

Eighth Annual
Judicial Institute for Teachers, Grades 5-12
in Tacoma's U.S. District Court



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**Featuring Mary Beth Tinker of
Tinker v. Des Moines School District
50th Anniversary of Her Case**

**Learn More about the U.S.
Constitution, Federal Judiciary,
Civil Rights, and Federal Criminal
Law**

The U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington in collaboration with the Seattle University School of Law is offering teachers grade 5-12 a unique opportunity to learn about the U.S. Constitution, federal judiciary, national security, federal-state courts, and federal criminal law. The institute is highly interactive. For the first time, this Institute will take place in its **Tacoma** courthouse.

State and federal judges will contrast how state courts differ from federal courts. This year the program features **Mary Beth Tinker**, plaintiff in *Tinker v. Des Moines School District*, 1969, in which the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that public school students do not shed their free speech rights at the school house door. This is the 50th anniversary of her case.

Judges who hear the cases you read about in the news will be faculty along with long-term law-related education expert Margaret Fisher to help translate this content into lessons immediately usable in the classroom.

Teachers from prior years had this to say:

“The range and quality of distinguished speakers, combined with the location in the federal courthouse, made the Institute a uniquely memorable experience. The presentations were not only inspirational but also practical. I came away with new ideas about how to teach law and justice as well as the successes and failures of our courts. For example, I was moved by Judge Lasnik's analysis of the Constitution in the context of slavery, Judge Jones's remarks about the challenges of sentencing, and John McKay's reflections on the use of torture. The passion for justice from all of the speakers was palpable, as well as their appreciation for the teaching profession. We were all part of the same ‘team’ with the same goal of promoting civic responsibility.”

“Not only did I gain ideas that will be useful for a classroom, I learned new things every day to help myself be a better citizen.”

Judicial Institute for Teachers Grades 5-12 July 9, 10 and 11, 2019

Sponsored by the U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington and the
Seattle University School of Law

Eligible applicants: Forty teachers grades 5-12 teaching in any of 19 western counties of Washington* who did not participate in a prior Judicial Institute.

Dates and times: Program starts at 8 a.m. on July 9 and ends on July 11 at 3 p.m. A group dinner is schedule for Wednesday, July 10, 2019.

Judicial Institute Location: U.S. District Court in Tacoma, 1717 Pacific Avenue, Room 3100
Tacoma, WA 98402-3200.

Clock hours: 22 clock hours pending from OSPI at no cost to teacher.

Cost: No registration fee, breakfasts and lunches provided on July 9-11, group dinner provided on July 10, parking is provided, and double occupancy hotel rooms provided for the nights of July 8, 9 and 10. If single occupancy is required, teachers are required to pay the additional cost for the half of the room plus tax and fees.

Registration: Rolling registration until 40 slots are filled.

Selection: Based on time of application and geographic diversity.

More information: Margaret Fisher, Seattle University School of Law, fisherm2@seattleu.edu or 206-501-7963.

Please apply early and send your completed application as soon as possible to:

Margaret E. Fisher
Distinguished Practitioner in Residence
Seattle University School of Law
P. O. Box 222000
Seattle, WA 98122 or send by email to: fisherm2@seattleu.edu

*Counties in the Western District of Washington are: Clallam, Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Skamania, Snohomish, Thurston, Wahkiakum, and Whatcom.

APPLICATION to the 2019 Judicial Institute for Teachers Grades 5-12

Name: _____

Name of School: _____

School Dist./Employer: _____ County School Located: _____

School Address: _____

City: _____, WA Zip: _____

Phone Numbers: Work _____ Home _____ Cell _____

Work Email Address: _____

Preferred during school year: _____ Yes _____ No; During summer 2019: _____ Yes _____ No

Personal Email Address: _____

Preferred during school year: _____ Yes _____ No; During summer 2019: _____ Yes _____ No

Washington Teaching License #: _____

Home Mailing Address: _____ City: _____, WA Zip: _____

Provide a brief statement of intent – no more than 300 words – as to how you will use the Judicial Institute experience in your teaching assignment and share your experience with teaching colleagues.

By submitting this application, I certify that (please initial):

I will commit to attending all sessions on all three days of the Judicial Institute. NOTE: Absent an emergency, teachers will not be excused from full participation in all sessions.

And

I have notified my principal of my application to this Institute. Name of Principal or Administrator: _____

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