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New Americans in the Classroom: A Deeper Dive

June 5-6, 2023.

Location: Industry Room @ Dennis Technical Center NOT the training center

1 Credit Professional Development (CEU) from NNU

Course Details

Based on the enthusiastic response to the "New Americans in the Classroom" workshop, we are offering a 15-hour course on working with students with a refugee background. In this lively, interactive course we will cover:

• **Refugee 101** – How do refugees arrive in the US? What is it like to be forced to leave your homeland?

• **Trauma** – How does trauma interfere with learning? How can we respond to students who are triggered? What are trauma-informed teaching methods?

• **Multilingual Learners** -- How does it feel to enter a classroom in a strange language, in a strange land? How can teachers (both content and MLL teachers) make learning accessible for new American students?

• **D**isruptive Behavior – What might be the roots of this for immigrant students? And what can we do about it?

• Cross-Cultural Kids – How do grief and identity play out for these students, and how can we be supportive?

• Family Engagement – What do refugee parents expect from schools? And what are some concrete techniques for communicating with families?

Hear firsthand from:

- Students and parents with a refugee background
- A trauma counselor who works with refugee youth
- Teachers working with English language learners

We will model concrete instructional strategies and practice ways to reduce stress and trauma. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes!



Reviews

"Inspirational. Moving. Incredible." –Staff member, Whittier Elementary

"Best presentation I've attended in 10 years." – Staff Member, Boise High School Hosted by Neighbors United Refugee Collaborative and the Boise School District.



Neighbors United Refugee Collaborative of Boise