# What is PBS TeacherLine New York?

PBS TeacherLine New York is a collaborative

effort among New York State's nine public television stations, PBS and the U.S. Department of Education. More than 90 comprehensive professional development courses are available to support teacher needs in the key curriculum areas of Mathematics, Science, Reading and Language Arts. There are also courses supporting other areas of professional development such as curriculum mapping, instructional strategies and technology integration. All coursework is in alignment with state and national learning standards and all courses are supported for use by the New York State Education Department. Each course is facilitated by an expert teacher holding a masters or other advanced degree who has been selected by their peers and trained in strategies that enrich and inspire the online learning experience.

Why should I take a PBS TeacherLine New York course?



how busy your schedule is and have d e s i g n e d these courses to fit into an e d u c a t o r's lifestyle. The classes have flexible hours

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and can be fit into your personal schedule. You can work on courses during your lunch break, in the evening or at 2 in the morning. With the recent state mandate of additional professional development hours for teachers, the TeacherLine program helps fulfill these requirements. You also have the option of receiving graduate credit for the classes at an affordable price.

## thinkbright.org/teacherline



#### **Registration Information**

Register anytime online at: thinkbright.org/teacherline

Courses are usually 6 weeks in duration

Course scheduling is very flexible and specific times can be arranged upon request

Graduate credit is available (contact us for details)

Special pricing arrangements are available. Your school or district may be eligible for aid to support your participation in PBS TeacherLine New York. Contact us for details.



For more information about courses contact: 1-716-845-7000 ext. 360 anowicki@wned.org

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## PBS TeacherLine NewYork

### Online Solutions for Teacher Professional Development



## Customized, Just-in-Time Course Delivery

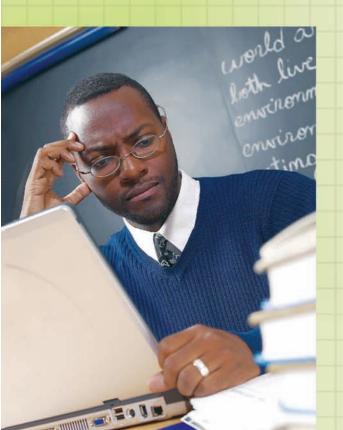
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## What is a PBS TeacherLine New York course like? What will I have to do?

Each PBS TeacherLine course is run over a six week period of time and takes between 15-30 hours to complete. The courses take place online with a facilitator in charge of the material and discussions. The class consists of 10 to 25 fellow educators from around your area, the state or even the nation.

At the beginning of each week, the facilitator posts an announcement detailing the assignments for the next seven days. You are asked to visit the site at the beginning, middle and end of each week to participate in assignments and group discussions.

The assignments may include reading an article, working on a unit plan or project, implementing a lesson in class or reflecting on your teaching and students' learning. Your course may also include a reflective journal or a final project that is e-mailed at the end of the six weeks.



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## **UNPARALLELED CHOICE**

The PBS TeacherLine Catalog contains over 90 courses and is continually being revised and expanded. These courses specifically address key areas of instruction across all grade levels and disciplines.

**Instructional Strategies:** The courses span a wide range of areas which can improve upon teacher understanding of classroom methods. Topics include differing learning styles, critical thinking skills, constructivism, assessment, meeting academic standards, inquiry-based learning and curriculum mapping.

<u>Mathematics</u>: Our largest selection of courses falls in the Math category with content covering patterns, linear functions, data analysis, geometry, probability and fractions, to name just a few. These courses are also geared toward specific grade levels so educators can focus on targeted student needs.

**<u>Reading/Language Arts:</u>** PBS TeacherLine understands the importance and emphasis of reading and writing in all grade levels. Many of our courses target the early grades when reading skills are first being taught. Subjects include phonics, spelling, vocabulary, word meaning and narrative comprehension. There are also courses which help you incorporate reading across the disciplines, especially Math and Science.

**Instructional Technology:** With the increase of computers and multi-media in the classroom, teachers need to be aware of and skilled in how best to infuse

technology into their lessons. Our courses help educators with researching on the internet, publishing online, evaluating and organizing internet resources, incorporating computers and other multi-media for use with your students.

**Science:** The newest content area for PBS TeacherLine is Science. Recently added courses include Inquiry and Critical Thinking in Middle School Science, Chemistry, Electricity and Magnetism, Forces and Motion, Aquatic Ecology, Rainforests, Cell Biology, Earth's History and the Solar System.

With PBS TeacherLine New York you can quickly and cost-effectively earn continuing education units, professional development points and graduate credits.

PBS TeacherLine New York offers customized, just-intime professional development opportunities for individual teachers or groups of educators in a district or region. For more information about PBS TeacherLine New York or any of these courses, please call (716) 845-7000 ext. 360. For information on sales call (518) 275-0936.

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