



CFE 2017 Workshop Presenter Info Document + FAQs

For the first time this year, CFE will be accepting applications for its 2017 Workshop Presenter positions from educators throughout the Chicago area. The Presenter Application is available [HERE](#) and must be submitted by Thursday, August 31st. Please review the Frequently Asked Questions below, and contact CFE (CFE@CFEgrants.org or 312.670.2323) with any additional queries or concerns.

Q: When and where will CFE's Workshop occur?

A: The 2017 CFE Workshop will be held on Saturday, October 28th at Whitney Young Magnet High School (1431 W. Jackson Blvd, Chicago). The event runs from 8:00am to 1:00pm.

Q: Who is eligible to present at CFE's Workshop?

A: Any PreK-12th educator – working in Chicago's public schools, Chicago-area private schools, suburban schools, etc – is eligible to apply for this opportunity. In the past, only CPS teachers have been allowed to present at CFE's Workshop, but we are opening it up to a broader audience in 2017.

Q: How long are the presentations? How many presentations does each Presenter give?

A: This year, we are offering Presenters the choice between two 35-minute sessions *or* one 70-minute session. We have found that some presentations lend themselves well to shorter meeting periods, while others benefit from having an extended time slot. Educators interested in presenting at Workshop are required to select one of these two options on the application.

Q: What do Presenters received for presenting at CFE's Workshop?

A: Presenters are eligible to receive Professional Development Hours for both the orientation (a short meeting in September or early October) and the event itself, as well as \$75. Please note that the stipend is per presentation, not per Presenter (*i.e. if 2 individuals team up to lead a presentation, they will receive \$75 total, not \$75 each*). Presenters are also provided with free admission to the entire event, free entry into the Teacher Raffle, and inclusion in our printed and electronic versions of the Workshop Catalog.

Q: What are examples of past presentations that have been offered?

A: We always try to have a broad range of offerings in terms of grade level, content focus, presenter experience level, intended audience member, etc... but some presentations offered in 2015 included: "Be a Musician: In School and Beyond!"; "Creating Text-Dependent Questions for Close Reading"; "Growing Scientists and Engineers through Literacy and Play"; "Making Algebra Accessible Using Hands-On Equations"; "Meaningful Lessons with Whole Brain Teaching"; and "Transforming Your Classroom through Love and Logic". These are solely examples, however; we are open to any presentation idea!

Q: What is the timeline of the Presenter selection process?

A: Applications are due by Thursday, August 31st and will be reviewed by an appointed committee the following week. Applicants accepted to present at CFE's Workshop will be notified the week of Monday, September 11th. A two-hour mandatory orientation for all new Presenters will be held in September or early October (*details TBD*).