



## KENTUCKY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION Training Programs

The Kentucky Education Association offers a variety of training sessions for schools, districts, local KEA leaders and local KEA associations. Some are offered on a statewide basis, others can be brought into your local area. Most can be adapted to meet local needs. For further details about scheduling and pricing of Professional Learning please contact your local UniServ Director or Michelle Grimes Jones, KEA Director of Professional Excellence, at [michelle.jones@kea.org](mailto:michelle.jones@kea.org).

### **Poverty Supports**

- **Rethinking Poverty Simulation: Community Action Poverty Simulation**

Through a partnership with the Missouri Community Action Coalition KEA has partnered to bring a Community Action Poverty Simulation. If you are looking for a community engagement program with parents or others or if you are looking for an engaging real world / meaningful training that is appropriate for all staff, then this is by far one of the best trainings we can provide. During this 3-hour training you will experience what it is like to survive in poverty and discuss the intense needs of the families that you work with daily in your schools. If you are interested in bringing this to your school or district please contact Michelle Grimes Jones, KEA Director of Professional Excellence at [michelle.jones@kea.org](mailto:michelle.jones@kea.org) for more details. (There is a minimum number of participants and location requirements for this training to be conducted.)

- **See Poverty... Be the Difference: Breaking Poverty Barriers To Education**

The series is broken down into three overarching content areas (topics) for a total of ten 90 minute modules. It is recommended that they be taken in order for the deepest learning. This online series asynchronous course series is intended for teachers, staff, leaders, and community partners who are seeking to deepen their poverty-informed knowledge and practices.

#### **Four Modules for Topic 1:**

#### **Educating Students Who Live in the Crisis of Poverty: What works from the Perspectives of People Who Have Lived It**

1. From 9th-Grade Dropout to Doctorate: What Works to Break Poverty Barriers
2. Shattering the Myths and Removing Stereotypes that Get in the Way of Education Success
3. Defining the Many Types of Poverty, Their Impacts, and Tools For

Meeting Students and Families Where They Are  
4. Poverty, Racism, and COVID-19

**Four Modules for Topic Two:**

**Teaching, Learning, Communicating, and Relating More Effectively Across Poverty Barriers**

1. How Poverty Impacts Communication, Relationships, Motivation, and Learning Styles
2. Causes of Communication Breakdowns with Students and Families Living in the Crisis of Poverty
3. Five Concrete Tools for Improving Communication and Best Teaching/Learning Practices
4. How to Build Relationships that Increase Trust, Follow Through, and Education Success

**Two Modules for Topic Three:**

**BluePrint for Change: Everyone Can Be A Leader**

1. Educators Cannot Fight the Complexities of Poverty Alone: Building Community Support
2. Blueprints for Change: Poverty Competency Assessment and Action Planning