

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS COLLABORATIVE

Get to Know Us

The members of the ELA Collaborative are leaders in their field who come together to support effective implementation of college and career-ready ELA/literacy standards. Our Collaborative explores innovations in our work and shares strategies to remove barriers that keep students from success. We are committed to helping you meet your professional goals and elevating your voice in these important national conversations. Our members are leading the movement to ensure ELA/literacy standards are effective, equity-focused, and keep our students on the path to graduation.

Benefits of Our Collaborative

At our invitation-only virtual and in-person events, members connect with each other, with experts in the field, and with content that they can bring back to their states to share with teachers and inform their practices. Our discussions, and the topics we explore, are driven by you and your peers so that you more effectively support student achievement. Last year, our Collaborative explored a range of issues:

- In a session facilitated by Dr. June Cara Christian of Inclusion Solutions we focused on how representation matters in curriculum choices and texts.
- Members engaged in working groups throughout the year focused on text complexity, text sets, and equity considerations to develop a position statement and toolkit to assist educators in equity considerations for curriculum and text selections.
- Our members joined colleagues in the Social Studies, Science, and ASES Collaboratives for joint learning sessions.

Our Focus in 2020-2021

In the July 1, 2020- June 30, 2021 program year, the ELA Collaborative will provide support to state leaders addressing the impact of COVID-19, including implementation of the CARES Act and addressing unfinished learning in literacy after extended school closures. As a member of this Collaborative, you will also help ensure teachers have access to high-quality, standards-aligned curriculum frameworks, instructional resources, and professional development. This work is more important than ever due to the impact of COVID-19 and the abrupt transition to distance learning, and the needs states will have to support literacy learning recovery in schools. Expect to join discussions with experts and researchers in the field and, to walk away with the tools you need to support teachers in guiding their students towards ELA standards mastery.

Here's Where You'll Find Us

For the 2020-2021 program year, meetings will be held in-person when possible, and virtually when necessary due to safety. Any in-person meetings will also include the option to participate virtually. The English Language Arts (ELA) Collaborative meeting dates and locations are not set yet but they will take place the:

- Week of September 28, 2021
- Week of January 25, 2021
- Week of May 24, 2021



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