

Professional Learning Communities for Curriculum, Assessment and Instruction for 21st Century Learners

SESSION DETAILS

Course Format

This blended learning course includes two face-to-face meetings and 5-6 weeks of an online learning experience. The introductory session provides learners a chance to meet the other members of the PLC and become familiar with the online course. The follow-up meeting provides an opportunity to create SMART goals for personal learning.

Dates, Time and Locations

*Introductory Meeting: June 17, 2013
4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Room 112, Ott Staff Development Center, 65 Steiner Ave Akron, 44301*

*Follow-Up Meeting: July 25, 2013
4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Room 106, Ott Staff Development Center, 65 Steiner Ave Akron, 44301*

Registration Deadline

June 12, 2013

Cost

\$450 per educator, including all books and fees

Graduate Credit/CEUs

3 graduate credit hours at \$150 per credit or a certificate for 3.8 continuing education units are available for participants upon workshop completion

Provided by the Ohio STEM Learning Network (OSLN)-Akron Hub, this blended learning course is designed to provide participants with an opportunity to develop an understanding of PLCs as a foundation for curriculum, assessment and instruction for the 21st century learner.

Created for learning coaches (teachers) at the National Inventors Hall of Fame® STEM Middle and High Schools, this course helped those individuals establish common knowledge and beliefs about teaching and learning. Based on the Ohio Standards for the Teaching Profession (the foundation for the new Ohio Teacher Evaluation System), this course facilitates an individualized learning path for each participant and builds an online learning community resulting in engaging, practical professional development that can be done in the comfort of your own home, at your convenience.

Additionally, no experience with online learning is necessary. Ideas presented in the class are used in a real classroom with real students every day. Lastly, although this class was the foundation for the STEM schools it can be applied to any teaching situation in any school.

For more information about this workshop, or the Hub, contact:

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Learners will, through self-directed learning and a facilitated online PLC:

1. Understand the role of Professional Learning Communities as a vehicle to ensure all students and teachers learn.
2. Examine the Common Core Curriculum as it applies to their unique teaching assignment.
3. Reflect on how relationships influence student achievement and have an opportunity to study their beliefs about teaching and learning.
4. Compare how assessment is used for planning instruction, adjusting instruction and determining when instruction has resulted in student learning.
5. Experience and investigate new instructional tools that can be used in their roles as learning designers.
6. Write SMART goals and develop a Personal Learning Network (PLN) to support their continued learning.