Supporting ALL K-12 Learners Toward Deeper Learning on the Pathway to Literacy Success
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Are you interested in examining ways to help all of your K-5 learners succeed? As you know, students in kindergarten through grade 5 are curious by nature but need support to dig deeper into learning as they notice, wonder, and explore topics that build knowledge, vocabulary, and fluency. This institute will examine various ways to “teach in the moment” and support ALL students as they access increasingly challenging text and begin the inquiry process. Whether you are an in-service teacher implementing the NYS domains/modules, adapting them, or aligning curriculum to the standards and shifts or a pre-service teacher learning to design common core lessons in a teacher education program, this interactive summer institute is designed to provide you with strategies, protocols, and learning targets to assist you in supporting all K-5 students to meet the challenging demands of common core learning. Come prepared to learn, converse, and collaborate on various practices that will power up your instruction and help your students become independent, critical thinkers of the Common Core Information Age.

Please bring a device to access a shared Google Drive of resources to engage your curious learners in rigorous but vigorous learning experiences for the 2015-16 school year.

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