



Capital District RBERN at Questar III BULLETIN

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RBERN Events

Parent Workshop (in Spanish)

Date: October 26, 2012

Time: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Location: Holiday Inn, Wolf Road, Albany

Conducted in Spanish, this workshop will provide parents with information and activities on the Common Core Learning Standards. Parents will learn what is expected of their children at the various grade levels and how to support them at home. Transportation is available from selected sites within the Capital District.

For specific registration details, please click on the attachment inserted in this bulletin.

For more information, contact Ruth Nova de los Santos at ruth.nova@questar.org or 479-6859.

National Board Certification: An Awareness Session

Date: November 7, 2012

Time: 4:15 – 6:15 p.m.

Location: NYSUT Headquarters

800 Troy-Schenectady Road

Latham, NY 12110-2455

http://www.nysut.org/calendar_3337.htm

An awareness session discussing the National Board Certification process and information/discussion on the *Take One!* process.

Teachers who achieve National Board Certification have met high standards through study, /expert evaluation, /self-assessment and peer review. Research shows that candidates for National Board Certification demonstrate significant improvement in their teaching practice—whether or not their candidacy results in certification. The process of analyzing and reflecting on daily practice during candidacy helps teachers focus on their strengths and gives them ideas for improving their teaching. Teachers who have experienced candidacy for National Board Certification say it is the richest professional development they have ever had.

Presented by:

Susan Cromer, NBCT, Paige Elementary School, Schenectady City SD

Melanie Pores, Assistant in Educational Services, New York State United Teachers

Click here to enroll through My Learning Plan: [Registration Link](#)

The New York State Association for Bilingual Education Region II/NYC and The New York State Language Regional Bilingual Education Resource Network at NYU Presents:

THE FALL REGIONAL INSTITUTE

Equity and Biliteracy: A Paradigm for Academic Success

Date: Saturday, October 13, 2012

Time: 9:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

Location: New York University

At a time when education is at a pivotal point nationwide, and the New York State Seal of Biliteracy is a reality, we are proud to present our Fall Regional Institute focusing on equitable and successful bilingual education pedagogy.

Dr. Pedro Noguera: Executive Director, Metropolitan Center for Urban Education; Co-Director of the Institute for the Study of Globalization and Education in Metropolitan Settings (IGEMS) at NYU; and Professor, Department of Teaching and Learning at NYU

Dr. Nancy Cloud: Professor of Education, Rhode Island College; Coordinator of the M.Ed. in TESL and Bilingual Endorsement Programs

Angélica Infante: Chief Executive Officer, New York City Department of Education Office of English Language Learners,

Panel of school principals: Panel will focus on equity and biliteracy in successful bilingual schools.

Registration: Registration is required. Please [click here](#) download the flyer below and follow the instructions for registration:

For additional information, email NYSLRBERN@gmail.com.

Other Events:

Living with Two Languages: The Advantages of Being Bilingual

Experts in linguistics, psychology, multiculturalism, nutrition and education will explore French and American perspectives on the advantages of living with two languages during a live stream conference

Date: November 3, 2012

Time: 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Location: Lycée Français de New York
505 East 75th Street, New York, NY

Registration is required to attend this event.

Registration is free.

REGISTRATION

To register online [click here](#)

Register by email: education@frenchculture.org

Register by phone: 212 439 1436

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: October 29, 2012

LIVE STREAM

Each panel will stream live starting at 9:30 a.m. (EST) on Saturday, November 3, 2012.

For additional information please visit: www.living-with-two-languages.info.

Announcements:

French Teaching Assistant in the U.S

The Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) Program offers American schools the chance to welcome young French educators to serve as teaching assistants in their institutions. FLTAs lead conversation groups, attend language laboratories, research and create class materials, coordinate extra-curricular activities on campus and appear as guest speakers in cultural courses. FLTAs help students connect to the language and culture of France and the Francophone world in a relevant and exciting way while contributing to the creation of a diverse and multicultural atmosphere on campus.

French Teaching Assistants work in K-12 schools and universities!

K-12: If your school is interested in hosting a French FLTA, please [send an email](#) to the Cultural Services Department of the French Embassy.

University level: If your college or university is interested in hosting a French FLTA, please fill out an application to become a host institution at the Institute of International Education's website. All interested institutions must apply through the [IIE's Fulbright FLTA site](#), even if you are not applying specifically for a Fulbright-designated FLTA.

For more information, please email assistant.washington-amba@diplomatie.gouv.fr or visit www.frenchculture.org.

New York State Education Department call for feedback on Grades 6-12 English Language Arts Texts

The New York State Education Department's Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Education Technology posted a survey for feedback on full-length texts currently being used in Grades 6-12 English Language Arts classrooms in New York State. The purpose of this survey is to help inform the development of the NYSED Grades 6-12 Common Core ELA Curriculum Modules.

The survey will be available until November 9, 2012 at <http://www.research.net/s/GLLXNTQ>.

To learn more about the NYSED P-12 Curriculum Modules, please see: <http://engageny.org/resource/curriculum-exemplars/>.

Call for Student Volunteers

Are you a student?

Would you like to attend the Annual Conference at a discounted rate?

Would you like the experience of being part of a state-wide professional conference?

If so, please consider serving the NYS TESOL community as a volunteer at our Annual Conference in Albany, November 2-3.

Please see this link for conference information: <http://nystesol.org/annualconf/2012/>

If you would like to attend the conference as a student volunteer, please follow the steps below:

- 1) Join NYS TESOL as a Student Member (Full-time and Part-time students eligible with proof of status).
- 2) Register for the conference as a Student Volunteer (FT or PT, as appropriate).
- 3) Forward your email registration confirmation to ac_hospitality@nystesol.org to sign up for your volunteer service (minimum 2 hours).
- 4) Save lots of money
- 5) Tell your friends, classmates and colleagues!!

Other:

Contact the RBERN with questions relating to English Language Learners.

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