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An MSAA Professional Development Workshop for: All PreK-12 Educators

Essential Knowledge for ELL Instruction



**Featuring Ribas Associates Presenter:
Dr. Cindy Crimmin**

Monday, November 26, 2018
at the MSAA Office, Franklin

Sign-In: 8:00am-8:30am
Workshop: 8:30am-3:00pm

PD Hours: 6
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Acquiring English language proficiency (ELP) is the daunting task set before our English Language Learners. While all learners must work to acquire new understanding and skills, second language speakers must also process the language in which the work is being done. Using video, simulation and active learning practices, participants in this session will explore unexpected ways in which children struggle, compensatory strategies they often employ in an effort to fit in, and initial ways in which teachers and administrators can begin to support these learners in their struggle.

After this program, the participants will be able to:

- Identify strategies non-English speakers use to support their understanding
- Recognize components of the English language that can prove particularly problematic for non-native speakers and develop strategies through which teachers can mitigate the negative impact of their own language choices on their ELL and FLEP students.
- Rework assessment tools currently used in their practice
- Develop questioning strategies and additional assessment tools
- Identify non-verbal cues, visuals, and tasks that can help ELL students better demonstrate what they know and are able to do.
- Develop ways to differentiate instruction for ELL students on the basis of formal and informal assessments.

Cindy Crimmin, Ph.D., *has served in both public and private schools. Beginning as a bilingual ELL and Science teacher in the Boston Public Schools at the middle school level, she has taught Spanish at all levels from early elementary to high school Advanced Placement and was a teacher of English language learners. She completed a Ph. D. in Educational Administration at Boston College. She worked in curriculum leadership at the central office and served as an elementary principal in Watertown and Weston. Finding joy of learning for her students and for herself continues to drive all that Cindy does.*

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