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DOE to Host Series of Workshops in Northern Region, Starting Sept. 21

The Department of Education's Northern Region will host four workshops focusing on how to improve student performance for teachers and administrators this fall, beginning Sept. 21 in Wayne.

The first workshop, "Making It Count: Using Data to Develop Programs and Allocate Resources," takes place Wednesday, Sept. 21 at the Passaic County Public Safety Academy, 300 Oldham Road in Wayne. The registration fee is \$75.

Seats are still available for the workshop, which will help participants analyze data and use it in the classroom to increase results. Trudy Doyle, Hopatcong School District Assistant Superintendent, is the keynote speaker for the 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. event.

Doyle was appointed by the Commissioner William L. Librera to the Department of Education Advisory Committee on Professional Development for New Jersey School Leaders in June 2004. She is the co-chairperson of the committee, a frequent workshop presenter and has published several articles on professional development requirement and "Closing the Achievement Gap."

The conferences are co-sponsored by Passaic County Community College. For information on how to register, please contact Meredith Coticchio in the Northern Region Office at (973) 655-2115.

For media questions or to cover this event, please call the DOE Public Information Office at (609) 292-1126. Information on all four workshops is available below.

Upcoming Workshops

Making It Count: Using Data to Develop Programs & Allocate Resources

Keynote Speaker: Trudy Doyle, Assistant Superintendent, Hopatcong School District

Date: September 21, 2005

Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost: \$75 (includes breakfast & lunch)

Location: Passaic County Public Safety Academy

[Register](#)

Cultivating Success: School Improvement from Within

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Roland Barth

Date: October 25, 2005

Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost: \$150 (includes breakfast, lunch and a copy of Dr. Barth's book, "Learning by Heart.")

Location: Passaic County Public Safety Academy

[Register](#)

Dr. Roland Barth, founder and former co-director of Harvard's Principal's Institute, will present "Building a Professional Learning Community: The Relationship Among the Adults in the Schoolhouse."

After the speech, attendees will discuss both how to best communicate within the district and how to use best share and use each other's strengths.

Meet the Parents: How to Increase Parental Involvement

Keynote: Dr. Jean Konzal

Date: November 15, 2005

Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost: \$80 (includes breakfast, lunch and a copy of Dr. Konzal's book, "How Communities Build Stronger Schools: Stories, Strategies and Promising Practices for Engaging Every Child.")

Location: Passaic County Public Safety Academy, Wayne, NJ

Dr. Jean Konzal, Professor of Education TCNJ and author of the book, "How Communities Build Stronger Schools: Stories, Strategies, and Promising Practices for Educating Every Child," will share proven strategies for engaging parents in the school community.

Rubric's Cube: Solving the Assessment Puzzle

Keynote: Dr. Willa Spicer

Date: December 14 & 15, 2005

Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost: \$150 (includes breakfast & lunch on both days)

Location: Passaic County Public Safety Academy

In this two-day workshop, Dr. Willa Spicer, Director of the New Jersey Performance Assessment Alliance, will guide participants through the process of developing rubrics, creating meaningful assessments and analyzing student work.

Participants are encouraged to bring samples of student work.