

# SYLLABUS FORM

**Workshop Title:** (limit to 4 words)

Teachers On Fire podcast exploration

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## Workshop Description (Proofread carefully. For courses offered to the general public, this will appear on the USF Web Site):

The Teachers on Fire podcast profiles agents of growth and transformation in K-12 education. Host Tim Cavey chats with inspiring educators to bring you their highs and lows, passions and goals, and the voices and influences that are shaping their thinking and inspiring their practice. Cavey is an 8th grade educator and vice-principal in Vancouver, BC, Canada. He has completed a Master's of Educational Leadership degree through Vancouver Island University, and the 2020-2021 school year was his 20th in education. In this 3-part podcast exploration, you will learn to Ignite the Flame, Avoid the Burnout, and Spark the Fire as it pertains to your own passion for teaching and learning.

## Workshop Objectives:

Participants will...

...try out three methods designed to improve concentration and evaluate comprehension when listening to podcasts; including, SketchNotes, MindMaps, and One-Pagers.

...ignite their flame in one or more of these areas: agency, innovation, creativity, productivity, edtech

...avoid burnout by strengthening their passion, engagement, creativity as they listen to the inspiring stories of three educational disruptors.

...spark their fire by changing mindsets: moving from the judge-and-be-judged mindset to the learn-and-help-learn mindset; moving from a mindset of surviving to a mindset of thriving, and moving from the negativity surrounding the Covid experience to positivity

....define specific goals and action plans to implement changes that positively impact student learning, teaching practices and school communities.

## Evaluation Criteria: (Include brief description of required assignments and evaluation methodology.)

To earn credit for this course, participants will...

ost 3 documents summarizing the selected podcast episodes (1 document for each course focus) on the corresponding class Padlet page ~ 60% of final grade  
\*complete the final exam using Google Forms ~ 40% of the final grade

### Course Introduction

Assignment 0.1 Watch Lindsey & Lori's video introduction to this course on YouTube. This video explains the what, how, and why of a podcast exploration and covers the requirements of the course.

Assignment 0.2 Watch the YouTube video What Is Sketchnoting? This video describes how to make a SketchNote, an option for the required assignments.

Assignment 0.3 Watch the YouTube video Mind Mapping. This video describes how to make a Mind Map, an option for the required assignments.

Assignment 0.4 Watch the YouTube video One-Pager Example. This video describes how to make a One-Pager, an option for the required assignments.

### Course Focus #1: Ignite the Flame

Assignment 1.1 Listen to episode #179: What's Your One Word For 2021? Tim Cavey hosts a roundtable discussion for a heart-warming conversation of shared hopes and dreams for growth and transformation.

Assignment 1.2 Listen to episode #138: Agency, Innovation, and Inspiration. Evo Hanna is an educator, education leader, freelance designer, and speaker. He is passionate about promoting confidence in students through innovation and agency.

Assignment 1.3 Listen to episode #103: Creativity, EdTech, and Productivity. Lisa Johnson is an educator by day, blogger by night... In this conversation, Lisa unpacks the mission and vision of Creatively Productive, and she explains why and how learners can organize their work more efficiently. She also describes her writer's notebooks and passion planner before sharing her voices and resources that shape her thinking and inspire her practice. connections, overcoming, persevering, and sometimes, it's even about helping kids unbecome what they've learned from negative influences.

Assignment 1.4 Create your own SketchNote, MindMap, or One-Pager that summarize the content of these three episodes in our 1st course focus, Understanding Student Behavior. Post your document on our Padlet Page: Ignite the Flame

### Course Focus #2: Avoid the Burnout

Assignment 2.1 Listen to episode #170: Passion, Engagement, and Content Creation. Stephanie Edmonds is a passionate high school educator in the Bronx, NY. She's a mom, a content creator, YouTuber, a hockey player, an activist - and as her brand indicates - a disruptor!

Assignment 2.2 Listen to episode #158: Creation, Communication, and Collaboration. Bruce Reicher is a dad, husband, author, technology teacher, sportscaster, state presenter, and Google Certified Educator. He is also an edtech master and has certifications from Brainpop, WeVideo, Wakelet, and other platforms.

Assignment 2.3 Listen to episode #142: Playing, Making and Learning. Dr. Annmarie Thomas is the director of the Playful Learning Lab, creator of Squishy Circuits, author of Making Makers, co-founder of Go Sandbox, and a professor of Engineering and Entrepreneurship at the University of St. Thomas.

Assignment 2.4 Create your own SketchNote, MindMap, or One-Pager that summarize the content of these three episodes in our 2nd course focus, Inspiring Teacher Excellence. Post your document on our Padlet Page: Avoid the Burnout

### Course Focus #3: Spark the Fire

Assignment 3.1 Listen to episode #173: Embrace Professional Comparison. When it comes to professional comparison we have two choices: judge-and-be-judged or learn-and-help-learn.

Assignment 3.2 Listen to episode #169: Top Ten Learning Tools for the Digital Classroom. Tim Cavey's top ten digital recommendations.

Assignment 3.3 Listen to episode #161: Ten Productivity Hacks, Habits, and Mindsets. With more demands on us than ever before, teacher and education leaders needs to find efficiencies wherever possible. Our mental, physical, and social health depend on it.

Assignment 3.4 Listen to episode #155: From Surviving to Thriving. Grace Voo put together a beautiful graphic that illustrates 50 Strategies to Move from Surviving to Thriving. Inspired by her collage, Tim Cavey shares some ways he restores his soul and rekindles his fire.

Assignment 3.5. Listen to episode #151: So You're Thinking of Becoming a Teacher. Tim Cavey lays out the pros and cons of a career in teaching.

Assignment 3.6 Listen to episode #143: Nine Ways That Corona Will Improve K-12 Education.

Assignment 3.7 Create your own SketchNote, MindMap, or One-Pager that summarize the content of these three episodes in our 3rd course focus, Transforming School Culture. Post your document on our Padlet Page: Spark the Fire

### Course Conclusion: Essay Exam

Complete 12 essay questions. These essay questions are designed to check for comprehension of the selected episodes' content, as well as to