



# Redefining Our Work as Educators

## Building Understanding and Developing Collaborative Support

*A Conference for Capital Region Educators!*

As NY state implements its educational agenda, including the APPR, Common Core Learning Standards, and assessments of student learning, teachers and administrators are facing unprecedented changes in the way they engage in their professional practice. Across our region, individuals and teams of educators are immersed in their inquiry into the pervasive questions:

- What exactly do these changes mean for the work that teachers and administrators do as they seek to improve student learning in their classrooms and districts?
- How are the Common Core and APPR redefining what it means to be a teacher and administrator?
- How will we identify and understand the new roles and skills teachers and administrators must develop in view of these mandates?
- What are some of the ways educators can respond to these changes to improve their practice?

The Capital District Writing Project, in collaboration with the Capital Area School Development Association, the Greater Capital Region Teacher Center, and the UAlbany School of Education, invites Capital Region educators to explore how changes in state education policy are redefining the nature of the work teachers and administrators do and changing the nature of the profession of education itself.

While all educators are welcome, we are especially encouraging teams of educators from schools and districts to attend to build collaborative understandings and strategies.

### The Program will feature:

Keynote address by Professor Robert Yagelski, director of CDWP and UAlbany Professor of English Education

A Special panel of teachers and administrators from Capital Region school districts who will share their experiences in redefining professional roles and building collaborative responses that grow student achievement

Multiple options of workshops with CDWP teachers who will demonstrate strategies, protocols, and models of how they are redefining their teacher practice in view of the Common Core Standards and student learning assessments

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## Logistics

**Date:** Saturday, March 31, 2012

**Location:** UAlbany, East Campus, Rensselaer, NY

**Time:** 8:30am–3pm

**Cost:** \$75 individuals, \$65 for members of teams of 3 or more (lunch included)

**Deadline:** March 23, 2012

**Register:**

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