ELL/SIFE Students in Our Classrooms: 
Best Practices for their Success

SPACE IS LIMITED AND EACH PARTICIPANT MUST COMMIT TO ATTEND ALL 3 SESSIONS.

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Audience: 4th - 12th grade teachers, and administrators of ELL/SIFE

We are offering a series of three professional development workshops focused on English Language Learners who are additionally identified as Students with Interrupted Formal Education (SIFE). The sessions will be held on three days set aside by the NYC Department of Education for professional development. The sessions are interrelated, hands-on and will build upon each other.

**Tuesday, November 7, 2017 - 8:30am – 11:30am**

Session 1 will focus on building an understanding of what is a SIFE, review of the identification and placement process for SIFE, will introduce strategies to meet the academic as well as social/emotional needs of SIFE and will work with participants to develop an action plan for working with this ELL subgroup throughout this school year. In addition, we will share a variety of resources to deepen the participants’ knowledge of what supports are available for SIFE. Participants will be required to keep a journal of their experiences working with their SIFE population.

**Monday, January 29, 2018 - 8:30am – 12pm**

Session 2 will bring back all of the participants and will concentrate primarily on instructional strategies, in English and in the home language, that have proven effective in building literacy, reading comprehension, writing, content knowledge, and developing academic vocabulary with SIFE. An overview of the Bridges to Academic Success Program for SIFEs will be conducted by a representative of the program. The presenter will outline how schools can bring this initiative into their buildings. Specific instructional strategies will be shared and modeled.

**Thursday, June 7, 2018 - 8:30am – 12pm**

Session 3 will culminate in a review and celebration of the year’s work and lessons learned. Participants will be asked to present their instructional strategy or activity that yielded the best outcomes from their students. Plans for additional exploration of SIFE in our Classrooms will be developed.

**Registration is Officially Closed**

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