



## CONDUIT

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TeachingBooks.net

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*This monthly newsletter provides the inside scoop on how you can maximize the use of TeachingBooks.  
Please forward pertinent information to your colleagues.*

### **Short General Training Will Be This Month's What's New Webinar**

This month's 10-minute webinar will be Nick leading a brief training – imagining that his Principal gave him a few minutes to give an overview of TeachingBooks.net to staff. Please join this training on Thursday, and then participate in the phone Q&A afterwards.

Afterwards, you will receive a recording of this presentation that you can forward to colleagues throughout your community – so that they, too, can learn in this abbreviated and convenient format how TeachingBooks.net supports their reading and library activities.

Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>: 4pm Eastern Time, 1pm Pacific Time

All you need to do is go to: <http://www.teachingbooks.net/monthlywebinar>

After this month, there are only two more monthly webinars scheduled for this school year:

- Wednesday, April 22 at 12pm Central Time
- Tuesday, May 19 at 1pm Central Time

Hope you can join us!

### **Enhancement Coming Soon – Building Level Access and Customized Resources**

We're working on programming enhancements for next school year that give you classroom-level reading list resources, building-level access, and more. This very exciting development will make it easy for teachers and students in each of your specific buildings and classes to integrate multimedia materials about the books and authors they are reading!

To do this we need to make sure we have the correct information about each of your schools – so we'll be asking you for help in the next few weeks. Please don't send us information yet, we just wanted to share our excitement about this new enhancement with you.

### **Updated MARC Records Coming Soon**

Licenses with IP authenticated access will soon be able to update the records for the TeachingBooks Original Author Programs that are searchable in their library catalogs. The file we're sending out this spring includes 54 MARC records about our originally produced author programs. We'll be emailing the file to the License Coordinator(s) for each account that has given us their external IP address ranges.

Questions about the forthcoming MARC records can be directed to TeachingBooks Information Manager, Carin Bringelson: [carin@TeachingBooks.net](mailto:carin@TeachingBooks.net)

## Free Books Went Like Hot Cakes

Thank you to all of the educators who wrote to us requesting the free books we offered in our last Conduit newsletter. Hundreds contacted us, and more than 50 schools now have these books. We appreciate everyone's efforts to get books into the hands of children and young adults in schools!

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