

Supporting Refugee Student Populations – Webinar Series

The following webinars are designed to support and assist schools with refugee student populations and are intended for all those who are involved in the education of refugee students. Each webinar will be held 3:30pm – 5:00pm.

April 6, 2017: Refugee Backgrounders and Culture Profiles

Register: <https://ems.azed.gov/home/Calendar?sd=2933>

Cultural backgrounds will be presented in order to provide a closer look into the religions, culture, and education of the main regions (Democratic Republic of Congo, Syria, and Somalia) from which refugees are being resettled in Arizona.

April 25, 2017: Barriers Faced by Resettled Refugees

Register: <https://ems.azed.gov/home/Calendar?sd=2934>

Refugee students must cope with numerous challenges and obstacles when they are resettled in the United States. In this webinar, we will identify several barriers refugee students face when attending American public schools and what can be done to help refugee students overcome these obstacles.

May 9, 2017: The Importance of Student Well-Being

Register: <https://ems.azed.gov/home/Calendar?sd=2935>

Refugee students have faced multiple adversities, including displacement, loss of close family members, and disruption of normalcy. In this webinar, we will discuss the teacher's role in supporting students' well-being through IRC's Healing Classroom approach. We will discuss practical strategies that teachers can use to build a positive and nurturing learning environment to promote students' well-being in the classroom.

June 6, 2017: Building Social and Emotional Skills

Register: <https://ems.azed.gov/home/Calendar?sd=2936>

Displacement and severe adversities experienced by refugee students can have a negative impact on their well-being and development. Explicit Social Emotional Learning (SEL) has been shown to mitigate the effects of adversity and have a positive impact on well-being and academic outcomes. In this webinar, we will share a framework for SEL and examples of how to integrate SEL into the classroom.

July 11, 2017: Best Practices in Educating Refugee Students

Register: <https://ems.azed.gov/home/Calendar?sd=2937>

In this webinar, we will identify best practices for integration of refugee students into schools. We will discuss ways to create a welcoming school environment, engage families, and support refugee student learning in the classroom.