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New specialized trainings

Responding to requests from our CFG® community and other collaborators, NSRF is creating some new training opportunities on specialized topics.

In addition to the long-available Three-Day Critical Friends Group Work for Administrators trainings and the On-Site Experienced Coaches' Trainings (which are always personalized to the needs of trained CFG coaches at a given school or district), we have three exciting new offerings in the works!

First, we're now partnering with clinical psychologist David Gleason, PsyD, on "Now What?" workshops for leaders of highly competitive schools. (See page 3-5 for details.)

We're also developing brand-new Peer Critical Friends Coaching™ online training, which will pair educators to cultivate best practices and promote continuous improvement. This digital offering should be available in the Spring with "open" enrollment for participants anywhere in the world. Click a link on page 5 to be added to our email list to stay informed.

Next in line is Belonging Mindset on-site training, which will focus upon improving students' and teachers' experiences in classrooms. NSRF Director Michele Mattoon recently gave a TEDx talk on the power of Belonging Mindset in group works. When the video is available we'll have a link on the NSRF website and in our social media.

If you're interested in anything here, please let us know. Some of these trainings will provide new certifications and all will provide a deeper reach into important topics, leveraging the wisdom and experience of your staff. We want to pilot each of these programs with care, ideally with a group of people who are friends of Critical Friends Group® work.

Have you visited our new website?

This spring we launched a redesigned and improved NSRFharmony.org, and in case you missed our previous issue with details, here's a quick recap. If you have trouble logging in or finding what you need, call 812-330-2702 or email nsrf@nsrfharmony.org.

Requires password reset—check your spam filter

We could not import passwords from our previous website database, so the first time you login using your existing username or email address, you will need to set your password. You should have received an email with a password reset link—***if you didn't see it, please search your mail for "@nsrfharmony.org" and then please "whitelist" us by indicating that we are "not spam."***

New Protocol Matching Tool

For years, CFG coaches have requested help matching their work with possible protocols or activities, and, tadah, here it is! The PMT is only available for paying members, and as previously, $25 members have access to a more limited library of protocols than $75 certified coach members. ***New: you are not required to purchase a membership, but if you do not, you will need to register a free account to see the original materials.***

Help us by pointing out "potholes"

As you run into the inevitable "hazards" of a new website, please have patience and tell us, so we can address them ASAP. We hope to keep you all moving forward on your #CFGwork path as smoothly as possible.

Once we get all the problems solved, more upgrades are coming soon. If you have ideas, requests, or comments about the new site, please email nsrf@nsrfharmony.org.

Ready to sharpen your facilitation skills?

Become a certified CFG® Coach!

Bloomington, IN:

Feb 4-6, 2019*

These are the first three days of our standard 5-day training, with the last two days to be determined by the participants, usually in March or April. If the group-selected dates do not work for your schedule, you will have a credit with NSRF to complete later with another cohort. Total cost for five days: $850 (link)

If one or more colleagues or friends joins you in Bloomington in February or July, you each receive a $50 discount!

July 8-12, 2019

$850 for five days of training (same as above, but consecutive days) (link)

Open Training benefits: Each participant receives a copy of the Critical Friends Group Coaches' Handbook, AND a 12-pack of Collaborative Cue Cards

Rave reviews from participants:

"Best PD EVER!" *~ A new coach in North Carolina*

"This training introduced me to a supportive group of colleagues. I did not have this before this training." ~ A new coach in Toronto

"I learned that the protocols are really useful in bringing out our 'best selves.' They drew me into the activities in a way that nudged me towards being fully present. I developed a greater awareness of the effect of my behavior and how it might benefit or hurt the rest of the participants." ~ A new coach in Michigan

To enroll or learn more, click through to the NSRF website or call 812-330-2702!