SOUTHERN MAINE PARTNERSHIP PRESENTS
A TWO-DAY CONFERENCE ON MAY 18-19, 2016

ASSESSMENT FOR LEARNING & LEADING:
IMPACTING & EMPOWERING STUDENT LEARNING

We invite you to join leading state, national, and international Classroom Assessment experts in beautiful Portland, ME for this 2-day conference.

Jan Chappuis
Keynotes
• Making Time for Formative Assessment
• Assessment Practices That Create Self-Directed Learners

Dr. Rick Stiggins
Keynote
• A Balanced Assessment Approach in a Proficiency-Based System

Conference Price: $250 includes access to all keynotes, sessions, as well as snacks and lunch for the 2-day conference. Educators from SMP, PREP, or RiSE member districts may register at a reduced rate of $200/participant. While not preferable, participants may register for 1-day only at $125.

***Please register using this link:  http://bit.ly/1LJJKOM

Additional Conference Features
• Facilitated Leaders Roundtable Discussions
• Q & A with Experts and Expert Panel Discussions
• Interactive Immersion Assessment Gallery
• Regional Learning Collaboratives (e.g., RiSE, MALI, SMP, PREP)
• Facilitated Sharing of Best Practices (GIFTS – Great Ideas for Teaching [Assessing] Students/Staff

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Dr. Rick Stiggins
Rick Stiggins is the founder and president of the Assessment Training Institute, Portland, Oregon. The flagship program, Classroom Assessment FOR Student Learning: Doing It Right—Using It Well. A complementary program, Assessment Balance and Quality: An Action Guide for School Leaders, helps school district administrators put in place the organizational conditions needed for teachers to take full advantage of assessment FOR learning.

Dr. Jeff Beaudry and Dr. Anita Stewart McCafferty
As Co-Directors of Southern Maine Partnership and faculty in the Educational Leadership Program at USM, Jeff and Anita have worked to grow regional, statewide collaboratives in assessment literacy to support the work of teacher and instructional leaders. They have developed professional learning opportunities around 5+7=Assessment Literacy, Next Steps Rubric, Immersion Galleries, SLOs (educator effectiveness and proficiency), and social media.

Dr. Gert Nesin
Gert Nesin, long involved in middle school education, tirelessly advocates for meaningful, student-involved learning and assessment that supports it. She earned both her Masters and Doctorate in middle school education, with a focus on integrative curriculum. She currently teaches 8th grade at Leonard Middle School.

Dr. Holly Couturier
Holly Couturier holds a Ph.D. in Higher Educational Leadership. She has been a teacher, teaching principal and principal for over 15 years before becoming the Assistant Executive Director for the Maine Principals’ Association. Her primary responsibility at the MPA is to provide high quality professional development for all of the educational leaders in the state.

Other Feature Presenters:
Erika Allison and Beth ByersSmall from Maine Center for Research in STEM Education at the University of Maine (RiSE Center)
Argy Nestor from Maine Arts Leadership Initiative & Maine Arts Commission

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**Wednesday Conference Schedule:**

8:00 – Registration (Abromson Foyer)

8:30–9:30 – **General Session/Morning Keynote w Jan Chappuis** (Hannaford Hall)

9:45–11:00 – **Concurrent Sessions I**

11:15–12:00 – **Facilitated Learning/Sharing Sessions**
  * Q&A with Experts
  * Interactive 5+7 Gallery Walk as a PD Strategy
  * Round Tables
  * Panel Discussion

12:00–12:45 – **Lunch & Networking**

12:45–2:00 – **Concurrent Sessions II**

2:15–3:00 – **General Session/Afternoon Keynote w Rick Stiggins** (Hannaford Hall)

4:00–6:00 – **Reception with Jan & Rick** (location TBA)

**Thursday Conference Schedule:**

8:30–9:30 – **General Session/Morning Keynote w Rick Stiggins & Jan Chappuis** (Hannaford Hall)

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12:00–1:00 – **Round Table Lunch Groups; Walk & Talk Options**

1:00–2:30 – **GIFTS** (Great Ideas for Teaching Students/Staff) & **ALL** (Assessing for Learning & Leading) **Sharing Sessions** (structured unconference model)

