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| **Office of Language Acquisition** | |
| **2023-2024 Professional Learning Calendar** | |
| *Please note that these dates are for planning purposes but may be subject to change. OLA will notify you of changes to these projected dates.* | |

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| August 2023 Calendar | Until 8/31  Tues, 8/15  Wed, 8/16  Mon, 8/21  Thu, 8/24 | **2022-23 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal)  **Policy Update Webinar** (Zoom, 10:00-11:00)  **Initial Identification Webinar** (Zoom, 11:30-12:30)  **New ELE and World Language Directors’ Induction** (Zoom, 9:30-3:30)  **OLA Grants Webinar** (Zoom, 10:00-11:00)  **Creating a Welcoming Environment for Newcomer Students & Families** (Zoom, 2:00-3) |
| September 2023 Calendar | Thu, 9/28  **Ongoing** | **Welcoming Newcomers, Part 2 (Enrollment)** (Zoom, 3:00-4:00)  **2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal) |
| October 2023 Calendar | Wed, 10/11  Thu, 10/12  Mon, 10/30  Tues, 10/31  **Ongoing** | **SLIFE Community of Practice (CoP) Kickoff** (Zoom, 11:00-12:00)  **Tiered Focused Monitoring (TFM) Review Orientation for 2023-24 Districts** (Zoom)  **OLA Advisory Meeting #1A** (Zoom, 3:30-4:30pm)  **OLA Advisory Meeting #1B** (Zoom, 9:30-10:30am)  **2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal) |
| November 2023 Calendar | Wed, 11/1  Wed, 11/8  Wed, 11/15  Wed, 11/29  **Ongoing** | **ALL NETWORK MEETING** (Zoom, 9:30-3:00)  **WIDA: Scaffolding Learning Through Language** (webinar 1, 3:30-5:00)  **WIDA: Scaffolding Learning Through Language** (webinar 2, 3:30-5:00)  **WIDA: Scaffolding Learning Through Language** (webinar 3, 3:30-5:00)  **WIDA Español: Attending to Equity through Bilingual Instruction** (webinar 1, 3:30-4:30)  **2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal) |
| December 2023 Calendar | Tues, 12/5  Wed, 12/6  Thurs, 12/7  Wed, 12/13  Thurs, 12/14  Tues, 12/19  **Ongoing** | **OLA Advisory Meeting #2A** (Zoom, 3:30-4:30pm)  **OLA Advisory Meeting #2B** (Zoom, 9:30-10:30am)  **WIDA Español: Attending to Equity through Bilingual Instruction** (webinar 2, 3:30-4:30)  **WIDA: Planning with the WIDA ELD Standards Framework** (webinar 1, 3:30-5:00)  **WIDA Español: Attending to Equity through Bilingual Instruction** (webinar 3, 3:30-4:30)  **WIDA: Planning with the WIDA ELD Standards Framework** (webinar 2, 3:30-5:00)  **SLIFE Community of Practice (CoP)** (Zoom, 9:00-11:00)  **2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal) |
| January 2023 Calendar | Thu, 1/11  Thu, 1/18  Thu, 1/25  Wed, 1/24  **Ongoing** | **WIDA: Scaffolding Learning through Language** (webinar 1, 3:30-5:00)  **WIDA: Scaffolding Learning through Language** (webinar 2, 3:30-5:00)  **WIDA: Scaffolding Learning through Language** (webinar 3, 3:30-5:00)  **Tiered Focused Monitoring (TFM) Training for 2024-25 districts (webinar 10:00-11:30)**  **2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal) |
| February 2024 Calendar | 2/5 - 5/17  Wed, 2/14  Mon, 2/26  Wed, 2/28  Thurs, 2/29  **Ongoing** | **WIDA: Considerations when Educating Bilingual Learners with Identified Learning Disabilities** (15-week eWorkshop)  **ALL NETWORK MEETING** (Zoom, 9:30-3:00)  **WIDA: Bringing Language into Focus** (webinar 1, 4:00-5:30)  **CIMP Webinar for 2023-24 TFM districts** (Zoom, 10:00-12:00)  **OLA Advisory Meeting #3A** (Zoom, 3:30-4:30pm)  **OLA Advisory Meeting #3B** (Zoom, 9:30-10:30am)  **2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal) |
| March 2024 Calendar | Mon, 3/11  Tues, 3/19  Thu, 3/28  **Ongoing** | **WIDA: Bringing Language into Focus** (webinar 2, 4:00-5:30)  **SLIFE Community of Practice (CoP)** (Zoom, 9:00-11:00)  **WIDA: Scaffolding Learning through Language** (webinar 1, 3:30-5:00)  **2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal)  **WIDA: Considerations when Educating Bilingual Learners with Identified Learning Disabilities** (15-week eWorkshop) |
| April 2024 Calendar | Wed, 4/3  Wed, 4/10  Thu, 4/4  Thu, 4/11  Fri, 4/12  Wed, 4/24  **Ongoing** | **WIDA: Teacher Leaders Planning with the ELD Standards Framework** (webinar, 3:30-4:30)  **WIDA: Teacher Leaders Planning with the ELD Standards Framework** (in person, 8:30-3:30)  **WIDA: Scaffolding Learning through Language** (webinar 2, 3:30-5:00)  **WIDA: Scaffolding Learning through Language** (webinar 3, 3:30-5:00)  **OLA Advisory Meeting #4A** (Zoom, 3:30-4:30pm)  **OLA Advisory Meeting #4B** (Zoom, 9:30-10:30am)  **ALL NETWORK MEETING** (Zoom, 9:30-3:00)  **2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal)  **WIDA: Considerations when Educating Bilingual Learners with Identified Learning Disabilities** (15-week eWorkshop) |
| May 2024 Calendar | Tue, 5/21  **Ongoing** | **SLIFE Community of Practice (CoP)** (Zoom, 9:00-11:00)  **2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal)  **WIDA: Considerations when Educating Bilingual Learners with Identified Learning Disabilities** (15-week eWorkshop) |
| June 2024 Calendar | Thurs, 6/6  Fri, 6/7  Thurs, 6/13  Tue, 6/18  **Ongoing** | **OLA Advisory Meeting #5A** (Zoom, 3:30-4:30pm)  **OLA Advisory Meeting #5B** (Zoom, 9:30-10:30am)  **OLA Leadership Network Meeting** (in-person, 8:30-3:00)  **SLIFE Community of Practice (CoP)** (Zoom, 9:00-11:00)  **2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops available** (WIDA portal) |

**NOTE:** 2023-24 WIDA self-paced workshops are available through August 31, 2024, to all MA educators via the WIDA portal. These are a great resource for summer professional development.

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