

## You Are Ready: Leadership on All Levels

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### **Course Description**

This course will examine the leadership principles and mindsets that are often pulled into focus for school and district leaders. Yet, as leaders, we know that we can't lead school buildings and districts alone. During this course, using Voxer, participants will dig deep into the evaluation of how we can develop all staff members as leaders within an organization. We will dive into building culture and relationships, establishing a true presence over just visibility, ensuring our students' stories are transparent to our community, forging trust with all members of the school community, and how we can develop a classroom culture that bleeds into every aspect of the school building. Throughout the course, we will read and examine the work of current thinkers such as Tom Murray, Jimmy Casas, Joe Sanfelippo, George Couros, and others. Perhaps this is the first course of your school leadership journey.

This course will lead participants through a journey of reflection on their practice and see how their daily work impacts not only the leadership of their students but also the mentoring of leaders throughout the building. The topics of exploration listed below will engage participants in an honest discussion of the practice they see, hear, and live each and every day. Through written reflections, digital collaborative posts, daily Voxer discussions, and slide presentations, participants will demonstrate their learning and insight.

Please note: This course will be offered online through Canvas, Molloy College's learning management system. In order to participate in this course, you will need to become familiar with using Canvas to demonstrate your learning. Since this course will be taught through an online format, we will use Voxer to hold many asynchronous conversations.

- Log into [Canvas](#) using your Molloy email username and password
- Click the "Courses" tab (top left-hand side of the page) & select: "Google Certified Educator-Level 1 Training Course" in the drop-down menu
- Log-in prior to the course just to ensure that your account has been set up properly!
- Take the [Canvas Student Tour](#) or visit the [Canvas Student Quickstart Page](#)

### **Technical Support**

- *Canvas Support* is accessed through the HELP feature in the lower left hand corner of Canvas. You can either call Canvas at (844) 408-6455 or use the online chat feature. Both services are available 24 hours - 7 days a week.
- *Technology Support Services* is located in Kellenberg 022 and can be reached via phone: (516) 323-4800, via email: [helpdesk@molloy.edu](mailto:helpdesk@molloy.edu) or via Twitter: @molloyTSS
- *The Information Commons* is located on the second floor of Public Square and can be reached at (516) 323-4817 or via email: [slewis2@molloy.edu](mailto:slewis2@molloy.edu). Check their website for hours: <http://www.molloy.edu/tss>

## Learning Topics/Assignments

### **Topics of Exploration**

- Teacher Leadership: Being Present and Engaged vs. *Just* Visible
- Climate is Not Enough: Building Culture Inside and Outside of the Classroom
- Expecting Excellence of All Staff Members
- A Champion for Students: Understanding Your Learners' Stories
- Become a Creator of Hope
- Relationship Building with Intentionality
- Flattening the Walls of Your School: The Power of School Branding
- Digital Leadership and Teacher Mentors
- Student Voice and Choice in the Classroom Leads to a Student-Centered School District
- Staff Voice: Passion Projects for Staff Members
- Maintaining Happiness at Work: Do You "Love it Here?"