

# Reaching NEW Horizons Arts Integration in the Classroom

Spring 2021 Professional Development Program for Pre-K-12 Teachers

Young \*\*\*\* Auditorium



College of Education

Young Auditorium, the School District of Janesville, and the UW-Whitewater College of Education and Professional Studies are members of the Partners in Education program of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. Selected because of their demonstrated commitment to the improvement of education in and through the arts, the Partnership Team participates in collaborative efforts to provide professional development opportunities in the arts for educators.



Arts Integration embraces teaching methods that are effective in engaging students and challenging them to think creatively and understand the interconnectedness of diverse subject areas. Integration demands creativity, problem-solving, perseverance, collaboration and synthesis of ideas and concepts. Furthermore, Arts Integration is consistent with the principles of differentiated instruction and contributes to the development of 21st century skills. Join us this school year for a professional development workshop designed to provide you with the tools you need to implement arts integration strategies in your own classroom to excite and engage your studentsno arts experience required!

### About the Workshop

All *Reaching New Horizons* workshops are informed by best practices in arts integration as recommended by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The workshops are presented by educators who have received specialized training in arts integration and teaching artists who not only have professional expertise in a specific art form but also a thorough understanding of how to work with teachers and students.

## **ONLINE WORKSHOP**

### Teaching the Music of Language: Exploring Rhythm, Reading, and Writing

A Four-part Online Course for Teachers of All Grade Levels

Tuesdays, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. | Cost: \$50 for Series February 23 | March 30 | April 20 | May 11

Do students really hear the musical foundations of language? Can they feel the accents, inflections, and rhythms in words when they speak? Can they write with an attentiveness to cadence and phrasing?

In this Teaching the Music of Language online training you'll discover how to guide students through a whole new approach to reading and writing. And you'll learn how to teach these TML lessons both in-person and online.

This arts integration workshop includes four active, participatory 2-hour online sessions. You'll start by learning how to lead simple movement warm-ups that help students hear and feel the musical patterns of language. Then learn how to read poetry and rhythmic literature with accurate timing and phrasing. And you'll explore how poets use musical devices such as rhythm, rhyme, alliteration, and form to shape and craft their phrases. Finally, discover how to use any topic, including science, literature, and history, as a springboard for student poetry writing.

This course dovetails beautifully with Dr. Rosalind Flynn's Curriculum-Based Reader's Theatre workshop series that was offered in the fall semester. Recommended for teachers of ALL students.

**Marcia Daft** is the Founder of *Moving Through Math* and *Teaching the Music of Language* arts integration programs for STEAM education. She produces award-winning children's books, instructional materials, and videos that bring arts-integrated learning to life in the classroom. Her unique teaching methods have been energizing classrooms, performing arts centers, and school districts across the United States for over 25 years.

*Reaching New Horizons* workshops are open to all teachers, pre-service teachers, and home school teachers. Workshop registration fees are waived for Janesville and Whitewater teachers, and UW-Whitewater pre-service teachers or faculty. All other teachers pay \$50 for this workshop. We request registration at least two days in advance of a workshop so that we are able to prepare materials.

### To register:

- Janesville teachers, please use My Learning Plan to register for workshops.
- Whitewater teachers and UW-Whitewater pre-service teachers, please contact Keriann Kirkeng at Young Auditorium to register for workshops 262-472-1432 or kirkengk@uww.edu
- Teachers from all other school districts, please contact Keriann Kirkeng at Young Auditorium to register. There is a registration fee of \$50 per workshop – **262-472-1432** or **kirkengk@uww.edu**

