



Professional Learning



# Help Your Members **Grow** with AFT Professional Learning

At the AFT, we know that educators and school staff are the backbone of our society. That's why we offer a wide range of programs designed to empower, educate, and support you and your members in every aspect of your professional journey.

## **AFT Professional Learning Program**

We know that in the changing landscape of education settings, educators need diverse strategies to meet students where they are. With more than 50 offerings, this program offers a variety of professional learning opportunities to meet varying teaching and learning needs.

### **What You Can Do:**

Any course can be customized to meet your unique needs. Visit [aftpd.org](https://aftpd.org) or contact Lisa Dickinson at [edickinson@aft.org](mailto:edickinson@aft.org) to get started in your local.

## **TEACH Conference**

Join us for groundbreaking workshops and seminars that provide innovative teaching strategies and a chance to network with educators nationwide. This conference is an excellent way to engage newer members, and to support them in improving their practice and in becoming activists and leaders in their schools, communities and unions.

### **What You Can Do:**

Consider sending a delegation to TEACH 2027, July 16-18 in Washington, D.C.! Contact [teach@aft.org](mailto:teach@aft.org) for more information.

## **Teacher Leaders Program**

This program gives educators the structure and support to turn commitment into action. Participants focus on the priorities that matter most—building confident readers through evidence-based literacy instruction, supporting children's mental health and well-being, and expanding community schools as a proven strategy for student success and family engagement.

### **What You Can Do:**

Amplify your members' voices in educational policy and practice. Contact Lisa Dickinson at [edickinson@aft.org](mailto:edickinson@aft.org) to apply for the next cycle.

## Share My Lesson

The AFT's free lesson-sharing website provides support for anyone who works with students as well as a place to collaborate on new ideas and best practices to enhance the profession and the larger community. With more than 2 million members, Share My Lesson is where teachers, parents and school staff can find thousands of lesson plans, activities and professional development webinars that span the curriculum, content areas and key issues schools are facing.

## AFT Center for School Improvement Leadership Institute

Through intensive work sessions, teams strengthen their collective leadership capacity and learn how to lead and facilitate school transformation that results in improved student performance and improved teaching and learning environments.

## National Academy for AI Instruction

As AI rapidly transforms classrooms and schools, educators deserve to be in the driver's seat—not left behind. This groundbreaking initiative, developed in partnership with Microsoft, OpenAI, Anthropic, and the United Federation of Teachers, provides free AI training and curriculum for all K-12 educators. Through scalable training modules, in-person and virtual learning environments, and credential pathways, the program empowers a diverse range of educators to become confident leaders in AI instruction.

### What You Can Do:

Collaborate with us to customize content for your members and offer approved credit for our PD webinars. Contact Natalie Dean at [ndean@aft.org](mailto:ndean@aft.org) for more information.

### What You Can Do:

Consider sending a team to the next CSI Institute! Contact Giselle Lundy-Ponce at [glundypo@aft.org](mailto:glundypo@aft.org) for more information.

### What You Can Do:

Encourage your members to explore free online courses—eligible for continuing education credit and professional development points. Contact Rob Weil at [rweil@aft.org](mailto:rweil@aft.org) or go to [aiinstruction.aft.org](http://aiinstruction.aft.org) for more information.