

April 2018 Noncredit ESL Program Update

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Spring-Growth



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Professional Development is an important part of our profession. To grow as an effective educator, it is crucial for us not only to follow tried and true best practices, but also to apply new findings in educational research and utilize new innovations. As a lifelong learner, I always cherish learning opportunities and feel motivated and invigorated after learning new ideas. One of my goals is to provide engaging and relevant opportunities to you! Here are some coming up. I hope you take advantage!

Face to Face Workshops (PAID):

- **Google Team Drives & Teaching Online Safety (EL Civics)**

Friday, April 6, 4-6pm Wake Room 5

Come join us to learn a new way to access EL Civics Teaching and Assessment materials. Find out how you can tackle the module A content, an SLO and EL Civics tasks all in one lesson.

- **Using Data for Instruction**
Friday, May 4, 4-6 pm Wake 17

Online Webinars:

- CALPRO

What Adult Educators Need to Know About Equity

April 18, 2018, 1 pm to 2 pm [Register](#)

- **National Geographic Learning**

New Standards, New Ideas, New Opportunities

April 20, 2018 9am [Register!](#)

New Literacies for Today's Classroom

April 25, 2018 [Register 6 am](#) [Register 5 pm](#)

- **Pearson**

Critical Thinking in English Language Teaching

Apr 24, 2018 11:00 AM-12:00 PM [Register](#)

EL Civics tasks need to be assessed, recorded and submitted in a standardized way. Please make sure to use the official assessment forms. It is the **instructors' responsibility** to ensure that the aides are using the correct forms and methods. Please encourage your aide to attend the workshop on the 4th with you to get the correct information. If your aide cannot make it, please make sure that you pass along the information.

Spring 2 Registration deadline has been extended to **Saturday April 14th**. Please give your students [our Spring 2 program flyers](#) and post one in your room to help spread the word. Also, **please continue sending your attendance numbers if you haven't had 17 yet.**

Your Summer Schedule has been emailed to you. If you responded to the summer schedule survey, we did our best to accommodate your requests. As always, student success is our primary concern. With this schedule, we are trying to provide students with stability and consistency to their learning. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Our Curriculum Wiki will be closing.

[Wikispaces](#) announced that they are ending their services in July. Don't worry! We have a new site! I have moved the files to this [new Noncredit ESL Instructor Site](#). Please bookmark this page.

Ventures 3rd Edition is coming out. [Take a peek](#). If you haven't taken advantage of [the online teachers' resource room](#) yet, you should! There are many great printable collaborative and multilevel activities. You need to create an account to access these resources. Click [here](#) for the directions.



We welcome you to share your student success stories or professional news/events/resources.

Please send your draft to Sachi.