

# **UCEA/NJEA Professional Development Workshop**

For UCEA Members (retired members not eligible)

## **OCEAN PLACE RESORT AND SPA**

**One Ocean Boulevard Long Branch, New Jersey 07740**

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**\$85.00**

**January 29-January 31, 2016**

*Includes: Friday dinner: Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner: Sunday breakfast; snack islands available throughout workshops; guestroom (2 nights); workshop materials for 4 workshops.*

- 1. Special Education Today: the individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) was reauthorized in late 2004. Learn about how this version of the law differs from 1997 reauthorization. Explore what the federal regulations say about meeting the needs of students with disabilities – the process and procedures. Such topics as highly qualified special educators & Paraprofessionals, IEP development, discipline and others are discussed.**
- 2. Succeeding with Difficult Students: dealing with difficult students represents ongoing challenges for the school staff. This workshop provides participants with specifics in dealing with students who are continually disruptive. These students who defy authority and cause stress, frustration, and anger. Participants can apply what they learn at this workshop in their jobs.**
- 3. Problem Based Learning K-5: PBL is both a curriculum and process approach to education that can be applied at an early age. In the elementary grades 5-K, problem based learning can foster communication, listening, team and leadership skills. In the younger grades, students begin with a more guided path of inquiry and spiral their developing problem solving skills to gradually become more independent, self-directed, problem-solvers as the grade levels progress. Problem based learning also provides an opportunity to incorporate the common core in areas such as science and social studies. We will explore resources for teachers and discuss methods of implementation throughout the grade levels. Participants will work cooperatively to take back tools and ideas they can use in their curriculum.**
- 4. Problem Based Learning 6-12: Problem-Based Learning PBL is both a curriculum and process approach to education. Through this approach, secondary students assume increasing responsibility for learning through carefully selected and designed problems which promote acquiring critical knowledge, problem-solving proficiency, self-directed learning strategies, and team participation skills. Participants explore the fundamentals of PBL, how to implement it in the secondary classroom, and appropriate ways to assess students. Participants will also explore web tools for problem-based learning, as well as correlations with evaluation models.**

5. **Kaleidoscope: Adults have preferred paths called learning styles that drive their approach to acquiring and mastering knowledge. Participants will learn how to identify their individual learning styles and the implications those learning styles hold for themselves and their interactions with others in and outside the workplace. Both theory and practical techniques and ideas are included. A portion of the workshop will explore opportunities for continued learning on this topic.**
  
6. **Co-Teaching for Effective Inclusive Classroom: This workshop offers regular and special educators the opportunity to learn and model various differentiated instructional methods to ensure the success of all learning levels in the inclusive classroom. Inclusive education offers educators opportunities to stretch and broaden their delivery styles through collaboration. The program features joint lesson planning exercises and problem-solving models.**
  
7. **Teacher Evaluation and Professional Learning: as New Jersey moves to a more defined set of expectations for evaluation of teaching and learning, it is imperative that educators have an understanding of the standards-based models of evaluation that are being promoted by the state. This learning experience will focus on developing an understanding of the changing face of evaluation and the alignment with professional learning.**

Your share of the cost for this workshop is \$85.00 per person, two in a room. NJEA and UCEA will pay the remainder (approx. \$360.00). Single supplement is an additional \$85.00. Reservations will be accepted on a first come-first served basis. **SPACE IS LIMITED – SIGN – UP EARLY TO INSURE YOUR ATTENDANCE!**

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PLEASE CHOOSE 4 WORKSHOPS \_\_\_\_\_

**The forms must be returned by  
January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016 No Exceptions**