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DOE Initiates Summer Institute as Professional Development for New Jersey Teachers of English Language Learners

The Office of Specialized Populations, in collaboration with New Jersey institutions of higher education, will be sponsoring a year-long professional development opportunity for mainstream teachers and other school personnel who work with English language learners.

As increasing numbers of immigrant students enroll in New Jersey schools, it is critical that all teachers develop the skills to effectively work with this population.

The Sheltered Instruction Training will hold a summer institute during the month of July at the following universities: Rowan University, Kean University and New Jersey City University. Participants will receive training in Sheltered Instruction and will be able to implement content area lessons that have proven effective with English language learners.

University faculty will provide on-going support throughout the school year with follow-up meetings and on-site visitations.

To register, please visit the NJDOE Professional Development site: https://homeroom5.doe.state.nj.us/events/. The workshops will be offered regionally as follows:

- **NORTHERN REGION:** July 17-20 at the New Jersey City University, College of Education, 2039 Kennedy Boulevard, Jersey City from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Directions are here: http://www.njcu.edu/i2e/visit/directions.asp.
- **CENTRAL REGION:** July 10-13, 2006 at KeanUniversity, Center for Bilingual Education, Morris Avenue, Union from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Directions are here: http://www.kean.edu/directions.html.
- **SOUTHERN REGION:** July 11-13, 2006 (Elementary Teachers) July 17-19, 2006 (Secondary Teachers) at the Education Institute of Rowan University, Education Hall, 201 Mullica Hill Road, Glassboro from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Directions are here: http://www.rowan.edu/pdf/printable_directions.pdf.

Space is limited to two to five participants for each district, and registration will be on a first-come first-serve basis. For further questions, contact Ericka Reed at the Office of Specialized Populations at (609) 292-8777 or ericka.reed@doe.ni.gov.

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