A NEW SEASON OF TEACHING CHANNEL PRESENTS PREMIERES SEPTEMBER 22 and 28, 2012 ON WLIW WORLD AND THIRTEEN

Hosted by Sarah Brown Wessling, the 2010 National Teacher of the Year, the groundbreaking weekly one-hour episodes covers how teachers are implementing the Common Core State Standards, building digital literacy into their daily lessons, exploring new methods to teach English Language Learners and much more.

NEW YORK (September 16, 2013) – Teaching Channel Presents returns this fall to public television stations with new weekly one-hour episodes addressing critical issues facing educators today. Launched in 2011, Teaching Channel Presents is an unprecedented series that opens up classroom doors and showcases inspiring teaching across America.

The third season, featuring new videos from Teaching Channel (Tch) online airs weekly beginning on Sunday, September 22, 2013 at 5:00 a.m. (ET) on WLIW WORLD and Saturday, September 28, 2013 at 6:00 a.m. (ET) on THIRTEEN, 9:00 a.m. (ET) on WLIW21 and 5:00 a.m. (ET) on NJTV (check local listings). The premiere episode looks at the inside of classrooms where teachers are already integrating the Common Core standards.

Sarah Brown Wessling, the Teacher Laureate at Tch and the 2010 National Teacher of the Year, serves as host.

After broadcast, the segments that comprise each episode – along with ancillary materials – will be available at teachingchannel.org.

Since its premiere season, Teaching Channel Presents has helped introduce Tch’s video platform to a growing number of teachers across the country. The site now has an online video library that features more than 700 videos – many of which are tagged to the Common Core State Standards. In August 2013, the website received more than 370,000 unique visitors and Tch now has more than 342,000 registered users in its online community of educators.

Through observational and character-driven stories, teachers can learn from their peers’ hands-on experience about such topics as how they might tackle tough issues in the classroom, teach students to become good digital citizens, and incorporate arts into their curriculums.

The first 10 episodes are as follows (check local airdates):
Episode 1
**Inside Common Core Classrooms:** We’ll begin the new season of *Teaching Channel Presents* in classrooms where teachers are already integrating the Common Core. From adding and subtracting to fractions and functions, we’ll follow students as they explore mathematical reasoning across grade levels. See how the standards change as students advance. And, we’ll visit three lively English classes where the Common Core emphasis is on speaking and listening skills.

Episode 2
**Common Core PreK - 12:** We’ll start with Pre-K math students and finish up with high school English students as we explore the many ways Common Core is being integrated into classrooms—in both math and ELA the emphasis is teaching students *how* to think.

Episode 3
**New Teacher Survival Guide:** We’ll follow several new teachers and their mentors as they focus on essential first-year skills from lesson planning to classroom management to differentiation. This hour is filled with useful “do’s and don’ts” for new teachers.

Episode 4
**Digital Citizens & Improving Practice:** In our first half hour, we’ll see how students are becoming “Super Digital Citizens” as they learn how to use the Internet responsibly—then, we’ll switch gears and too see new ways teachers are working to improve their practice.

Episode 5
**Experiential Learning** Go to four amazing classrooms where the focus is on “learning by doing.” Whether students are creating radio shows, fixing computers, or solving engineering problems, they are getting a “college and career-ready experience.”

Episode 6
**Teaching ELA to the Core** We’ll drill down into the Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts and see teachers succeed, and *stumble*, as they work to incorporate material that not all students are ready to handle.

Episode 7
**Middle School Math & Science:** We’ll immerse ourselves in Middle School math and science—from using your whole body to graph linear equations to going on a pond water safari—these classes are engaging and inventive.

Episode 8
**Celebrating Science:** Some things run on batteries, some bubble over, some throw sparks—anything can happen in science class as students study everything from Robotics to Physics to Boyle’s Law.

Episode 9
**Elementary School Basics:** Follow along for a full hour with eager-to-learn elementary school students. From doing the “Monster Match” for English, to Decimal Games in Math, to exploring ecosystems in Science, these lessons are inviting and visual.
Episode 10
Making Math & History Come Alive: We’ll spend the hour in seven classrooms as teachers make math and history come alive while aligning their lessons to the Common Core. We’ll visit student-focused math classes and then see students explore ancient civilizations, the French Revolution, and the American Declaration of Independence.

Teaching Channel Presents is presented by WLIW21 in association with WNET, parent company of WLIW21, THIRTEEN and the operator of NJTV. For 50 years, THIRTEEN has been making the most of the rich resources and passionate people of New York and the world, reaching millions of people with on-air and online programming that celebrates arts and culture, offers insightful commentary on the news of the day, explores the worlds of science and nature, and invites students of all ages to have fun while learning.

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About Teaching Channel
Teaching Channel revolutionizes how teachers learn, connect, and inspire each other and their communities to improve instruction and student outcomes in America’s K−12 classrooms. A nonprofit organization, Teaching Channel engages teachers across the country to reinvent and revolutionize professional learning through video content and online innovation. For more information, visit Teaching Channel on the web at www.TeachingChannel.org, and on Twitter, Facebook, Pinterest and YouTube.

About WNET
In 2013, WNET is celebrating the 50th Anniversary of THIRTEEN, New York’s flagship public media provider. As the parent company of THIRTEEN and WLIW21 and operator of NJTV, WNET brings quality arts, education and public affairs programming to over 5 million viewers each week. WNET produces and presents such acclaimed PBS series as Nature, Great Performances, American Masters, Need to Know, Charlie Rose and a range of documentaries, children’s programs, and local news and cultural offerings available on air and online. Pioneers in educational programming, WNET has created such groundbreaking series as Get the Math, Oh Noah! and Cyberchase and provides tools for educators that bring compelling content to life in the classroom and at home. WNET highlights the tri-state’s unique culture and diverse communities through NYC-ARTS, Reel 13, NJ Today and MetroFocus, the multi-platform news magazine focusing on the New York region. WNET is also a leader in connecting with viewers on emerging platforms, including the THIRTEEN Explore iPad App where users can stream PBS content for free.