS units](#). Or, school districts can purchase access to all 12 FCS units for the 2020-21 school year. Contact Jennifer Longchamps at jlongchamps@nwesd.org for more information.

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