

Seattle Education Association

ProTeach® Portfolio Cohort Support

What is ProTeach®?

Teachers with Residency Certificates (certified after August 31, 2000) are required to earn a Professional Certificate in order to maintain employment. The ProTeach® portfolio, an assessment scored by the Educational Testing Service, is an option for earning Professional Certification. More information is available at www.waproteach.com .

What is the SEA ProTeach Cohort Program?

SEA provides support for candidates through the SEA ProTeach® Portfolio Support Program. Candidate support is optional for teachers completing ProTeach®; however, results indicate a significantly higher pass rate among candidates who work with a support program. In addition, feedback from WEA members suggests that support is critical in both the quality of the professional learning experience and certification result.

Cohort groups of 12 - 15 candidates that are run by a state trained facilitator meet monthly. There is a fast track option intended for teachers planning to submit their portfolios in January, and a ten month track that meets from August - May. Both tracks begin August 29th and the meetings for fast track and ten month candidates are held at the same time.

Participants receive support, instruction, and feedback at meetings from their facilitator and are able to give and receive feedback with their peers. Clock hours will be available for cohort participants.

When do the groups meet? Each meeting date is listed below. Most meetings are from 9 a.m. to noon, and we will meet at Seattle Education Association headquarters. The kickoff August 29th

meeting will run from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Each participant will receive a copy of the SEA ProTeach® Portfolio Assessment Guide and is responsible to bring this guide to each meeting.

August 29
September 17
October 22
November 5
December 10
January 07
February 11
March 11
April 8
May 6

How much are the fees?

This program is offered as an SEA member benefit. We offer two support options for ProTeach® candidates:

\$250 for Fast Track (August - January) support Submission of portfolio in January 2017

\$350 for 10 month support Submission of the portfolio in June 2017

Full payment of the registration fee is due at the August 29th meeting, unless arrangements have been made with SEA. (NOTE: You must be a Member of SEA to qualify for the above fees. If you need a membership form sent to you, please send an email to SeattleEA@washingtonea.org and request one.)

How do I register?

Prior to July 31st, Registration will be guaranteed upon submission of the registration form and receipt of a \$100 deposit. Click here to register: <http://bit.ly/1JqGnIQ> Registration requests after July 31st will be handled on a space available basis.

Helpful Links

Professional Educator Standards Board:

www.pesb.wa.gov

OSPI's Certification Page:

www.k12.wa.us/certification

ProTeach® website:

www.waproteach.com

ProTeach Portfolio Assessment Guide:

http://www.waproteach.org/rsc/pdf/waproteach_candidate_guide_09_2015.pdf

ProTeach® Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page:

<http://www.waproteach.com/faqs/index.html>