

## Sharing Practices to Help Students Dream Big: A Workshop for Imagining Possibilities in Literacy Curricula

**Thursday, Nov 20, 2025 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM MST**

Location: Mile High Ballroom 4A/4B, Colorado Convention Center

Room Level: Ballroom Level

Session Code 2: W.17

### **Description**

This workshop considers possibilities for expanding curricula to foster ownership and choice. A panel of K–12 teachers will share how they incorporate authentic reading and writing that align with curriculum expectations and are responsive to students’ identities, interests, and needs. We’ll reimagine instructional possibilities to support student-driven learning and examinations of the world.

## Dream Boldly of an Un-Grading System

**Thursday, Nov 20, 2025 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM MST**

Location: Mile High Ballroom 4C/4D, Colorado Convention Center

Room Level: Ballroom Level

Session Code 2: W.6

### **Description**

Teacher-author Sarah Zerwin and five teachers from across the country will outline steps to move students toward the 22nd-century skills of self-driven learning and growth beyond numbers in the gradebook. This workshop provides opportunities to begin the process of boldly decentering the grade—and themselves—in the classroom and offers specific, practical steps to implement right away.

## Denver Writing Marathon

**Thursday, Nov 20, 2025 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM MST**

Location: Room 304, Colorado Convention Center

Room Level: Meeting Room Level

Session Code 2: W.5

### Description

After hearing a brief introduction from the facilitator, who founded the New Orleans Writing Marathon thirty years ago and has led writing marathons across the country, participants take part in a three-hour writing marathon—writing and sharing their work in small groups around Denver before returning to the meeting room to reflect on the process as a community of teacher-writers.

## NWP@NCTE Day of Writing

**Thursday, Nov 20, 2025 1:00P M – 3:45 PM MST**

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Room Level:\*\*\*

Session Code: \*\*\*

### Description

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## Dreams beyond Classrooms: Building Partnerships to Support Student Literacy In and Out of School

**Friday, Nov 21, 2025 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM MST**

Location: Room 103, Colorado Convention Center

Room Level: Meeting Room Level

Session Code 2: F.35

### Description

In this session, participants will engage with museum educators, youth, and teachers on how to build community partnerships to support youth literacies. The session will introduce two youth-curated museum exhibits, then support teachers with strategies to build and fund community partnerships for authentic literacy engagement in and out of classrooms.

## Dreaming New Futures: Supporting Youth and Educator Literacy and Artmaking for a Youth-Curated Exhibition

**Friday, Nov 21, 2025 3:30 PM – 4:45 PM MST**

Location: Room 706, Colorado Convention Center

Room Level: Meeting Room Level

Session Code 2: FS-J.01

### **Description**

Participants are invited to create art for a youth-curated art exhibition at Denver's Museo de las Américas with the Denver Writing Project. The exhibit focuses on illuminating stories historically missing from public space. Participants will experience an adaptable equity-driven K-12 artmaking and literacy lesson, so their students also have an opportunity to participate in the exhibition

## Young Writers' Bold Dreams: Sharing Our Writing at NCTE

**Saturday, Nov 22, 2025 1:15 PM – 2:30 PM MST**

Location: Mile High Ballroom 3C, Colorado Convention Center

Room Level: Ballroom Level

Session Code 2: N.51

### **Description**

The Denver Writing Project hosts a panel of 10 young writers from across Colorado to share the ways they use writing to dream boldly and creatively about their futures. In this session, young writers will read from a selection of their writing, participate in a panel discussion about writing in and out of school, and lead participants in some of their favorite writing practices.

## Writing for Resistance: Dreaming of New Futures with Our Students

**Saturday, Nov 22, 2025 4:15 PM – 5:30 PM MST**

Location: Mile High Ballroom 3C, Colorado Convention Center

Room Level: Ballroom Level

Session Code 2: P.44

### **Description**

The Denver Writing Project explores how teachers leverage writing to dream of new futures with their students. Participants will engage in writing with slam poet Jovan Mays, hear from young people writing to resist, and share their own classroom practices. The session will culminate with a conversation with Nicole Mirra about dreaming toward new futures as a practice of writing in classrooms.

## National Writing Project Brunch (NWPB)

**Sunday, Nov 23, 2025 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM MST**

Location: Four Seasons 4 Ballroom, Colorado Convention Center

Room Level: Ballroom Level

Session Code 2: NWP-BR

### **Description**

Multigenerational Community Writing with Slam Poet Jovan Mays