

Pre-Event Workshop #2

Seattle, WA

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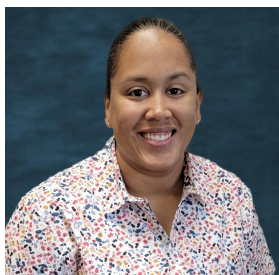
Cost: \$75.00

Co-Creating Mentoring Relationships: Elevating Partnerships Through Reflective and Responsive Supports

DESCRIPTION

This workshop focuses on what is currently working in the field of mentoring and supervision of novice teachers and teacher candidates. An exemplary state-wide residency/registered apprenticeship will be a featured part of the workshop. Two aspects of the program will be considered: What mentors do to support candidates and what the program does to support the mentors. Grounded in mutual respect and care, this session empowers mentors to initiate strong relationships, navigate ways to bring equity into their relationships, and provides strategies that mentors can apply in engaging in proactive communication and collaborative teaching strategies, as well as model reflective tools to support candidate growth. Centered in care, this workshop embraces deeper connection, shared purpose, and forward momentum for participants to move beyond routine mentoring.

Workshop Facilitators/Presenters Bios:



Jacqueline Brown is an experienced educator and instructional leader with a strong background in special education and behavior support. With years of experience working across diverse educational settings, she is known for building meaningful relationships with students and staff while fostering inclusive, high-expectation learning environments.

Jacqueline is deeply committed to being a champion of the underdog, consistently advocating for students who need it most and ensuring every learner feels seen, supported, and capable of success. She is passionate about mentoring emerging educators, supporting apprentice teachers,

and promoting growth through constructive feedback and collaboration. Her work reflects a deep commitment to student success, equity, and empowering others in the field of education.



Cindy Rockholt joined the Washington Education Association Apprenticeship Residency in Teaching (WEA-ART) team in the Educator Career Pathway Center in October 2023. Previous to joining the WEA, Cindy served as the Assistant Superintendent of Educator Growth and Development at the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction from 2017 to the fall of 2023. In that role, she supported OSPI's work of Professional Certification, Educator Effectiveness, Title II, Awards and Recognition and National Board Certification.

Prior to her role at OSPI, she served as the National Board Certified Teacher (NBCT) Site Director for Washington State on a national SEED grant promoting National Board Certification in partnership with WEA, OSPI and the Center for Strengthening the Teaching Profession.

Cindy was a teacher and instructional facilitator for 22 years in the Yakima School District in Washington State. She earned a master's degree in education for Professional Learning from Heritage University, and a Bachelor of Arts in Education from Central Washington University.