Champlain Valley Educator Development Center

Collaborative Professional Learning to Support Vermont Schools

Leah Mermelstein:
Going Beyond the Units of Study
Instructional Strategies to Match Student Needs
With Beth Moore



2-day Writing Institute with a focus on Informational - Essay Writing Thursday, June 22 and Friday, June 23, 2017

Target Audience: Teachers of Grades K-6, Writing Teacher Teams, Coaches

Leah will begin the institute sharing the 'must-haves' of Writing Workshop as well as the components of a balanced writing curriculum, how to make responsible choices in topic, minilessons and process, as well as creating self-directed learners.

In this two-day institute, participants will learn about overarching learning and teaching concepts for writing workshop, building units of study that are tailored to your students' needs, and incorporating the Lucy Calkins' materials as well as specific instructional strategies into your writing curriculum.

There will be break-out sessions where Leah will focus more deeply in a K-2 group and Beth with grades 3-6. Each will go beyond the units of study and give teachers and teams opportunities for unit development that incorporates specific instructional strategies to reach all learners, developing resources for conferring and small group work inside a unit. The institute will close focusing on closure strategies. The soon-to-be published book: The Writing Strategies Book will be included with registration fee.

<u>About our presenters:</u> **Leah Mermelstein** is an internationally recognized literacy consultant who specializes in K-5 Reading and Writing Workshop. She is the President and CEO of Read-Write-Connect, INC. She is also the author of *Reading/Writing Connections in the K-2 Classroom*, (Allyn & Bacon), *Don't Forget to Share* (Heinemann), *Self-Directed Writers* (Heinemann) and the co-author of *Launching the Writing Workshop* (with Lucy Calkins) (Heinemann).

Beth Moore coauthored two of the books within the series *Units of Study for Teaching Reading*, and the *Units of Study for Teaching Opinion, Information, and Narrative Writing* with Lucy Calkins and Colleagues. She worked for over a decade as a national literacy consultant for the Teachers College Reading and Writing Project (TCRWP) and works in many Vermont schools.



Dates:

June 22 & 23, 2017

Hours:

8:30 registration 9:00-3:30 light breakfast and lunch included)

Location:

Hampton Inn Conference Center, Colchester, VT

Cost: \$400 CVEDC members \$500 non-members

*includes two days with breakfasts and lunches and the 2017 book: The Writing Strategies Book: Your Everything Guide to Developing Skilled Writers by Jennifer Serravallo

** Option for 3 graduate credit course adding June 26-28 at a site TBD taught by Beth Moore will be offered.



Beth Moore

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