

SYLLABUS FORM

Workshop Title: (limit to 4 words) Podcast Exploration #11: The 2nd Spark: Teachers on Fire

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Workshop Description:

Teachers on Fire, hosted by Tim Cavey, is a weekly podcast designed to inspire, empower, and equip K–12 educators. Each episode delivers heartfelt stories, fresh perspectives, and practical strategies to elevate your teaching practice. Guests include innovative teachers, leaders, and changemakers who share insights on topics like instructional coaching, educational leadership, classroom innovation, and more. The show also tackles pressing challenges such as teacher burnout, student engagement, and tech integration—offering actionable advice you can use right away.

Workshop Objectives (What should participants know or be able to do upon completion of this workshop?)

Participants will...

- *Define ways to lead from their current position and to create, grow, and collaborate.
- *Identify growth moments and formulate next steps.
- *Utilize the 5 S's, 4 A's, and 3 M's of teacher wellness to design their own self-care program.
- *Learn new assessment strategies that improve both the student and the teacher experience.
- *Complete a final exam including questions designed to assess understanding of the selected podcast episodes and to prompt thoughtful reflection. The short answer questions ask participants to articulate professional and personal goals related to each episode and outline specific, actionable steps to achieve them.
- *Experience three methods designed to improve concentration and evaluate comprehension when listening to podcasts; including, SketchNotes, MindMaps, and One-Pagers.

Evaluation Criteria: (Include brief description of required assignments and evaluation methodology.) To earn credit for this course, participants will...

- *post 3 documents summarizing the selected podcast episodes (1 document for each course focus) on the class Padlet pages ~ 60% of final grade
- *complete the final essay exam using Google Forms ~ 40% of the final grade

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 Sketch-noting? 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 Teachers on Fire episode 292 Lead From Where You Are

Assignment 1.2 Listen to Teachers on Fire episode 277 Define Your Mission as an Educational Leader

Assignment 1.3 Listen to Teachers on Fire episode 197 Creation, Growth, and Collaboration

Assignment 1.4 Choose any Teachers on Fire episode that ignites your flame and listen to it.

Assignment 1.5 Create your own SketchNote, MindMap, or One-Pager that summarize the content of these four episodes in our 1st course focus. Post your document on our Focus #1 *Ignite the Flame* Padlet page.

Course Focus #2: Avoid the Burnout

Assignment 2.1 Listen to Teachers on Fire episode 294 Saving Our Teachers

Assignment 2.2 Listen to Teachers on Fire episode 263 Is It Time To Quit Teaching

Assignment 2.3 Listen to Teachers on Fire episode 188 Teacher Wellness & Self-Care Roundtable

Assignment 2.4 Choose any Teachers on Fire episode that inspires you and listen to it.

Assignment 2.5 Create your own SketchNote, MindMap, or One-Pager that summarize the content of these four episodes in our 1st course focus. Post your document on our Focus #2 *Avoid the Burnout* Padlet page.

Course Focus #3: Spark the Fire

Assignment 3.1 Listen to Teachers on Fire episode 276 Building Schools of Continuous Improvement

Assignment 3.2 Listen to Teachers on Fire episode 271 Lead an Assessment Revolution

Assignment 3.3 Listen to Teachers on Fire episode 268 How to Build a Legacy of Impact

Assignment 1.4 Choose any Teachers on Fire episode that sparks your fire and listen to it.

Assignment 1.5 Create your own SketchNote, MindMap, or One-Pager that summarize the content of these four episodes in our 1st course focus. Post your document on our Focus #3 *Spark the Fire* Padlet page.

Essay Exam

Complete 12 essay questions related to each of the 12 episodes listed above.