

# **Building the Storyline**

A Focus Workshop for grades 3-5 educators

An Approved Course for MA DESE's Accelerating Science: Open Access Professional Learning



Join the Wade Institute for Science Education for a professional learning experience and refresh your curriculum with storyline teaching and phenomena!

March 6th & 7th at New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill in Boylston, MA

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### **Dates and Times:**

Monday, March 6th and Tuesday, March 7th, 2023 (8:30 AM - 3:30 PM ET)

#### **Location:**

New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill, Boylston, MA

#### Cost:

FREE for eligible MA educators that qualify through MA DESE's OAPL program and includes \$150 substitute pay.

\$200 per educator from non-qualifying schools.

# PDPs and Optional Graduate Credit:

14 PDPs available without graduate credit. 22.5 PDPs and 1 graduate credit from Cambridge College available for \$75. Additional work is required for graduate credit.

# Collaborating Partner:

New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

## To Register:

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Whether you're a botany expert or are new to the world of plants, refresh your curriculum with storyline teaching and phenomena!

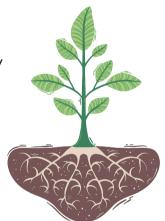
In this workshop, you'll follow a storyline unit focused on plant parts, basic needs, life cycles, adaptations, and more. You'll engage in a few lessons from the unit as a learner, including the anchoring phenomenon routine and student-driven inquiry investigations, then reflect on those experiences as a teacher. During the workshop, you will learn how to construct a storyline unit, incorporate relevant phenomena, and utilize best practices for DEI in the STEM classroom, including establishing classroom norms and processes that value all student resources.



You will leave the program with an outline of a storyline unit, inquiry investigations to use in your classroom, and resources for developing your own storyline unit using culturally relevant phenomena.

### Using the storyline approach, we will:

- Explore an anchoring phenomenon that sparks wonder at the start of the unit
- Identify phenomena relevant to your local community
- Dissect a flower and learn about the reproductive parts of a plant
- Investigate plant adaptations specialized for life in different environments
- Utilize a nature journal to document our learning
- Observe plants and pollinators in some of the New England Botanic Garden's 19 formal gardens
- Participate in place-based learning experiences
- Complete a culminating activity for the unit



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Visit our website at www.wadeinstitutema.org/oapl
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