

COLLINS WRITING PROGRAM ADVANCED INSTITUTE

Four Essential Writing Assignments (grades 4-12)

For teachers in all subject areas, curriculum coordinators, principals, supervisors, curriculum committee members, school-based management team members, and special educators.

This institute is valuable to all teachers whether they use the Collins Writing Program or not. In this fun, activity-filled session, you will learn how to plan, teach, and assess four key assignments that significantly impact student achievement. This workshop is particularly appropriate for schools that are preparing for standardized assessment because the essential assignments align so well with the performance tasks recommended in many states.

Based on the flagship book by Dr. John Collins, *The Collins Writing Program: Improving Student Performance Through Writing and Thinking Across the Curriculum*, this practical, hands-on workshop builds upon the extensive research from Marzano, Graham and Perin, and others.

PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN HOW TO . . .

- Teach the four essential writing assignments
- Combine the four essential assignments to produce lengthy substantive writing
- Apply a decision-making model that answers the question, "How often should my students write and what specific assignments should I be giving?"
- Use a three-step editing model to help students become better editors of their own and their peer's work
- Employ reading-writing strategies to improve comprehension and retention of subject matter
- Increase academic vocabulary and improve word choice
- Utilize a critical thinking chart that helps students produce organized and content rich opinion and argument essays
- Help students improve scores on open-response and writing assessment tests

Contact us for more information.



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