An MSAA Professional Development workshop for: Middle School Teachers, Special Educators, Guidance Counselors, Department Heads, Team Leaders, Curriculum Coordinators, Principals, and Assistant Principals

Increasing Student Engagement in the Middle School Classroom

Featuring Presenter:
Dr. Nancy Spitulnik

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at the MSAA Office, Franklin, MA

Sign-In/Registration: 8:00am–8:30am
Workshop: 8:30am–3:00pm

PD Hours: 6
Content Area: Curriculum and Instruction

Fees: Member $215/Non-Member $285
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Middle School teachers receive training on the content of their instruction. What is often missing in this training is a focus on effective instructional strategies that engage students in their work so they become self-motivated learners with a passion for learning. This is especially important at the Middle School level where students need to be engaged in constructing their own understanding of knowledge by thinking deeply and making connections to prior information and real-world applications. This interactive workshop will provide participants with a better understanding of successful engagement strategies for teaching middle school students in all content areas. The workshop will provide specific examples of engaging strategies that can be immediately implemented in the classroom.

This workshop will focus on the following questions:

- What is true student engagement and what does it look like and feel like in the classroom?
- What are the categories of engagement strategies?
- How do I incorporate different categories of engagement strategies into my classroom?

**Dr. Nancy Spitulnik** has worked in education in Massachusetts for 40+ years as a Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, Curriculum Director, Principal, Special Education Administrator, and Teacher. She teaches leadership and curriculum courses in the doctoral program at the University of Phoenix, and has worked with the DESE doing audits of university teacher preparation programs. Dr. Spitulnik has extensive experience working collaboratively with teachers to improve instructional practices and student engagement.

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