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Calling All NYC Teachers!

8th Annual Curriculum, Community, Collaboration & Celebration Conference

Transforming Classrooms for a Changing World

❖ **Key Note Remarks by
Carmen Fariña,**

former NYC DoE Dep. Chancellor
on "Keeping the Essentials
in Education During
Challenging Times"

A major education conference for preK-grade 12
teachers, administrators, and concerned citizens

For all those passionate about improving student learning

A day of workshops and networking opportunities,
focusing on educating a global community in
New York City's public schools

❖ **Co-hosted by
Teachers Network
& DOE Deputy
Chancellor
Dr. Marcia V. Lyles**

Saturday, March 14, 2009

8:00am - 4:00pm

The Math & Science Exploratory School
Downtown Brooklyn
345 Dean Street
(between 3rd and 4th Avenue)



- ✓ Morning and Afternoon Workshops include:
 - Setting up an Effective Classroom for Student Centered Learning
 - Becoming a Teacher Leader: How to Implement the Change You Want to See
 - The Teachnet Institute & Online Learning Communities and many more!

Free Teacher Resource Materials!

- ✓ Including our newest publication *Professional Teachers Handbook* compliments of The Wachovia Foundation

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- ✓ Raffle Prizes!

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8:00am - 9:00am Registration: Continental Breakfast

9:00am - 10:15am Opening Session with Key Note Remarks by Carmen Fariña

Morning Workshops - 10:30am - 12:00pm

1. **Setting up an Effective Inquiry Based Science Classroom and Curriculum (Secondary):** Teachers will participate in an introductory genetics lesson and learn useful strategies for creating an effective science classroom environment. Led by staff from the Math and Science Exploratory School.
2. **Fostering Student Centered Debate in Social Studies (Secondary):** How to create learning environments where students are empowered to make decisions, facilitate discussion and consider the moral and ethical implications of the world around them.
3. **Becoming a Teacher Leader: How to Implement the Change You Want to See:** MetLife Fellows in the Teachers Network Leadership Institute will lead a session on strategies and tools of effective teacher leadership.
4. **The Teachnet Institute and Online Learning Communities:** Learn about the power of digital communities and discover ways to foster online communication among both students and teachers. Led by Teachers Network staff.
5. **Excellence for ELLs: Best Practices in Dual Language and ESL:** In this interactive workshop case studies will be employed to demonstrate best practices for ELLs and also English speakers learning a second language. The wide spectrum of profiles of ELLs will be explored. We will address the question: How can we deliver high quality teaching across the curriculum that supports the second language development of students? (This workshop is also available in the afternoon.) Led by staff from P.S. 24 in Brooklyn.
6. **Creating Schoolwide Excellence One Classroom at a Time:** This workshop will give practical suggestions for developing teacher leadership and supporting school wide improvement. Teacher leaders, communication expertise, alternative supervisory models will all be discussed. Led by Teachers Network Board Member Carmen Fariña.
7. **Collaborative Team Teaching:** This workshop explores several effective practices to enhance the CTT class such as differentiated instruction, group work and team planning. Led by Principal Arthur Mattia and staff from PS 372K. (This workshop is also available in the afternoon.)

Lunch with an Author - 12:15pm - 1:15pm

Pick up your complimentary box lunch and join one of our guest authors for reading, conversation, and book signing. Guest authors: **Mel and Gilda Berger** (grades K–12), **Judy Goldschmidt** (grades 5–8), **Ellen Levine** (grades K–9), **Pooja Makhijani** (grades PreK–12), **Elizabeth Mann** (grades 3–8), **Nicholasa Mohr** (grades PreK–12), **Sharon Robinson** (grades K–8), and **Coe Booth** (grades 7-12).

Afternoon Workshops - 1:30pm - 3:00pm

8. **Advocacy and the Changing Political Landscape:** TNLI MetLife Fellows will lead a session on policy advocacy from Bloomberg to Obama, from the school house to the White House. Participants will come away with tools to express their teacher voice on every level of policy making.
9. **Making the Most of Web 2.0 in the Classroom:** Learn how current Internet tools like blogging, photosharing, podcasting and mapping are changing today's classroom. Led by Teachers Network staff.
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11. **Setting up an Effective Classroom for Student Centered Learning in English Language Arts (Secondary):** What keeps middle school learners active and engaged during class time? This workshop will present creative, practical and effective strategies and techniques for encouraging students' independent voices and involvement in the ELA classroom. Led by staff from the Math and Science Exploratory School.
12. **Setting up an Effective Classroom for Student Centered Learning in Math (Secondary):** Teachers will explore how to use learning centers in the middle school math classroom to deepen understanding of algebraic relationships. Led by staff from the Math and Science Exploratory School.
13. **Two Approaches to Differentiation in the Content Areas:** Two approaches to differentiated learning will be modeled and assessed: one that focuses on a data driven tiered approach and a second that uses inquiry based instruction to support all learners. Led by Lisa Gioe-Cordi from the Math and Science Exploratory School and Robert Rhodes from Millennium High School.
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Publishers' Reception & Raffle - 3:00pm - 4:00pm

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