

## TEACHER COLLABORATION Co-Op

When teachers are starting out, either in the profession, or in a new state, district, or post, there are so many unknowns and questions... and finding the answers takes time that you don't have! Even the most seasoned teachers can tire of the many different membership, professional learning, and publication option in the state, and would appreciate a more personalized, curated approach.



The mission of AATF-CT's Teacher Collaboration Co-op is threefold:

- to connect you to other teachers (new and seasoned), with an option to enroll in the AATF CT Mentorship Program,
- offer personalized professional learning opportunities that focus on relevant, current topics,
- and keep you "in the loop" about events and trends in World Language learning state and nationwide!

The Co-op is available to all teachers, new and established.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

All Co-op participants will attend an initial virtual workshop over Zoom to get acquainted with each other, the program coordinator, and AATF-CT. In-person meetings will be organized for late January and early June.

Monthly PD workshops will be offered to the Co-op. Workshop topics will be determined by feedback from members... an EdCamp-style event will also be offered if members prefer.

The quarterly newsletter will have the following sections: Resources, Teacher Spotlight, Upcoming PD offerings, News from other state and national organizations... and a TED Talk for motivation!

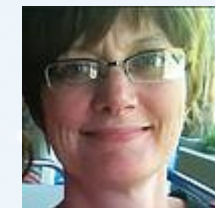
Co-op participants will be kept "in the loop" about PD, student and teacher contests and events, and language-learning trends from state and national organizations... without having to hunt down the info!

## PEOPLE TO KNOW



AATF CT President Jon Shee is a tireless advocate for French teachers in CT! He is the World Language Head of St. Luke's School in New Canaan.

Program Coordinator Melissa Tubbs is a longtime French teacher who is now a Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment coach at E. O. Smith High School in Storrs, CT.



Heidi Edel is the coordinator of the AATF CT Mentorship Program for new teachers. She is the Department Chair of World Languages and ESL at New Fairfield High School.

## NEXT STEPS

If you are interested in participating in the 2021 Co-op:

- Email Melissa Tubbs at [mtubbs@eosmith.org](mailto:mtubbs@eosmith.org)
- Make sure to join AATF-CT on our website, [www.aatfct.org](http://www.aatfct.org)