

# School Library System

## Professional Development Workshops at the Erie Canal Museum

318 Erie Blvd E, Syracuse, NY 13202

**No fee to participate!**

2017 marks the 200th anniversary of the year construction began on New York's Erie Canal. When the Canal was completed in 1825, this "artificial river" stretched across Upstate New York from Albany to Buffalo. Towns and cities sprang up as it was built. New York City became the biggest port in the country, and people used the waterway to migrate westward. The Canal had a profound economic, social and political impact on our country, and its influence continues today.



The Erie Canal Museum, in collaboration with OCM BOCES, is offering three free professional development workshop for teams of teachers and librarians at its location in downtown Syracuse. The full-day workshops focus on the Canal's origins and its impact on Central New York, New York State and the U.S., past and present.

### Participants will:

- Earn 6 CTLE hours.
- Learn about the Erie Canal's history and its lasting impact on Central New York and the United States.
- Add lessons that will strengthen instruction of history and other subjects.
- Receive resources and ideas for unit design and inquiry writing.
- Take a guided tour of the Museum, 1850 National Register Weighlock Building and nearby heritage areas.
- Develop and share cross-curricular activities.

### Who should attend:

Teams of teachers and librarians are encouraged to participate in this workshop.

### Presenters:

Chestnut Hill Middle School social studies teacher Martha Lawson; Erie Canal Museum staff

## REGISTER

The workshop will be offered three times with each workshop limited to just 16 participants so be sure to register soon!

October 17, 2017: <http://bit.ly/2xXbNbS>

March 27, 2018: <http://bit.ly/2fgVwmE>

May 15, 2018: <http://bit.ly/2fGnskj>

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