

MATELA's Mission

To support & promote the teaching & learning of English language arts K-16.



MATELA Wonders. . .

Do you ever feel isolated as an English teacher?

Are you eager to share and learn with teachers across the state?

Are you looking for ways to celebrate your students as readers and writers?

Network with MATELA!



Do you feel you need support?

Can you imagine being challenged when teaching a novel?

MATELA provides Advocacy!



Do you want to share what works with students?

Do you need new ideas to teach the standards?

Would others benefit from learning about your most successful teaching practices?

MATELA sponsors Professional Development!



For more information or to become involved with MATELA projects, visit our website at <http://www.matelamt.com/>



**Promoting literacy
for all learners:
Advocating,
Educating,
Networking**

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(NCTE)
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Membership Benefits

- MATELA offers a network of professionals who collaborate on issues that matter to teachers and students.
- MATELA represents teachers at the state level, sending representatives to the Board of Public Education to testify on positions that include **Significant Writing** programs and **Teacher Load** in ELA classes.
- MATELA provides personal support to teachers & schools that face censorship challenges. We offer information to assist in selecting materials & for preparing rationales, as well as onsite support.
- MATELA coordinates ELA curriculum sectionals for the **MEA/MFT Educators' Conference**, inviting workshop presenters & booking inspirational keynote speakers and authors.
- MATELA responds to critical issues such as **Common Core College & Career Readiness Standards**, & other concerns tied to federal funds.
- MATELA publishes the *Montana English Journal* and *Update*, providing classroom ideas, articles, and poems from its members, and reports about happenings in the state and at the national level.
- MATELA supports programs to advance writing competency for college, career, and community readiness.

MATELA supports the **Indian Education for All** mandate, providing teaching units that incorporate poetry, non-fiction, novels, and films by Indian authors and filmmakers.

MATELA contributes funds to *Signatures from Big Sky*, Montana's literary art magazine that publishes K-12 student art & writing.



MATELA offers scholarships & awards to English teachers & departments:

- ❖ **Professional Development Scholarships** to support members seeking advanced training from programs such as National Writing Project, NCTE, & IEFA events;
- ❖ **Local Membership Function Grants** for specialized workshops targeting language arts teachers & local recruitment efforts; and
- ❖ **Distinguished Educator Award** to recognize contributions of deserving colleagues.



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*With your knowledge, experience,
and commitment, together we can
make a difference for the future of
English Language Arts
education in Montana.*

