



## Working Smarter, Not Harder: A Closer Look at Formative Assessment

The Maine DOE is pleased to announce a series of workshops to support effective development of formative assessment practices in English Language Arts/Literacy. Three successive workshops, facilitated by Maine DOE specialists and teacher leaders from across the state, will build from current practices to extend and deepen knowledge about formative assessment. Learn more about how to:

- use formative assessment strategies to benefit teaching and learning,
- deepen understanding of ELA/literacy standards,
- enhance student ownership of learning to support learning transfer, and
- connect learning across content areas through meaningful literacy instruction.



**Session 1** will introduce foundational understanding of formative assessment practices and focus on creating meaningful learning goals and success criteria.

**Session 2** will explore the iterative process of gathering evidence and responding to student work to promote independence and deep learning. Model lessons and lesson review protocols developed by the teacher leader cohort will be used during this session.

**Session 3** will include peer review of lessons created or revised by participants.

Participants will register to attend three sessions in one region of the state. The cost of attendance for the three sessions is **\$75** total. Payment or purchase orders must be received a week prior to the start of Session 1 to confirm registration. Participants will be encouraged to apply learning between sessions and to come prepared to share at the next session. Participants are also encouraged to register with at least one colleague so that they can engage in collegial learning throughout the year. **Registration Link:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ELAFORM2016>

Location	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3
Presque Isle University of Maine	10/19	1/24 2/1 (alt)*	3/2 3/6 (alt)*
Orono /Brewer	10/20 <b>Black Bear Inn &amp; Conference Center, Orono</b>	1/31 2/6 (alt)* <b>Jeff's Catering, Brewer</b>	3/10 3/16 (alt)* <b>Jeff's Catering, Brewer</b>
Waterville Governor's Restaurant	10/12	1/26 2/2 (alt)*	3/8 3/28 (alt)*
Portland Keeley's Banquet Center	10/14	1/27 2/10 (alt)*	3/3 3/29 (alt)*
ALT indicates the alternative date in the event of a storm on the original date.			