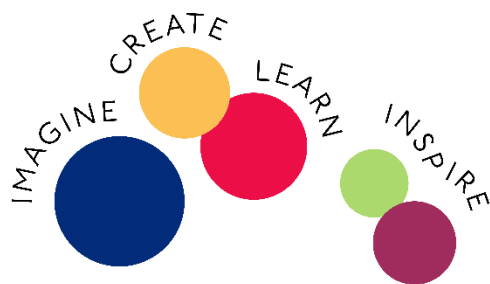


**The West Virginia Reading Association  
66<sup>th</sup> Conference: Call for Roundtable Sessions**



**WVRA**

*Literacy: A Joyful Transformation*  
**2022 Conference**

**The West Virginia Reading Association  
66th Conference  
November 17-18, 2022  
The Greenbrier Resort  
White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia**

**PROPOSAL DEADLINE **AUGUST 1, 2022****

**WVRA: CHANGING LIVES THROUGH READING**

In 1968, we started a reading (R)evolution as the first professional organization in our state dedicated to improving reading education. Then and now, WVRA members have consistently demonstrated a strong commitment to encouraging and supporting all West Virginia readers. More than 50 years later, we remain confident, committed, and caring West Virginians who are dedicated to the importance of reading and literacy.

**CONFERENCE OVERVIEW**

This year, the conference will celebrate and embrace the transformational nature of literacy. The conference theme is *“Literacy: A Joyful Transformation”* and reflects the amazing power that literacy offers, including the potential to spark imagination, inspiration, and wonder. The conference will present sessions and speakers that demonstrate and align with the following strands:

- Strand I: *Joy, how can we bring joy into reading and literacy instruction?*
  - *How are you intentionally placing joy at the heart of your reading and literacy curriculum?*
- Strand II: *Transformation, how has literature transformed your classroom?*
  - *How have you used young adult and children’s literature to promote happiness, empathy, and joy?*
- Strand III: *Happiness, how has writing experiences and instruction brought forth tools that promote happiness?*
  - *For students and teachers, how has writing become a time of celebration and time to cherish?*
- Strand IV: *A joyful transformation, how are you designing and delivering reading and literacy instruction that embraces and supports all learners?*

## ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS

- Roundtables offer an opportunity for community conversations around literacy and reading instruction, issues, strategies, and/or trends.
- Roundtables are designed to allow attendees to discuss and share ideas with each other on a topic of shared interest with the aid of a facilitator.
- The facilitator acts as a guide and frames the conversation, with most of the comments and discussion coming from participants.
- Facilitators must be prepared to drive the topical conversation with prompts and questions.
- Roundtable sessions will be allotted 30 minutes for the informal and inspiring conversation.
- Submit your roundtable topic, accompanied with 8-10 prompts and/or questions to be used in the roundtable.
- **Excluded from selection are (1) incomplete proposals, and/or (2) proposals that promote commercial materials, programs, and/or professional consultants.**

## KEY DEADLINES

- **THE DEADLINE FOR TOPIC AND FACILITATOR APPROVAL IS AUGUST 1, 2022.**
- Notification of a facilitator's acceptance and topic will be e-mailed to the author by **September 1, 2022.**
- All facilitators must register for the conference and pay conference fees by **October 16, 2022.**

## GENERAL INFORMATION

- Mail or electronically submit the complete proposal(s) on or before **AUGUST 1, 2022,** to:

Dr. Angela Curfman  
2026 Oglebay Drive  
Wheeling, WV 26003  
angela.curfman@westliberty.edu

**Word process and submit this proposal either electronically or through the US Postal Service.**

### **1. Roundtable Facilitator Contact Information**

Name:

Street Address:

City, state, zip:

Home phone:

Cell:

E-Mail Address:

Member of WVRA:

### **2. Roundtable Topic**

### **3. Roundtable prompts and questions (8-10)**

## Statement of Intent

The presentation team, presider, and I (the proposal author) understand and agree that if the proposal is accepted by a peer review process, the presenter/s will:

- ❖ Recognizes that the West Virginia Reading Association is a professional, non-profit origination and is unable to provide honoraria or reimburse presenters for materials, travel, technology, fees, meals, or hotel expenses.
- ❖ Register for the WVRA Conference and pay all registration fees on or before October 16, 2022.
- ❖ Prepare and print handouts or materials prior to arrival at the conference.
- ❖ Be responsible for paying any fines for copyright violations occurring during the presentation.
- ❖ Will not expect the West Virginia Reading Association to reimburse any expenses for members of the team.
- ❖ Obtain written parental or legal guardian permission for presentations that use PreK-Grade 12 student work a part of the presentation.
- ❖ Notify Dr. Angela Curfman immediately about any changes in the status of this proposal.

Proposal Author's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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