Ashland has teamed up with The Education Cooperative (TEC) to offer three web-based, self-paced courses available for you to access at your convenience. Each course offers 15 PDPs for which a certificate will be generated for those participants who score 80% or better on the course assessments. Upon completion of the course you will receive a certificate to use as proof that you satisfied the course requirements. Completion of these courses will satisfy the recertification requirements of 15 hours of ELL and 15 hours of SPED-related professional development.

- ***Connecting Behavioral Health and Social Emotional Learning to Success in School*** - A safe and supportive learning environment is essential to ensuring a student's academic success. Behavioral health and emotional well-being can have a profound impact on students' motivation, engagement, and ability to learn in academic settings. Integrating social and emotional learning (SEL) into curriculum and instruction can help teachers learn how to foster caring, and participatory learning environments that will allow students to feel safe, supported and motivated to learn. In addition, social and emotional competencies are protective factors against both interpersonal aggression and violence such as bullying and self-directed violence and suicidal behavior. This course contains four sessions that address specific areas of social and emotional learning that all Massachusetts schools are required to address. The sessions are designed to help teachers support all students in the classroom.
- ***Engaging All Students with Differentiated Instruction*** - Participants in this course will explore many strategies and tools that will help them to plan lessons so that all students are appropriately challenged and supported. Participants will also explore technology tools that will facilitate instruction of students with diverse learning needs and strategies to differentiate assessment.
- ***Strategies to Enhance Instruction for English Language Learners in the Classroom*** - In this course, participants will review and explore teaching strategies to support English language learners. Participants will also explore technology resources that can support English language learners within the classroom.

Availability: Now through June 30, 2019.

Cost: Free to you

Registration: Use the **TEC Online Learning link** that will take you to a registration page. You will be asked to provide some demographic information and electronically sign an agreement that states that you certify that any work done in the course is your own, and that you understand that the courses represent intellectual property owned by TEC. Once you submit the registration form, account information will be emailed to you that will enable you to access the course in which you are interested.

Frequently Asked Questions:

- Can I start a course and go back to it at any time? Yes!
- Can I work on multiple courses at the same time? Yes!
- Do I need to turn in any documentation to my principal or central office? No, this is each staff member's responsibility to maintain his/her own recertification records.
- What if I don't "pass" (80%) the first time, can I take the course again? Yes! Just register for the course as you did the first time.