



# Wyoming Writing Project 2018 Invitational Leadership Institute



## What is the Invitational Leadership Institute?

- The Invitational Leadership Institute (ILI) is open to all K-12 teachers in all content areas
- It is designed for an intensive professional development experience in writing and writing instruction
- Participants travel around the state to deliver PD to colleagues while closely examining their own writing and writing instruction in their classrooms
- It is a 3-week hybrid experience – both online and face-to-face instruction and collaboration.

## 2018 ILI Dates:

June 8-9 – Casper, Pre-Institute  
July 12-13 – Gillette  
July 19-20 – Evanston  
July 25-27 – Powell  
August 8 – Post Institute

## Teacher Consultant Feedback from the 2017 ILI

With the rekindling of my love for writing I am much more excited to use it in my time with students, to show them that even when I wasn't thinking of myself as a writer, I am! I have so many more ideas of how to get kids writing, and hopefully excited about it!

I am more excited to teach writing because I am a writer!

Now that I am engaged in writing and feeling more comfortable with my own writing processes, I am far more confident and willing to teach writing with the understanding that just as I make mistakes, struggle to find the right words, and publish my thoughts, so do my students. I am passionate about making writing a habit for students so that they, too, can experience all that it has to offer.

## Wyoming Writing Project

Our mission is to support teachers as writers and teachers of writing. One way we support teachers is by hosting an Invitational Leadership Institute every summer. This summer, we invite you to join us for an intensive writing professional development that will take place online and in-person throughout the summer and deepen your understanding of yourself as a teacher of writing and as a writer. We will first meet in person in Casper to build community through personal and professional writing along with refining the topic for your inquiry project. Follow up conversations will occur online until we meet again in Gillette, Evanston, and Powell. The structure for our in-person meetings are as follows: Wednesday travel; Thursday a day for writing, inquiry research, and professional development preparation; Friday half day professional development and an afternoon community writing marathon; Saturday travel. While delivering professional development might be new to teachers joining us, rest assured that the sessions will be approximately 30 minutes, be interactive and supported, and are based on areas of your expertise. Our final online meeting includes the submission of your inquiry project and a final professional piece. We invite teachers to share their inquiry projects at the Fall Literacy Conference hosted by the Literacy Research Center and Clinic. Stipends may be available for teachers who successfully complete the Invitational Leadership Institute.

**3 graduate credits are available that may apply to a Master's degree. 3 PTSB credits are anticipated.**

**2018 Invitational Leadership  
Institute application**  
<https://goo.gl/aP3tTp>

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