

The Essential Skill of Writing Training

Multnomah Education Service District
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Sessions One and Two: Required Training for Beginning Scorers, Trainers, and new Essential Skills teachers. Time is set aside for collaboration and networking.

Times: 8:30 - 11:30 am and 12:30 – 3:30 pm; one hour for lunch.

This training is designed for teachers who are not familiar with the Official Oregon Writing Scoring Guide for Essential Skills. Participants will become familiar with the requirements for Essential Skills in Writing, and will learn the basic skills of scoring a writing work sample for graduation purposes. There will be instruction on the scoring guide and practice scoring several sample papers.

Participants will stay and join more experienced scorers in the afternoon for further practice and refinement of scoring skills. At the end of the afternoon session, participants should feel comfortable with the scoring process. Participants who are trainers in their school, or district will be given pointers to use with staff. Ongoing support by email is offered to everyone at the training. All materials are posted online for trainers to use.

Session Two: Calibration Refresher for Experienced Scorers, Trainers, and Essential Skills teachers.

Time: 12:30 - 3:30 pm

Teachers familiar with the Oregon Official Writing Scoring Guide will benefit from this session. It is tailored specifically to the Essential Skills requirement for graduation purposes, and participants will be calibrated to score for the Oregon Standards still in effect for students wishing to graduate.

High school teachers who are experienced scorers or who teach language arts are welcome to come for calibration of their skills. The session also provides for a short networking and collaboration time between participants who work with students on the Essential Skills. All levels will benefit from this session.

No cost to educators in Multnomah County

**\$25 out of district fee

PDU certificate provided: 6 hours

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**Thursday
November 29,
2018**

Register

**Friday
February 15,
2019**

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