



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Department of Education

DATE: August 18, 2017
TO: Division Superintendents
FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction
SUBJECT: **Strategies to Support English Learner (EL) Newcomer Students and Students with Limited or Interrupted Formal Education (SLIFE)**

As part of the Virginia Department of Education's ongoing effort to ensure compliance under the *Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015*, a one day training titled *Strategies to Support English Learner (EL) Newcomer Students and Students with Limited or Interrupted Formal Education (SLIFE)*, will be hosted by Fairfax County Public Schools training staff at the following site on the date specified below:

Training Location and Lodging Information	Date and Time
Ashlawn-Highland: Event Barn 2050 James Monroe Parkway Charlottesville, Virginia 22902 434-293-8000	Wednesday, November 8, 2017 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.*

*Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.

This one day training is intended for kindergarten through grade 12 educators of EL Newcomer students and SLIFE. Participants will explore evidence-based instructional and intervention approaches to assist ELs in mastering academic content.

Registration and Lodging: The Office of Continuing and Professional Education at Virginia Tech will manage online registration and lodging. A limited block of hotel rooms for participants outside of a fifty mile radius of the training location will be provided. Lodging reservations will be made during the online registration process. Please register and reserve your lodging room, *if needed*, online at <http://register.cpe.vt.edu/search/publicCourseSearchDetails.do?method=load&courseId=275038&selectedProgramAreaId=24508&selectedProgramStreamId=24521>.

The deadline for registration and lodging is October 11, 2017.

Authorized Expenses: Evening meals, parking, and travel costs are the responsibility of attendees; however, these expenses are authorized activities and may be charged to local Title I, Part A; Title I, Part C; Title II, Part A; or Title III, Part A budgets. Materials, breakfast, and lunch will be provided.

Cancellation: If participants need to cancel their hotel reservations, please contact Christy Wallace, the Virginia Tech registrar, **no later than November 1, 2017**, at wallacec@vt.edu or (540) 231-6735. Failure to advise the registrar in advance of cancellation may result in lodging charges to the attendee.

For questions, please contact Judy Radford, ESL Professional Development Coordinator, at Judy.Radford@doe.virginia.gov or (804) 786-1692.

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