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Maine Department of Education

Summer Literacy Institute 2015

Developing a proficiency-based system of education requires a deep understanding of Maine's standards and assessment system. During this two-day institute, educators will explore the Smarter Balanced Claims and Targets as a foundation for intentionally planning and delivering high quality instruction that supports achievement of proficiency. As a result of attending the institute, educators will:

- Develop understanding of the claims and assessment targets in the Maine Educational Assessment and how these connect to the ELA/literacy standards;
- Increase understanding of the level of complexity and rigor inherent in the standards and assessment system;
- Examine instructional strategies that directly support students in achieving proficiency;
- Learn how to , "bundle" or group multiple standards to develop units of study through which students can build –proficiency; and
- Begin to construct a unit of study for the upcoming school year.

Facilitated by DOE Specialists Morgan Dunton and Lee Anne Larsen, participants will differentiate the experience for K-5 and 6-12 teams of educators with opportunities for K-12 vertical collaboration as well.

Institutes will run 8:00-4:00 daily and will be held in the following locations:

- August 4 & 5: University of Maine, Presque Isle
 - August 10 & 11: Jeff's Catering, Brewer
 - August 13 & 14: the Green Ladle, Lewiston
 - August 17 & 18: Portland Area

Registration information will be released in March 2015.