Champlain Valley Educator Development Center

Collaborative Professional Learning to Support Vermont Schools

Teaching Essay and Argument in Writing Workshop (Grades 4-8) with Beth Moore

This one-day workshop for teachers of grades 4-8 will focus on essay and argumentative writing that inspires kids to write passionately about topics that matter to them. You'll practice creating a classroom environment that inspires kids to explore big ideas, and create a culture of thoughtful consideration of multiple perspectives and debate.

Participants will:

- have a chance to develop tried and true mini-lessons for helping kids overcome writer's block
- · learn how to help students develop a strong thesis
- be able to support students elaborating on an idea in a way that not only conveys the message clearly – but also pulls the reader in to get them to care about the topic, too

The day will be packed with practical classroom-ready strategies for a range of essay types.



Prerequisites: The workshop will assume that participants have some experience teaching writing workshop that is centered on daily time for independent writing.

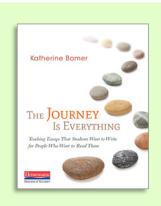
About our facilitator:

Beth has been a classroom teacher, a literacy coach, an instructor at Columbia University, and has over a decade of experience as a lead staff developer for Lucy Calkins at the Teachers College Reading and Writing Project (TCRWP). Beth is a coauthor of state-of-the-art literacy curriculum that has been adopted by many schools across the US, and internationally: Units of Study for Teaching Reading and Units of Study for Opinion, Information and Narrative Writing (Calkins, et. al, 2013, 2015, Heinemann). She is passionate about fostering a love of reading and writing in learners of all ages. Learn alongside her online at elizabeth-moore.com, twowritingteachers.org, or @BethMooreSchool.

To Register: <u>www.cvedcvt.org</u> Questions? <u>info@cvedcvt.org</u> Or call: 802-497-1642



Are you a CVEDC Member? All schools in Addison, Chittenden, Grand Isle and Franklin Counties are members.



Date: January 12, 2017

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

<u>Location:</u> Hampton Inn Colchester, VT

Cost: CVEDC Members \$180 Non-members \$230 *includes meals and text

<u>Text:</u> The Journey is Everything: Teaching Essays That Students Want to Write for People Who Want to Read Them, by Katherine Bomer