

# **SPS Access Class:**

# Community & Classroom Connection

Thanks to a grant from the Springfield Public Schools Foundation, 35 Springfield Public School teachers will be awarded an opportunity to participate in the Leadership Springfield SPS Access Class. This unique learning opportunity enhances community awareness, builds meaningful connections with other SPS teachers and community networks, increases knowledge of community resources available to support SPS students and families, and provides information for future opportunities available to SPS students after graduation.

The two-day format allows busy teachers a greater view of our community, a vast network of contacts and resources, and an actionable connection between the experience and the classroom. Following the SPS Access Class, teachers will present an overview of their experience to their building peers during a staff meeting or other professional learning opportunity to transfer the information and expand the depth of community context and resource awareness across the district.

## SPS Access is Ideal For:

- Year 2 STEP UP teachers in SPS
- Any certified SPS teachers that have taught for three years or more
- Any SPS district leader, Coordinators, Specialists, or Coaches in SPS

#### How Teachers Benefit:

- Gain direct exposure to local leaders & access to a community resource and industry network.
- Enjoy hands-on learning via an informative experience in the local Springfield community.
- Build a network of other area teachers to strengthen community ties and develop friendships.
- Access Class graduates are invited to join more than 2,000 alumni of Leadership Springfield programs, with opportunities for ongoing continuing education & engagement.

#### How the School Benefits:

- Increase teacher knowledge base by providing a community network of contacts.
- Increase exposure to Springfield area resources to assist student and family needs.

## **Access Class**

November 15-16, 2021 7:45am-4:30pm

# Class Agenda

## Day One

7:45am - Check-in and Hot Breakfast

8am-12pm - Class Introductions, Get to Know You, Session Speakers

12pm-1pm - Lunch

1pm-4:30pm - Sessions Speakers, Resource Stations, Networking Opportunities

### Day Two

7:45am - Check-In and Hot Breakfast

8am-12pm - Group Activity, Session Speakers, Panel Discussion

12pm-1pm - Lunch

1pm-4:30 - Session Speakers, Virtual Tours, Community to the Classroom

4:30pm - Class Graduation

# Registration

If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Martha Doennig, Director of Learning Development, mdoennig@spsmail.org.

