



FUND FOR TEACHERS 2024 Innovation Circle Topics

Innovation Circles are virtual opportunities for Fund for Teachers Fellows to deepen learning around a chosen topic to refine or reimagine teaching and learning in their schools. Through this grant, you'll have the opportunity to engage in design and implementation alongside Fellow participants who share similar challenges, providing a supportive network for mutual learning and collaboration. In 2024, Fund for Teachers is offering two Circles:

Advancing Student-Centered Learning

FFT Fellows are inventive teachers who want to chase after new ideas that will positively impact students' learning experiences. We are looking for Fellows who are inspired to learn and whose learning is informed by students; Have you noticed a pattern of student engagement or achievement that you want to shift? Are students telling you they need a change? This Innovation Circle will give you the funds to learn something new that could spark innovation in your space. All teacher learning topics are welcome if they connect to your students. Our advice is to choose something focused and strategic that you think might serve your hyper-local student experience.

Teachers Shaping the Future of Education

Teachers and students are often left out of the important conversations (and decisions) at the school, district, state, and federal level, though those decisions often heavily impact classroom teaching and learning. Every teacher has examples where decisions and policies regarding things like class size, teaching load, course requirements, student cell phone use, and student graduation requirements were made without them. Greater teacher and student voice could make these decisions more impactful. In this Circle, teachers will identify a decision/policy they may want to be a part of and learn ways to affect change. Additionally, this is a good circle experience for teachers who want to engage students in policy conversations. Ultimately, the purpose of this circle is to help teachers learn how to navigate policy environments to promote change in their own communities.

Ready to Get Started?

- Deadline: **April 18, 2024**, 5:00PM Central
- Apply at fft.fundforteachers.org/user/signin.
- This grant opportunity is only available to past Fellows, so you must login using your Fellowship login. If you do not remember this login, or your email address has changed, please email info@fundforteachers.org.