# Morphology: A Bridge to Enhance Students' Reading Fluency, Vocabulary, Comprehension & Spelling Skills

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#### Time:

8:30 am Registration and Coffee

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Seminar presentation (Lunch will not be provided)

# Fee:

No charge for Collaborative Members

\$100 per person for Non-Collaborative Districts (non-refundable)

Audience: Grades 6 - Grade 9, CST Members, Related Service Members, Administrators

# **Seminar Description:**

This seminar will address morphology, which is the study of the smallest meaningful units of language. The presentation is designed for educators, child study team members, related services members, and administrators working with typically achieving students; English Language Learners; and struggling readers. Participants will increase their knowledge of reading by concentrating on a morphological approach. Participants will engage in hands-on activities that can be easily implemented in a classroom setting to support students' abilities to decode multisyllabic words; support reading fluency development; expand students' vocabulary and comprehension; and improve spelling. Teaching methods, including a multisensory, direct, explicit approach to support students' reading and spelling skills development will be discussed during the seminar.

### Outcome Objectives: Participants will gain knowledge and skills in:

- Morphology, and its importance in supporting student development of reading and spelling skills;
- The connection between morphology and the Science of Reading, and the eight senses;
- Effective morphological strategies to support morphological awareness, decoding, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension to increase student academic knowledge/abilities;
- Deciphering between Anglo-Saxon, Latin, and Greek layers of the language to support and develop reading and spelling abilities;
- "Easy to design" word study lesson that focus on prefixes, suffixes, Latin roots and Greek combining forms; and
- Hands-on activities to promote student academic success using a morphological approach

**P.D.U.:** 4.0 Hours