

FALL 2023 Writing Workshops for Students Sponsored by Central West Virginia Writing Project

The Central West Virginia Writing Project wishes to support narrative student writing. We are inviting exceptional teachers of writing to prepare and deliver a workshop in their schools or online on Zoom or Teams. Below are the general guidelines for the student workshops for fall 2023. Keep in mind that we are trying to connect these workshops with possible entries for the Young Writers Contest so sessions that engage writers with the craft of narrative are always welcome.

Resources to Support the Workshops

Mentor texts are a great tool with which to engage writers. We have partnered with West Virginia Books and can provide a book for each participant that can be used in planning and delivering the workshop. Below is a list of some of the available books. The books will be at the Marshall University, South Charleston Campus for pick up and distribution to participants. We will not be able to mail out books to any facilitators or participants.

We can offer technology support to any presenter before and during the online workshop.

We can provide supplies such as markers, chart paper to any presenter. These materials will be available for pick up at Marshall University, South Charleston Campus.

Review the expectations for the workshop and if you are interested in preparing and delivering a workshop or have any questions about the fall writing workshops for students, please contact:

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Workshop Expectations

- The fall workshops can be delivered from October 16-December 8. The fall writing workshop is at least three 3 hours in length. The workshop can be a single session, or broken up into two or three sessions.
- If the session is done live, presenters take the responsibility for knowing and following all COVID-related measures to ensure the safety of all participants.
- If the session is done on Teams or Zoom, the presenter have access to relevant digital tools and a reliable Internet connection and must show in the workshop plan how students will be engaged throughout the session
- An exemplar application and parent consent form must be prepared, distributed, and collected from schools and students (see attached exemplar)
- Facilitators take the responsibility for procuring a space for the workshop.
- A plan for the workshop must be prepared and submitted at least one week before the workshop date.
- The facilitators take the principal responsibility for advertising the workshop to students in local schools.
- There must be a minimum of 15 committed students for the workshop to move forward. A clear cancellation notice should be part of information to students/parents and a back-up list is advisable
- Payment is \$300.00 for an individual presenter; \$150.00 for co-presenters.
- Marshall will need some paperwork from anyone not in our system to process payment.
- Artifacts from the workshop in the form of pictures (at least 2) and one sample of student work that showcase the workshop need to be submitted in the days following the workshop.
- If the workshop is virtual, please include Susan Divita on the list of participants.
- If the workshop is at a school, please make sure Susan Divita is invited to attend.