
MEMORANDUM No. 2014-037

TO: School District Superintendents
Title III Directors
Principals

FROM: Robin Holbrook, English Learner Consultant
Standards and Accountability Division

DATE: March 17, 2014

SUBJECT: Standards in Action: Focus on Facilitation –
a WIDA (World-Class Instruction Design and Assessment) Workshop

WIDA TRAINING SCHEDULED FOR LANDER IN JUNE

Training will highlight WIDA's ELD standards

The Wyoming Department of Education will host a three-day workshop for World Class Instruction Design and Assessment (WIDA) at the Holiday Inn Express and Suites of Lander, June 17-19. The training will take place from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. each day. [To register for the workshop, click here.](#)

This is a professional development opportunity for K-12 educators who work with students of limited English proficiency and are familiar with WIDA's English Language Development (ELD) Standards, have implemented them with students, and are ready to gain facilitation skills. This retreat will be facilitated by a WIDA trainer.

This is an interactive workshop that is based on a student-centered, teacher-focused approach to engage participants in a variety of facilitation techniques. This workshop has been designed for educators who have a strong foundation in second language acquisition and some understanding of the ELD Standards Framework. While acquiring facilitation techniques, participants will deepen their understanding of the WIDA Framework.

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Standards in Action: Focus on Facilitation

Lander, WY

Holiday Inn

June 17-19, 2014

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Target Audience: K-12 Educators who interact with English Language Learners and are familiar with WIDA's English Language Development Standards, have implemented them with students and are ready to gain facilitation skills.

Workshop Description: Have you ever seen a presentation from a WIDA presenter and thought- I'd like to do that! Then this workshop is for you!

This three day, interactive workshop is based on a student-centered, teacher-focused approach to engage participants in a variety of facilitation techniques that they can replicate for educators of English Language Learners (ELLs) to better understand academic language development. This workshop has been designed for educators who have a strong foundation in second language acquisition and some understanding of the ELD Standards Framework. While acquiring facilitation techniques, participants will deepen their understanding of the Framework.

At the end of the workshop, participants will be able to provide facilitation about:

- academic language within the WIDA English Language Development Standards
- the three components (features of academic language, performance definitions, standards matrix) of the WIDA ELD Standards Framework
- the features of the amplified matrix
- the elements of the model performance indicators (MPI)
- the connection of the MPIs to language goals for creation language objectives connected to content

Registration: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/53BV9HG>