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Springboard's Newsletter for Teaching Partners/Artists!

TPA REMINDERS

Signature Program Training Dates

If you are interested in teaching a signature program, its not too late to sign up! Training sessions are coming up over the next two weeks. Please respond to this email if you are interested in participating.

Learning to Dance

Friday, January 15, 2016
1:00 - 3:00 pm

Read! Write! Act!

Friday, January 22, 2016
9:00 - 11:00 am

What are Signature Programs?

Created in partnership with UMSL, Springboard Signature Programs are uniquely created for Springboard. The programs provide authentic, real-world learning opportunities and encourages collaborative learning. [Click here for more information about Signature programs.](#)

A CHAT WITH ANTHONY

WE NEED YOUR HELP

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH SCHOOL EVALUATIONS:

Springboard needs your help to obtain program evaluations from school teachers. At the end of the school year, Springboard compiles a report of evaluations we have received and send the results to you. Some TPAs did not receive feedback from Springboard, because we did not receive survey responses from the schools. We need your help to collect information from the school teachers and administrators.

See suggestions below on how you can partner with Springboard to increase program evaluations.

- Remind Teachers to fill out the program evaluation.
- Provide teachers with the program evaluation survey link. Classroom teacher survey
--><https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GGP3T57>
- Provide teachers with a paper copy of the form. ([Link to paper copy of evaluation](#))

Your opinion is very important to us:

We need your feedback to understand how we are doing in the schools. Please follow the link to fill out a survey for the programs you have taught this school year.

-----> [Teacher Partner/Artist Online Survey](#)<-----

TEACHING PARTNERS/ARTISTS RESOURCES

Do you need a template for your invoices? Are you wondering how other Teaching Partners/Artists use technology in their programs? Springboard created a resource page for all Teaching Partners/Artists. The webpage is located on the springboard website under the "About" tab.



Springboard has undergone some major changes over the last few years. As a relatively new member to the Springboard team, I realize these changes, along with a national decline in arts programming, have been difficult for you, our Teaching Partners / Artists. Everyone at Springboard is working hard to promote arts-integrated programming in schools throughout the St. Louis area and highlight our incredibly talented and innovative Teaching Partners / Artists. We know how essential you are to our mission and appreciate all that you do. If you need anything, please do not hesitate to contact me.

What is your most memorable educational experience?

Traveling to Honduras on a mission trip in high school and living alongside families in poverty. I learned more about culture, economics, language, history, etc. than any book could have taught me.

What is your artistic expression?

I enjoy expressing myself through performance art. Even though I lack the talent, I have the passion.

Why do you work for Springboard?

I believe in helping student want to learn. Arts-integrated programming connects with students through a medium / "language" that they understand helps learning happen.

What resources do you use for your programs? Please share websites you use to stay up to date with your curriculum.

[Teaching Partners/Artists Resource Webpage](#)

The new webpage includes:

- Links to educational resources
- Invoicing and scheduling forms
- Helpful articles on increasing learning in your programs

FRESH IDEAS

What technology do you use in your programs?

Technology is the way of the future and the newest trend is the use of technology in the classroom. Students are very capable and eager to use their favorite app, social media site or gadget to complete assignments. Several classrooms have smart boards to replace chalkboards and laptops or iPads are available for each student.

How can you use technology in your programs?

The following articles discuss examples of how to use technology to enhance a lesson.

[5 Simple Tips For Teaching With Technology](#)

[How to use YouTube in your lessons](#)



TPA HIGHLIGHTS

Are you doing something great in the St. Louis community?

Let Springboard know and we may feature your performance, events, and achievements in the next newsletter!

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