



## **The Private Schools for Public Education Initiative**

The pandemic and the Black Lives Matter movement have highlighted profound inequities in education. The majority of the city's public school students are children of color. Many are poor. Education is their way out. They need their teachers in top form, but their teachers are currently under extreme stress and underprepared for the challenges of remote teaching.

At the same time, the city has slashed professional development funds.

**The Private Schools for Public Education Initiative** is an effort to support public school teachers by providing them the same access to The Academy's extraordinary programs as elite private schools.

The Academy is one of the few organizations that brings private, public, and charter school teachers together. The teachers we identify are the best of the best, wherever they teach. This initiative allows us to continue to offer exceptional programs to support our great city's wonderful teachers.

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### **Gratitude from Teachers**

"As a teacher at a private school, I am grateful for the opportunity to work with such impressive teachers from public and charter schools, teachers I would never otherwise meet. What an inspiration!"

"It was an honor to be in the presence of such thoughtful and inquisitive minds during the online master class with Billy Collins. I miss the intellectual and creative give and take I get at work and in the classroom, so this opportunity was a much longed-for experience."

"Exhilarating, astonishing. A much needed electrical charge."

"The What's Working session was extremely helpful—well paced, well-organized, with lots of great info. I appreciated the variety of ideas represented in just an hour!"

## **Membership Fees & Benefits**

### **Sustaining Partner Level**

\$10,000 for large private schools with enrollments greater than 800 and for medium-sized schools with large endowments.

- \$2,500 provides access to programs for the private school's teachers.
- \$7,500 provides equitable access for public school teachers.

\$7,500 for medium-sized private schools with enrollments of 500-800 and for small schools with large endowments.

- \$2,000 provides access to programs for the private school's teachers.
- \$5,500 provides equitable access for public school teachers.

\$3,500 for small private schools with fewer than 500 students.

- \$1,000 provides access to programs for the private school's teachers.
- \$2,500 provides equitable access for public school teachers.

### **Benefits**

- Sustaining Partners are invited to help shape our public relations announcement of this important initiative in press releases, social media, etc. Sustaining Partners will also be listed on our website, on social media, and in press releases.
- Master Classes: Our signature, always-inspiring programs.
  - Reduced tuition for online mini master classes (\$100, a \$250 discount).
  - Reduced tuition for in-person master classes (\$500, a \$500 discount).
  - Priority given over teachers from private schools at the levels below, but acceptance is not guaranteed.
- What's Working Series: Professional Learning Communities. This new series brings exceptional teachers of the same subject together to share lessons and approaches to remote and hybrid teaching.
  - Reduced tuition (\$250 for four sessions, a \$750 discount).
  - Priority given over teachers from private schools at the levels below, but acceptance is not guaranteed.
- Special Events
  - Priority access for lectures, readings, performances, etc.
- Academy Community
  - Supports The Academy's many book groups, writing groups, softball team, chorus, and other activities.

## **Membership Fees & Benefits (cont.)**

### **Contributor Level**

\$2,500 to support our free special events. (For private schools that want their teachers to have priority access to our programs but aren't able to join our Private Schools for Public Education Initiative.)

### **Benefits**

- **Master Classes**
  - Reduced tuition for online mini master classes (\$200, a \$150 discount).
  - Reduced tuition for in-person master classes (\$750, a \$250 discount).
  - Priority access over non-member private schools (acceptance not guaranteed).
  
- **What's Working Series: Professional Learning Communities.** This new series brings exceptional teachers of the same subject together to share lessons and approaches to remote and hybrid teaching.
  - Reduced tuition for a four-session series (\$750, a \$250 discount).
  - Priority access over non-member private schools (acceptance not guaranteed).
  
- **Special Events**
  - Access for lectures, readings, performances, etc., but preference not given.
  
- **Academy Community**
  - Supports The Academy's book groups, writing groups, softball team, chorus, and other activities.

### **Non-Member Private Schools**

We welcome nominations and applications of teachers in non-member private schools, but class-size is limited and private schools at the Sustaining Partner and Contributor levels are given preference. Non-member schools pay the full \$350 tuition for online master classes, \$1000 for in-person master classes, and \$1000 for each four-session program in our What's Working Series: Professional Learning Communities.

## Membership Benefits at a Glance

	Sustaining Partner	Contributor
Equal access for public school teachers	Support provided.	—
Recognition	Listed in press releases, in social media, and our website in relation to the Private Schools for Public Education Initiative.	—
Master classes*	Priority given over Contributor and non-member private school applicants.	Access.
	\$100 tuition for online mini master classes (\$250 discount).	\$200 tuition for online mini master classes (\$150 discount).
	\$500 tuition for in-person master classes (\$500 discount).	\$750 tuition for in-person master classes (\$250 discount).
What's Working: Professional Learning Communities*	Priority given over other Contributor and non-member private school applicants.	Priority given over non-member private school applicants.
	\$250 for four-session programs (\$750 discount).	\$750 tuition for four sessions (\$250 discount).
Special Events	Priority access to lectures, readings, performances.	Access to lectures, readings, performances.
Community	Supports our book groups, writing groups, softball team, and chorus.	Supports our book groups, writing groups, softball team, and chorus.
Annual Contribution	\$3,500 - \$10,000	\$2,500

\*Applicants from member private schools get preference over non-member private schools, but acceptance is not guaranteed.