



2021-22 Professional Learning Experience

DETAILS:

Application Deadline:

Friday, August 20 (Midnight)

Virtual Workshops:

Monthly from September 2021 - May 2022

Each session is 90 minutes, see back for dates & times

Up to 48 Hours of SCECHs available

QUESTIONS

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» APPLY ONLINE

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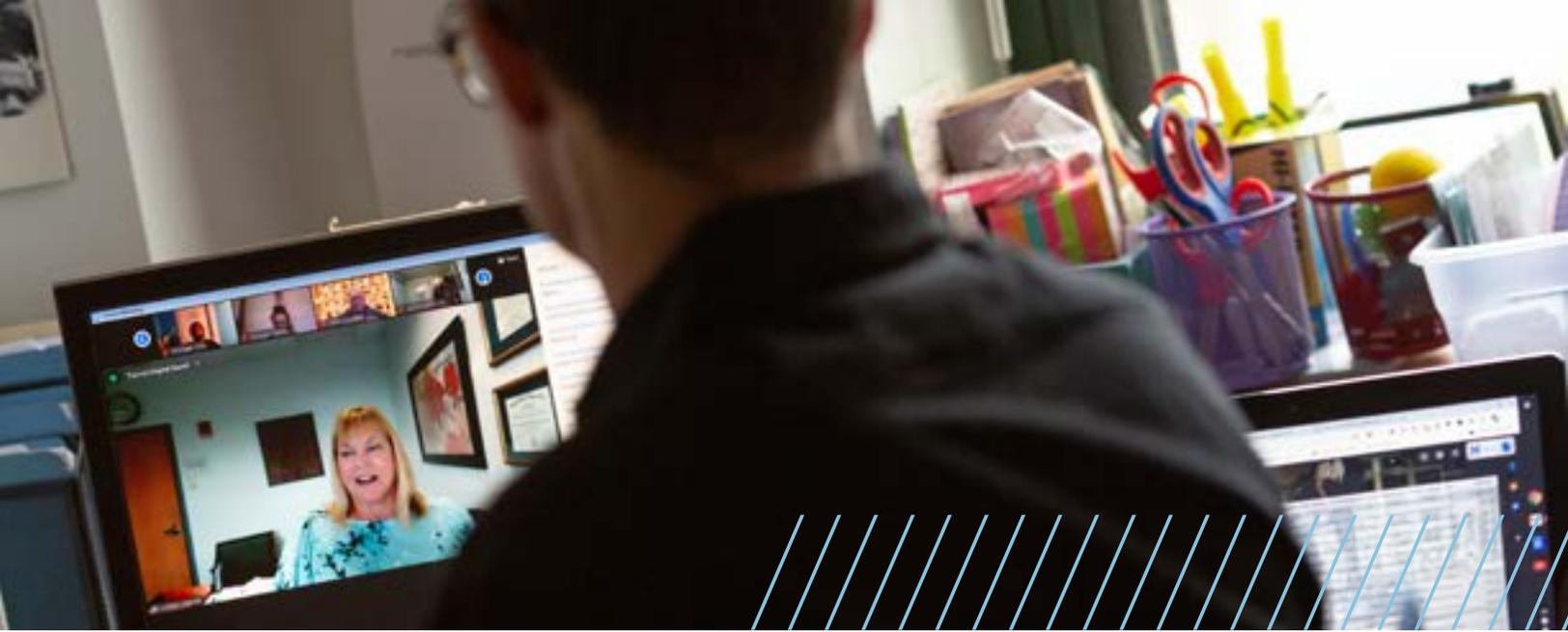
CULTIVATING MICHIGAN'S LITERACY LEADERS

Apply to be part of a cohort of emerging elementary educators who will be the next generation of Literacy Leaders.

Cultivating Michigan's Literacy Leaders professional learning experience will invite twenty (20) educators to participate in an experience that has been designed with principles of best practice for professional learning in that it is timely, inquiry-based, and connected to relevant curricular reforms. We welcome Michigan-based literacy-related K-5 classroom teachers — and especially encourage educators from historically underrepresented groups — to apply for this program.

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BENEFITS AND OBJECTIVES

Led by Dr. Meghan Block (CMU), Dr. Troy Hicks (CMU), and Annie Spear, M.Ed., MA, educators selected to participate in this project will have the opportunity to engage in 48 hours of professional learning and the development of an instructional unit, and lead a webinar.

Each month, September through May educators will meet for 90-minute virtual workshops with project facilitators to engage in professional learning around best practices in early literacy instruction and virtual instruction.

Participants will also engage in smaller professional learning communities based on grade-level and interests, and engage in additional opportunities such as webinars offered through other literacy organizations. Finally, participants will be offered complimentary registration for the 2022 Michigan Reading Association conference.

Teachers are invited to examine additional resources through:

- A year-long membership to the International Literacy Association, the Michigan Reading Association, and the Educator Collaborative, with access to live and on-demand webinars;
- A copy of *Connecting with Students Online, Strategies for Remote Teaching & Learning*, by Jennifer Serravallo;
- Registration to the Michigan Reading Association's annual conference, March 11-13, 2022;
- Additional instructional coaching from project leaders.

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HOW TO APPLY

Participants will be asked to share contact information and background on their teaching experience, and will be asked to write a brief essay (400-500 words) responding to the following:

Please tell us why you are interested in participating in the grant project with aspiring literacy leaders from around Michigan.

What is a "problem of practice" you are facing in your teaching?

What do you hope to learn with and from other educators involved in this project?

How do you hope to improve your own teaching practice?

What will you bring back to your school or district as an emerging literacy leader?

Applications will be accepted beginning August 2 until midnight (11:59 PM EDT) Friday, August 20, 2021

» APPLY NOW!

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MEETING SCHEDULE

While sessions will be recorded — real time attendance at least 6 of the 9 events will be required to earn all project benefits and to be eligible for SCECHs. Monthly workshops will occur on **Thursdays, from 4:00 to 5:30 PM** via Zoom (or similar video conferencing software) on:

September 16
October 14
November 18
December 16
January 20

February 17
March 17
April 21
May 19