

THE JUSTICE PROJECT 2014-15

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES



Embracing All Children: Addressing Cultural and Linguistic Diversity in Our Schools

During the series participants will:

- ✦ Understand the characteristics of effective instructional design to support cultural relevant teaching.
- ✦ Learn about the dynamic cultural and linguistic factors that influence students.
- ✦ Explore ways to implement instructional strategies to enhance learning opportunities to embrace all children.
- ✦ Investigate and apply research-based principles of effective culturally responsive pedagogy.

Professional Development (PD) Hours:

15 hours of PD will be awarded for attendance at all sessions in the series.

About the Series:

The JUSTICE 2014-15 Project Professional Development Series will focus on addressing cultural and linguistic diversity by promoting evidence-based practices for effective teaching and assessment. Each session of the series will explore the linguistic and cultural factors that influence students in our schools and address how to effectively meet their needs in the classroom.

Topics to be covered include culturally responsive pedagogy, differentiated instructional strategies, assessment and promoting parent involvement.

2014-15 Series Schedule:

✦ **October 1, 2014, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Multilingual Education in the Buffalo Schools:

An Overview of Programs, Policies and Practices for ELLs

Dr. Tamara Alsace, Director of Multilingual Education, Buffalo Public Schools

✦ **November 19, 2014, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Effective Instructional Strategies for Educating ESL Students in Urban Classroom Settings

Tiffany Fanning, Literacy & ESL Specialist at Tapestry, TESOL Adjunct Professor at Canisius

✦ **January 14, 2015, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Using Formative Assessments to Show Academic Achievement for ELLs

Anne Henry, Mentor/Coordinator of Model Induction Program, Buffalo Public Schools

✦ **February 4, 2015, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Panel Discussion of Community Organizations Serving the Buffalo Area

✦ **March 11, 2015, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Guest Speaker Jane Elliott, Nationally Recognized Expert on Race and Diversity

✦ **April 1, 2015, 4:00 pm-6:30 pm**

Showcase of Teacher Inquiry Projects Focused on Cultural and Linguistic Diversity

Location: All sessions: *Canisius College Student Center, Grupp Fireside Lounge*

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