



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA

DIRECT ARCHDIOCESAN DISTRICT OFFICE OF EDUCATION

October 9, 2018

Greek-American Parochial Day School Principals
Greek- Afternoon / Saturday School Directors & Teachers
Of the Direct Archdiocesan District

CC: Reverend Fathers and School Board Chairmen

RE: Annual Professional Development Seminar

It is with great pleasure that we announce that the District's Annual **Professional Development Seminar** will be held under the auspices of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America on **Tuesday, November 6th** (Election Day), at St. Demetrios High School of Astoria. The Seminar aims at offering in-service training to teachers who serve in District's day and afternoon/Saturday schools.

This year's **Staff Development Seminar** will include a series of presentations and workshops for the teachers of the English program of the New York City parochial day schools with the general theme "**Using Data to Drive Instruction**". The English Program is taken care of **Brienza's Academic Advantage** and fully covered by Title IIA government Funds.

The Greek program will start with a presentation on "**The Impact of the Comprehensive Examination in Modern Greek as a foreign language achievement test**" from **Mrs. Kalliopi Amygdalou-Dimitrakopoulos** - M.Ed in Bilingual, ESL, Multicultural Concentration/ Department of Teacher Education & Curriculum Studies/ University of Massachusetts. Later that day, the Greek afternoon school teachers will attend a new program the "**Ellinopoula Project**", presented by **Mrs. Anna Sakkis**. They will be trained through interactive learning.

We kindly invite all the teachers of the Direct Archdiocesan District as well as those serving in the neighboring areas to attend the **November 6th Seminar**. We hope that the variety of the workshops will be interesting and useful for your work.

To register for the **Professional Development Seminar**, kindly complete the enclosed "**Registration Form**" and fax it to **212-774-0248** or email it to **afilippou@goarch.org**. For more information, please contact our Office at **212-570-3553**.

Your participation in the Seminar will be highly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Athina Filippou-Katehis