



Inter-District Gatherings and District Creative Teams

Cultural Competency and Storytelling Workshops in mid-October

Students from across districts will gather online to:

1. Create a psychologically safe space

Students will work together to build:

- *Trust* - engaging in get-to-know-you online activities
- *Norms* - determining how to encourage and support each other in a judgement free zone
- *Digital Skills* - learning to use Zoom tools

2. Develop cultural competency skills

Through this training, students will **reflect on their own cultural identity and how it creates a lens through which they view the world. While honoring their identities, students will explore intercultural competencies including knowledge, skills, and attitudes required to facilitate lifelong learning** as cultural competency isn't something to be achieved, rather **it's a journey**. In addition, students will examine the history of systemic oppression, implicit biases, and concepts such as privilege/underprivileged. This training will **provide the foundation for students to communicate, collaborate, and lead equitably and inclusively within their creative teams.**

3. Learn The Art of Storytelling

- Story/Plot Arc
- Podcasts vs short film vs novel vs poetry
- Google Drive and Docs
- Brainstorming and Outline process
- Script writing for podcasts/film
- Editing and revisions

[Storytelling Resources](#)

Creative Teams in Podcast, Film and Creative Writing

School(s) within a district would have a creative team that would produce either a podcast, short film, prose or poetry. To make film accessible, students from multiple districts could join one film team.

StoryArk Network Live! at the end of February

Students working with pre-professionals will design and implement this student sharing event that will take place online at the end of February and include all participating districts.