



Growth Mindset Micro-credential Update

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I want to take a moment to thank all of the teachers who have emailed, asked questions and signed-up for the Growth Mindset Micro-credential Pilot Program. The response from educators around the state has been incredible. As teachers develop the knowledge and skills necessary to apply a growth mindset in their classrooms and ensure that Florida students develop that same mindset, we are confident that more students will have the opportunity to reach their fullest potential.

I am excited to share a few initial teacher insights from the program. Their commitment to learning and willingness to share so openly with the on-line community is definitely inspiring!

Jessica Clark, a science teacher from F.W. Springstead High School in Hernando County wrote:

“Hi all, I've previously described myself as a professional development junkie, so I thought I had a growth mindset. I recently read Carol Dweck's book, *Mindset*, and was somewhat surprised that I have a fixed mindset in certain areas. Since reading this, I have been much more cognizant of exactly how I offer praise and feedback for my students and my own children, to foster a growth mindset rather than a fixed mindset.”

Joline Gugliemino, a social studies teacher from Shoal River Middle School in Okaloosa County shared:

“Hello all from NW Florida. I am excited to be here and learn more as I have really been observing my students and noticing that many don't like to speak up in class as they are afraid to be wrong. I brought it up in class and almost all said they 'don't like to be wrong even though it is not a big deal in this classroom.' I need to learn more to help them learn more!”

We have currently exceeded our capacity for the pilot program. Additional interested teachers will be placed on a waiting list. The waiting list sign-up sheet can be accessed [here](#).

All the Best,

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Featured Tweet



Educator Opportunities

2016 Society of Health and Physical Educators (SHAPE) Florida Convention

The 2016 SHAPE Florida Convention 'Shaping Our Future' will be held November 3-5, 2016, in Kissimmee, Florida. This annual convention is planned for educators, administrators, supervisors, and leaders in the areas of Physical Education and Health Education.

You can find complete conference details [here](#).

Classroom Connections

2015 Women's History Essay Contest

The Florida Commission on the Status of Women is seeking entries for the 2016 Women's History Essay Contest from students in grades 6–9. The Commission invites students to participate in order to gain a more relevant appreciation of women's roles in history, and engage young minds of women's roles in the future. Winning essayists will be awarded prizes and recognized at a special ceremony at the 4th Annual Florida Women's Day at the Capitol in Tallahassee in March 2017. The deadline for entry is December 2, 2016.

For more information regarding the 2016 Women's History Contest, visit [here](#).