

Building Effective Paraeducator-Teacher Teams: A Three Part Webinar Series

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To meet the needs of the whole student and reach the highest level of student achievement, it is critical that teachers, paraeducators, and administrators work collaboratively, communicate effectively and respect one another. To maximize their effectiveness, paraeducators and teachers must understand their roles and responsibilities and then receive relevant, ongoing training and feedback to do their jobs. The NEA Center for Great Public School's ESP Quality Department in collaboration with its Teacher Quality Department is excited to offer a three-part webinar series on building effective paraeducator- teacher teams. The webinar series is open to paraeducators, teachers, administrators and other members of the school community.

The Foundation for Effective Teams

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The first webinar in the series will look at the critical elements needed to build the foundation for effective teams. It will address roles and responsibilities of paraeducators, teachers, and administrators; components of effective teams (including characteristics of effective team leaders and members); as well as common problems with team dynamics and strategies to avoid them in the first place.

Problem Solving and Other Strategies for Successful Teams

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The second webinar in our series will take a deeper look into common problems with team dynamics by examining problem solving techniques, effective communication strategies, and critical issues such as delegation, performance feedback, collaboration and mutual support/respect.

Advocacy and Real-World Scenarios

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The final webinar in the series will focus on advocacy as it relates to hiring practices, professional development, planning time, recruiting administrator support for the instructional team and more. This webinar will also take a deep dive into real-world scenarios that impact paraeducator-teacher teams.

Presenters:

Janet Demers, Florida

- Teacher (retired, Massachusetts)
- Substitute Teacher
- Tutor and Board Member, Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas

Jean Fay, Massachusetts

- Special Education Paraeducator
- President, Amherst Pelham Education Association
- District Director, Massachusetts Teachers Association
- 2011 MTA ESP of the Year

Marilyn Likins, Utah

- Research Associate Professor, Department of Special Education at Utah State University
- Executive Director, National Resource Center for Paraeducators in Education and Related Services

Facilitator:

Jennie Young, District of Columbia

- Senior Program/Policy Specialist, NEA Education Support Professional Quality

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