

# Two New CTE Teacher Professional Development Opportunities

(MAC I E) are teaming up to provide two new teacher professional development series focusing on literacy and learning.

## ***New Literacy Strategies for Beginners Series***

Want to learn some classroom strategies to motivate and engage your students to read, write, and learn technical vocabulary? New and experienced teachers will benefit from these practical hands-on workshops that will demonstrate effective strategies that can be used the next day in class!

**Logistics:** Seven 2-hour videoconference sessions delivered using the Tandberg System. Sessions will originate in Lewiston and participants can attend in person at Lewiston Regional Technical Center or through video conferencing at their center or at another nearby site. The series will run from 3-5 pm on the following dates: Wed., Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>; Tues.; Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>; Tues., Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>; Wed., Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>; Tues., Feb 9<sup>th</sup>; Mon., Mar. 8<sup>th</sup> and Wed., Mar. 31<sup>st</sup> (snow date: Tues., May 4<sup>th</sup>). Participants will get a copy of *Thinkquiry Toolkit I* and be able to download all other materials from a SharePoint site. All sessions will be archived. CEU credits will be available for those who participate in all seven sessions.

### ***Literacy Strategies for Beginners Series Instructor***

**Roz Weizer, M.Ed.**, has taught in New York, New Hampshire and Illinois and has conducted teacher workshops and coached teams of middle and high school teachers in New York, Maine, New Hampshire, Alabama, North Carolina, and Massachusetts. Her enthusiastic and supportive style, sense of humor, and practical approach make her popular with the teachers with whom she works. In all of her work, Roz maintains a consistent and unwavering focus on how she can best help teachers support students' literacy and learning.



## ***New CTE Literacy Mentor Series***

Workshop topics include

- Deepening/extending use of vocabulary development and writing to learn strategies
- Sharpening creative and critical thinking in the CTE classroom/lab
- Deepening/extending use of reading comprehension strategies
- Resources to support 21<sup>st</sup> century teaching and learning

Note: These workshops are open to any Maine CTE teachers who have participated in an earlier CTE literacy mentor workshop series.

**Logistics:** Four 2-hour videoconference sessions via the Tandberg System originating in Houlton. Workshops will be held from 3-5 pm on the following days: Wed., December 2<sup>nd</sup>; Thurs., January 28<sup>th</sup>; Tues., March 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wed., April 28<sup>th</sup> (snow date: Wed., May 5<sup>th</sup>). Participants can attend in person, in Houlton, or by video-conference from their CTE center or a nearby site. Participants will get a copy of *Thinkquiry Toolkit I* and will be able to download all other materials from a SharePoint site. All sessions will be archived. CEU credits will be available for those who participate in all four sessions.

### ***Literacy Mentor Series Instructor***

**Susan Ziemba, M.Ed., CAGS**, has 25 years of educational experience as a teacher and curriculum designer at the middle and high school, community college, and university levels. She also spent 15 years as a workforce educator for GE Aircraft Engines, GE Industrial and Power Systems, New England Electric System, U.S. Customs Service, the Gem Group and other defense and highly technological manufacturing companies. Susan's work in both public education and workforce training has received recognition at the state and national levels.



## **Sign Up Information**

If you are interested in participating in one of the series, please email the attached registration form to [angela.birmingham@maine.gov](mailto:angela.birmingham@maine.gov) or FAX it to (207) 624-6731, **before November 5, 2009.**