Poetry that Enlightens and Engages: 
Using Poetry to Lift the Level of Writing

*Presented by Debra Wachtler*

Poetry can be an incredibly powerful way to have students investigate the power of language, fluency, grammar, and structure in text. This seminar will focus on how to teach poetry in a way that is accessible and exciting for all students. Topics included will be:

- How to hook students into poetry from the beginning of the year
- Selecting key mentor texts to accompany a poetry unit
- Developing lessons that correlate to the NYS Next Generation Standards
- Connecting poetry to content area curriculum, grammar, as well as reading and writing

Participants will be given time to develop their own minilessons using mentor texts that are developmentally appropriate and engaging for their specific population.

**DATE:** Wednesday, June 3, 2020  
**TIME:** 8:30 am – 2:30 pm  
**COST:** $150 for subscribers / $199 for non-subscribers  
**AUDIENCE:** Teachers Grades 2-8, Special Education Teachers, Reading Teachers, and Administrators  
**LOCATION:** Instructional Support Center @ Sequoya, 750 Waverly Ave, Holtsville  
**REGISTER:** [http://webreg.esboces.org](http://webreg.esboces.org)

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