

# Virtual Series: Essentials for New Teachers



This virtual series is provided by the Blumberg Center for Interdisciplinary Studies in Special Education at Indiana State University. The Center offers technical assistance to schools and districts by providing resources, professional learning, coaching, and implementation support.

## Series Description:

This four-part series is designed to equip early-career educators with the essential tools, strategies, and confidence needed to thrive in the classroom. Each session focuses on a core area of effective teaching: building a positive learning environment through Classroom Management, working with colleagues and families through Collaboration, understanding student needs with Special Education 101, and strengthening instructional impact through Explicit Instruction. Whether you're brand-new to teaching or looking to sharpen your practice, this series offers practical, research-based guidance you can apply right away to support all learners.

## Dates:

Thursday, February 19, 2026

- Session 1: Classroom Management

Thursday, March 19, 2026

- Session 2: Collaboration

Thursday, April 16, 2026

- Session 3: Special Education 101

Thursday, May 14, 2026

- Session 4: Explicit Instruction

## Target Audience:

- General Education Teachers
- Special Education Teachers

## Times:

All sessions will take place from 4:00 - 5:00 PM ET.

## Location:

All sessions will take place via Zoom.  
A link will be prior to the first session.

## Presenters:

John Purcell, M.S. Ed.

Gail Ringwalt, Ed.D.

## Registration & Payment:

To register, complete the online registration form at <https://bit.ly/blumbergseries>.



Registration is \$75. Payment by check, purchase order, or credit card (Visa and Mastercard) is accepted. To process payment, contact Kiara Shapuras at (812) 237-2830 or [kiara.shapuras@indstate.edu](mailto:kiara.shapuras@indstate.edu).

The deadline to register and process payment is Friday, February 13. Requests for cancellations must be received in writing by Friday, February 13. Credit card payments are non-refundable.

## Questions:

For questions, please contact Gail Ringwalt at (812) 264-9383 or [gail.ringwalt@indstate.edu](mailto:gail.ringwalt@indstate.edu).

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