



## The Met Professional Learning Community Frequently Asked Questions

### **Who is eligible to apply?**

The program is designed for active New York City school teachers of all subject areas and grade levels working in Title I, District 75, and transfer public schools. We are unable to consider applications from teachers working outside of New York City. Teachers working in other high-need schools may apply but must provide supporting materials to document school community need.

### **What is the application process?**

The application deadline is April 22, 2024. Selected teachers will be invited to participate in online group interviews between May 6 and May 24, 2024. Teachers will be notified of their selection for the cohort by June 5, 2024.

### **Are there any costs to teachers who participate in The MetPLC?**

There are no fees associated with participation in The MetPLC. Meals are provided during the Summer Institute and on Coaching and Reflection and Professional Development days. Teachers are responsible for their travel costs to and from the Museum. Each participant will receive a Museum membership during their year of participation as well as an honorarium of \$1,750 upon completion of the program.

### **What will teachers do during the Summer Institute and Coaching and Reflection days?**

Teachers will learn from experts about social justice and arts education, participate in workshops led by Met staff and educators, and take part in community-building activities. They will also workshop gallery and classroom lessons with other teachers and Met staff and educators.

### **Can I still participate in the program if I am unable to bring my students to The Met?**

Museum teaching is a core component of The MetPLC. The program is only open to teachers who can bring a class to The Met three to four times throughout the school year. We can reimburse schools for substitute costs; please see the [Memorandum of Understanding \(MOU\)](#) for more details.

### **Will I bring the same class to The Met each time?**

Yes. You will identify *one* class that will participate in The MetPLC program. This class will visit The Met as well as participate in the classroom visits by Met teaching artists. We will work with you to assess growth in this group of students over the course of the school year. If you would like to bring other classes to the Museum, you are welcome to request additional visits outside of The MetPLC program.

### **Is it possible to stay in the program if I start a position at another school?**

You are eligible to stay in the program if your new school is also a New York City Title I, District 75, or transfer public school, and is supportive of your participation in the program. You will need to secure a new MOU signed by your new principal.



**Will I receive my honorarium if I do not finish the full year of the program?**

No. Payment of the honorarium occurs after the final program date, upon completion of all program requirements.

**I have another commitment during the Summer Institute dates. Can I still participate in the program?**

No. We ask that you commit to participating in all components of the program, including both weeks of the Summer Institute. Please see the [calendar](#) for a full list of program dates. If you are unable to attend the Summer Institute, we encourage you to delay applying until next year. If you teach at a District 75 summer program, we can reimburse your school for substitute costs on Summer Institute days.

**How can I learn more?**

Join us for a virtual information session on Monday, March 25, at 3:30 pm or Wednesday, April 10, at 4 pm. Teachers, principals, and other school administrators are welcome to join either session to learn more about MetPLC and ask questions. Please email [metplc@metmuseum.org](mailto:metplc@metmuseum.org) to register for a session and receive the event link.