2:30–3:00 – **Closing General Session** (Hannaford Hall)
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*Assessment Literacy for Leadership - Dr. Rick Stiggins & Dr. Jeff Beaudry (USM)- Hannaford Hall

*How Objective are Grades? - Dr. Gert Nesin (RSU 34) - Rm. 212

*Making Time for Formative Assessment – Jan Chappuis – Room 213

*Effective Observation Tools & Feedback Strategies for Teachers & Principal Evaluation – Dr. Anita Stewart McCafferty (USM), Dr. Holly Couturier (MPA) & Dr. Tom Edwards (USM) –Room 109-110

*NGSS and Student Growth Strategies – How Do You Know if Your Students are Really Learning? – Beth ByersSmall and Erika Allison (RiSE/UM) – Rm. 211

11:15–12:00 – Facilitated Learning/Sharing Sessions

*Interactive 5+7 Gallery Walk as a High-Impact PD Strategy
   Docents: Dr. Anita Stewart McCafferty (USM) & Beth ByersSmall (RiSE) –Rm.109/110

*Assessment for Learning Round Tables:
   -Leaders – Dr. Holly Couturier (MPA) & Dr. Rick Stiggins – Mezz
   -Interventions/RTI – Rebekah Drysdale (Auburn), Bethany Carragher (Westbrook), & Dr. Jane Crowley (MSAD 51) – Rm. 212
   -Data Literacy – Tim Neville (NWEA) & Erica Mazzeo (Falmouth) – Rm. 213
   -STEM, NGSS & Common Core Math – Erika Allison (RiSE) – Rm. 211

*Panel Discussion:
   Proficiency & Evidence of Learning – facilitated by Dr. Jeff Beaudry (USM) with Jan Chappuis, Heather Rockwell (RSU 67), Eric Waddell (Kittery), Dr. Gert Nesin (RSU 34) – Hannaford Hall

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*Creating Selected Response Items for Diagnostic Purposes – Jan Chappuis – Hannaford

*Student Growth Goals (SMART or SLO) Meet 5+7: Assessing Student Growth Using High-Impact Strategies – Dr. Anita Stewart McCafferty (USM) – Room 109-110

*Mapping, Writing, & Growth – Dr. Jeff Beaudry (USM) & Betty Bickford (RSU 67) – Room 213

*Collaboration & Teacher-Led Improvement Communities – Argy Nestor (Maine Arts Commission) and Rob Westerberg (York) – Room 212

*Impactful Strategies for the ELL Student – Robyn Bailey (Portland) & Dr. Tammy Mills (USM/UM) – Room 211

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  *Creating Quality Tasks – Jan Chappuis – Hannaford Hall
  *Creativity and Assessment – Sarah Ritz-Swain (CT) – Room 212
  *Jagged Edges and Learning Profiles: Student Attributions and Habits of Mind – Dr. Anita Stewart McCafferty (USM) & Ryan Crane (RSU 67) – Rm. 109/110
  *Involving Students in their Own Learning – Dr. Gert Nesin (RSU 34) – Rm. 211
  *Rubric Design (Forward & Backward) – Dr. Jeff Beaudry (USM) – Rm. 213

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    Docents: Dr. Jeff Beaudry (USM), Erica Mazzeo (Falmouth), Heather Rockwell (RSU 67) & Dr. Anita Stewart McCafferty (USM)
  *Assessment for Learning Round Tables
    – Leadership & Evaluation: Dr. Tom Edwards (USM), Mick Roy (MSAD 6) & Dr. Jody Capelluti (USM)
    – STEM: Dr. Julie Opperman (MSAD 51), Dr. Gert Nesin (RSU 34), Beth ByersSmall (RiSE) & Sue O’Brien (RSU 22)
    – Literacy Strategies: Christine Bertinet (RSU 57) & MaryLou Shuster (MSAD 6)
    – The Arts: Sarah Ritz-Swain (CT), Holly Leighton (RSU 67)

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  District/School Team Time; or
  Walk, Talk & Munch Options to Back Cove with a ‘guide’

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