

4th and 5th Grade ELA GVC Refinement Cadre

The Curriculum Department is seeking 4th and 5th grade classroom teachers to participate in an ELA cadre. This cadre will refine the Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum (GVC) in order to articulate and support teachers in standards-based planning for whole group reading instruction and writer's workshop. This cadre will engage in study to deepen their understanding of the 2017 ELA Reading and Writing standards. Cadre members will provide feedback on the best ways to support teachers with utilizing the refined GVC to standards-base plan.

Work on this cadre will take place from November 2018 through January 2019.

Face-to-face work sessions across the three months **might** include: Wednesday afternoons, evening sessions, and virtual zoom meetings that will take place outside the duty day and be recorded for later viewing if needed. *Cadre members will also be asked to work in their cadre, grade level groups, outside of the duty day.* Times and dates to be determined by grade level groups. This will ensure that the work in completed within the time frames above. Participating teachers will be paid at the district extra-duty rate of \$20.72/hr., for attending any meetings beyond the duty day and completing work outside of face-to-face meetings.

Please submit your interest by completing this [application form](#) by Monday, October 29, 2018. There will be a limited number of teachers selected for this work. Applicants will be notified of selection no later than Friday, November 2, 2018.

Criteria for Teachers

- Currently teaching 4th or 5th grade whole group reading instruction and writing workshop
- Solid understanding of grade level Reading and Writing Standards
- Able to work in cadre, grade level groups, outside of the face-to-face meetings
- Analytical individual who can filter through and synthesize information efficiently
- Can complete work within a specified timeframe
- Comfortable with learning and using technology
- Availability to attend the majority of the work sessions

Dates Set for Cadre to meet after School

- Tuesday, November 6, 2018
- Tuesday, January 15, 2019

We will meet on at least one Wednesday afternoon between our two face to face meetings. In addition, we will learn and utilize Basecamp technology to streamline our work.

