Ellevation is hiring Dream Team Teachers for summer contract work

2016 Dream Team

Help Ellevation continue developing quality content available in Ellevation Instructional Strategies!

We are looking to contract with all-star teachers from several of our partner districts to join our 2016 Dream Team. Your district has been selected as a 2016 Dream Team Partner district! If you are an effective educator with experience teaching language through content, please apply!

Our Dream Team Teachers will be authoring language supports aligned to Common Core and State Standards, available to Ellevation's Instructional Strategies users in the fall. The *remote and mostly independent work* will begin in June and continue through July. By September, you will receive a \$2,000 stipend contingent on work completed.



Requirements

- Current and continuing educator with an Ellevation partner district
- User of Ellevation, or planning to use Ellevation this coming year

Desired Skills and Experience

- Driven, dedicated, and effective teachers of English learners with experience supporting ELLs in ELA, Math, or Science
- Self-starters who will work independently, meeting all deadlines
- Excellent writing skills and attention to detail
- Educators steeped in Common Core, Next Generation Science, and/or State Standards

Dream Team Teacher Outcomes

- Author standards-aligned academic language content for Instructional Strategies
- Receive a \$2,000 stipend after completion of project
- Receive a special featured thank you on our webiste

Application Process

- 1. Become familiar with the Instructional Strategies Framework (below)
- 2. Preview the sample activities to understand structure and content (below)
- 3. Complete and Submit Application
 - a. Select an Activity to author fully
 - b. Identify and author specific content example to accompany it
 - c. Identify and author specific Academic Language Supports: Terminology, Procedural Frames, and Interactive Frames for the Content Example

Ellevation's Instructional Strategies Framework:

Six Shifts: Build Background, Clarify Input, Fortify Output, Foster Interactions, Develop Academic Language, Assess Language and Learning

17 Strategies: Each of the Shifts has 2-3 Strategies (see below)

75 Activities: Ways to implement the strategies with students; spread across the Shifts and Strategies



Preview Ellevation's Sample Activities

- <u>Snippet</u>: Build Background>Student Collaboration
- <u>Pro Con Improv</u>: Foster Interactions>Opinions and Debates

Select one of these two Activities to Author in Application

- Powerful Podcasts: Clarify Input>Focused Listening Description: Engaging students in focused and supported listening during a carefully selected podcast is a powerful way to build listening proficiency, engage in invigorating discussions, and build content understanding. During this activity pre-selected podcasts will be assigned to students with clear language and content objectives. Students will engage in listening and follow-up activities to demonstrate understanding and meaningful use language.
- Writing Windows: Fortify Output>Student Writing Description: This activity asks groups of students to respond to pictures or photos related to an academic concept. Students brainstorm lists of words specific to the content being studied, and these can be referenced while writing. The lists inspire and motivate students when they begin to write their descriptions. The images reflect different perspectives which deepen student understanding of the topic. Students respond well to this activity because the visual representation helps make the concept more comprehensible and there is an element of secrecy that they love.