## MAIL-IN CURRICULUM FORM

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# What Can Connections Do For You?

The Innovative Instructional Series offers a course design like no other. Offered to Educators in the Intermountain Area, these courses are a series of a unique combination of instruction by experts in the field, independent study, Internet research, Email assignments and virtual tours of actual cutting-edge technologies. It brings to

light the methodology that guides and incorporates best practices and curriculum from various resources including national research and laboratories.

These courses are self-paced, independent study with no seat time.

#### INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO OBTAIN CURRICULUM AND REGISTER FOR CREDITS

- 1. Fill out the curriculum form and send it in the mail or purchase the curriculum on-line at the Connections web address.
- 2. Curriculum fee is \$50.00 per course payable to <a href="Connections">Connections</a>.
- 3. You will receive a curriculum packet in the mail that includes Northwest Nazarene University (NNU) credit registration information. NNU Professional Development credits are \$60.00 per credit. These courses are two (2) credit courses. Total credit cost is \$120.00.



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#### Teacher Leadership

#### Attitude—Can it Make or Break an Educator 2 NNU Credits

As stated in his book "Attitude 101" John C Maxwell states: As an individual, your attitude has a profound impact on your life. A person's attitude impacts their relationships, colors their view of failure and defines their approach to success.

Attitude can make or break you!! This course will provide you with simple steps that can be taken to not only improve your attitude but these steps are guaranteed to bring joy to your life! Certainly an opportunity for all educators.

#### **Coping Skills for Educators**

### Part I: Dealing with Difficult Individuals 2 NNU Credits

The Part I: Dealing with Difficult Individuals course takes a look at various techniques used in dealing with conflict. The ability



to deal with people is even more important today with the pressures of our fast-paced environment. Coping skills are important in order to handle conflict in a professional and productive way. Obtaining these skills and using them effectively is a challenge for educators.

#### Part II: Dealing with Difficult Parents, 2 NNU Credits

#### Pre-requisite is the Part I course

The Part II - Dealing with Difficult Parents course continues to look at ways that an educator can deal with a difficult parent and/or peer. This type of stressful situation is ranked at the top of the list

facing today. Resource tools are

when it comes to what educators are

provided for an approach in handling conflicts with parents and peers.

#### Social and Emotional Learning

### Part I: Safeguards Against Bullying 2 NNU Credits



How big of a problem is bullying today and can educators easily identify when a problem exists in their classroom or on the playground?
What are the characteristics and impact to a victim of bullying? Can the

negative behavior of a bully be turned around? This course provides helpful hints for the educator that can also be shared with parents.

### Part II: The Crisis of Cyberbullying 2 NNU Credits

Pre-requisite is the Part I course

The Crisis of Cyberbullying is the second course available in our bullying series.

Cyberbullying can be more difficult to detect than other kinds of bullying. But when you know what to look for, you can take action. 160,000 American youth skip school in fear of bullying. Cyberbullying has a potential for being very dark and difficult to detect. This course will focus on strategies, resources and tools that educators can use to inform their students and their parents on the crisis of cyberbullying.

### Learning with the Heart 2 NNU Credits



Can students learn without emotional involvement? Can a teacher instruct without emotional involvement? This course is designed to provide an overview of the

importance of the critical role the heart plays in effecting our emotional experience. Tools are provided that present an opportunity for development of higher-order thinking skills, learner readiness, decision making, and test-taking skills as well as for social and emotional behavior.

#### **Best Practices**

### Designing a Project Based Learning (PBL) Classroom, 2 NNU Credits



Project Based Learning (PBL) is not new however research shows that business and industry are choosing employees who have strong skills that prove

successful in today's work environment. It can be an enjoyable and effective way to learn.

#### Classroom Technology

### Using Apps in the Classroom 2 NNU Credits

Today the use of Apps in the classroom is expanding the learning experience for students by assisting the educator with dynamic, engaging and concept building supplements to their core curriculum. There are thousands of Apps today that can assist this effort. Let's explore some proven Apps.

#### **Coping Skills for Educators**

### Is it possible to be a "Happy" Teacher Everyday—2 NNU Credits

As stated on the cover of Michael Linsin's book entitled *The Happy Teacher Habits* based on the latest research and drawing on experts from the worlds of business, marketing, sports, entertainment, music and medicine, you will learn simple, actionable strategies that will eliminate your teaching stress. Ideas presented will supercharge your ability to motivate and inspire your students, and empower you to really love your job. Is it possible? A terrific way to improving ourselves and the lives of our students.

#### **Good Sportsmanship Practices**

#### Preparing Today's Sports Players without Over Involvement from Parents, 2 NNU Credits

Parents are fighting with referees, coaches, their kids and one another. Students today are losing their passion to play sports and WHY? This course will look into some of the issues that are putting American youth

sports in crisis. In the book from Dr. Jerry Lynch we gain guidance on how to "Let Them Play".

#### Mysteries of the Universe

#### Part 1: Let's Fly in Space 2 NNU Credits

Let's take a look at life in space, former explorers, and what the future will hold for our students in the deep and dark unknown of outer space. Great video clips and curriculum provided that helps guide the exploration of a student.

#### The Challenge of Going to MARS, Part II, 2 NNU Credits. Pre-requisite is the Part I course



This course takes a look at MARS, the history, the challenges and the future. The NASA website states: "Mars is right next door to Earth, but it isn't very neighborly. Two-thirds of all international

missions have failed, but an undaunted human spirit and hard work keep us on a path to explore Mars - a world so much like our own, but much more hostile and uninviting". Let's Explore MARS!

#### Student Leadership Skills

#### Teaching Tomorrow's Leaders, 2 NNU Credits

Does a leader come by leadership traits naturally? Our personality and work ethic has a great deal to do with leadership however there are fundamental skills that students need by guiding them to be creative thinkers, productive, responsible citizens and compassionate caring leaders in the classroom. This course will provide an opportunity for educators to build the fundamental traits required for tomorrow's leaders.

#### Classroom Exploration

#### Life in the Rainforest—2 NNU Credits

Life in the Rainforest provides the New Explorers series that studies the "20th Century Medicine Man", "Islands in the Jungle" and "What Children of the River" are doing to clean up our own environment in the United States.



#### Physical Science and Physics are Fun

#### **Physical Science Revisited for Intermountain Educators (PRIME) - 2 NNU Credits**

Physical Science along with Physics can be a topic of incredible discovery and exploration for students! Is that the practice and methods that you are using? PRIME provides you with fun hands-on activities along with a "Rock & Roll Physics" video clip and curriculum from the New Explorers series. Don't miss this chance to provide a life-long experience for your students and allow them to discover how FUN school can be!



#### Take a Course and Receive Credits from Northwest Nazarene **University (NNU)**

The Center for Professional Development's (CPD) PDLearn course catalog and student registration web platform houses the most extensive and diverse collection of continuing education courses for professional development in the Northwest region.

As a regionally accredited university, NNU serves the professional development needs of K-12 educators, schools, districts, and human service and business organizations throughout the United States.

Tap into one of the existing courses for you or for your staff, or suggest a course through the online Course Initiation Application.

Traditional, face-to-face, online and hybrid courses, as well as affiliate seminars and conferences, mean you can find what fits you best.

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