

Program Details & Highlights



WRITERS IN ELECTRONIC RESIDENCE

LITERACY • MENTORSHIP • ARTS • TECHNOLOGY

WIER offers writing programs in which students develop and discuss their work with professional writers, and other participating students and teachers—online and in the classroom. Classes are grouped in our “electronic literary salons,” which sustain the multiplicity of voice that is an integral component of WIER.



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Our Programs

WIER operates several programs:

- *Wired Writers* - secondary level
- *Word4Word* - middle school level
- *Write With You* - elementary level

At a Glance

Electronic Literary Salons

WIER's salons normally comprise six classes, reflecting geographic diversity.

Conferences

WIER's online conferences normally comprise two or three salons, sustaining interest and creating manageable activity.

Writers

Normally, one professional Canadian writer is hired for every six classes enrolled.

Moderators

Experienced WIER moderators supervise:

- learning culture and teaching practice
- writer workloads
- program operations

while helping to facilitate discussions and nurture classroom experience.

Terms & Fees

WIER offers 12-week terms each fall, winter and spring during the school year. The schedule of dates is posted at the WIER web site: www.wier.ca

Participation in WIER costs \$650 per class per term. A \$100 deposit per class is invoiced upon registration to ensure a space is reserved, and deducted from the fee. Introductory and connection materials are emailed separately in advance of the term, and information about books written by the authors is provided to schools around the start of the program. We have made arrangements with a bookseller to provide class sets to you at discounted rates.

From time to time, WIER receives funding for special programs. Please see our web site for information about current opportunities.

Trimester Details

Middle & Secondary Levels

At the middle and secondary school levels a class is considered to be a group of 30 (or fewer) students in a common program. It is possible to structure your participation differently (e.g., as an extracurricular creative writing group, or library program, etc.)

Each term is structured as follows:
2 weeks - orientation & introductions
3 weeks - new work & responses
2 weeks - student revision and response
3 weeks - new work & responses
2 weeks - final student revision and response period, and closing activities.

Please contact WIER at (416) 591-6300 Ext. 235 to discuss any other types of class configurations prior to the start of term.

Elementary Level

Younger children tend to need longer intervals of classroom time to prepare new writing, so our program at the elementary level is structured differently.

Each twelve-week term for the elementary program is structured as follows:

- 2 weeks - orientation & introductions
- 8 weeks - new work & responses
- 2 weeks - closing activities

In the primary grades (K-3) up to a total of 60 students in a common program are considered to be one class for the duration of the term.

In the junior grades (4-6) groups of 30 (or fewer) students in a common program are considered to be one class for the duration of the term.

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FAX Back Registration Form

Please print and fax the completed form, below, to (416) 591-5345. Thank you.

Term Dates for the 2008-2009 Season

Fall Term: September 15, 2008 to December 5, 2008

Winter Term: January 12, 2009 to April 3, 2009

Spring Term: March 16, 2009 to June 5, 2009

Name (first and last)	
School Name	
Street Address	
City/Town	
Province/Territory	
Postal Code	
Participating Teacher(s) Name(s)	
Principal/Director	
Phone (please include area code)	
Fax (please include area code)	
Email	
Technical Support Contact (Name and phone number)	
Grade level(s)	
Number of students	
Term (please check)	Fall (2008) <input type="checkbox"/> Winter (2009) <input type="checkbox"/> Spring (2009) <input type="checkbox"/>
Invoice should be sent to:	
School <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Board/District <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
<i>Please include complete School or Board/District name, full address, and P.O. number (if applicable.)</i>	_____
