



# Co-Teaching Class

with Lia Cravedi and Katharine Sheperd

*The first two days of this class will be at the Rich Villa and Jacque Thousand Conference (Aug. 11-12), Co-Teaching & Differentiated Instruction in Essex*

Co-teaching is two or more people – most frequently a general education teacher and a special education teacher -- sharing responsibility for teaching all of the students assigned to a classroom. It involves the equal distribution of responsibility among co-teachers for planning, instruction, and evaluation for a classroom of students. Co-teaching is an option for providing differentiated and special instruction in an inclusive educational community. The primary objective of the co-teaching model is to maximize student growth and achievement in a community of diverse learners.

*"For co-teaching to have enough impact to improve outcomes for students, both teachers must have a commitment to the entire instructional process and actively contribute to helping [all students in the classroom] reach their potential. Effective co-teaching relies on setting aside assumptions and engaging in ongoing discussion of how to engage both professionals in the process of teaching and learning" (Marilyn Friend, 2008).*

Recognizing that good relationships are at the heart of successful co-teaching teams, this course will examine and explore strategies for working cohesively and effectively as a team. While learning about different elements of and approaches to co-teaching, we will observe our individual teaching and planning styles, and learn how to integrate styles and skills with those of other teachers. In addition, participants will spend time developing co-taught lessons that emphasize differentiated instruction and assessment.

## **Instructors: Lia Cravedi and Katharine Sheperd**

- Dates:** August 11, 12, 15, 16, 2011 with (1) one coaching site visit and one end-of-class follow-up session
- Time:** 8:30 – 3:30 p.m.
- Location:** Inn at Essex (Aug.11-12) and Marcotte Central School Library, SB, Aug.15-16
- Cost:** Course and credit: CVEDC Members \$ 900  
Non-member Cost: \$950, text and handouts included

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