

COLLIN COLLEGE DISTRICT

APCAA Districtwide Workshops: November and December 2025

Students can find APCA online and on campus workshops in various ways -- Access the APCA tile on the Cougarweb Dashboard and navigate to the APCA Workshops, Seminars, and Reviews link, or access the Dashboard's Upcoming Events Calendar, and, finally, students may register for workshops through the [Trac.Cloud](#) tile on OneLogin.

CELINA CAMPUS WORKSHOPS

All workshops are held in **APCAA (Library, Room 002)**, *except as noted.

Celina Campus APCA Workshop: It's a Set Up: Framing Evidence with Confidence

Saturday, November 8, 10:00a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Learn how to use signal phrases to present your evidence in an appealing and persuasive way.

Presented by Mary Hoilman, APCA Writing Tutor

Celina Campus APCA

Library, Room 002

Celina Campus APCA Workshop: Review of Factoring Polynomials

Wednesday, November 12, 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Review of Factoring Polynomials

Presented by: Madison Utterback, APCA Math Tutor

Celina Campus APCA

Library, Room 002

Celina Campus APCA Workshop: Neuroplasticity: Its Effect on Learning and Vice Versa

Thursday, November 13, 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

Exploring the brain's ability to change, adapt, and grow.

Presented by: Samina Sabir, APCA Science Tutor

Celina Campus APCA

Library, Room 002

Celina Campus APCA Workshop: Linear Equations: Structure and Applications

Thursday, November 20, 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

The discussion will focus on setting up linear equations and exploring their connections to matrices.

Presented by Dr. Georgiy Klimenko, APCA Math Tutor

Celina Campus APCA

Library, Room 002

Celina Campus APCA Workshop: Chemistry Finals Review Session

Monday, December 1, 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

This review is open to all Chemistry students to ask questions and review material in preparation for final exams.

Presented by: Jennifer Stidham, Chemistry Lab Instructor

Celina Campus APCA

Library, Room 002

Celina Campus APCA Workshop: Biology Finals Review Session

Monday, December 1, 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

This review session is open to all Biology/A and P students to ask questions and review material in preparation for final exams.

Presented by Samina Sabir, APCA Science Tutor

Celina Campus APCA

Library, Room 002

Celina Campus APCA Workshop: Mathematics Final Review

Tuesday, December 2, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

This review is open to students in Math 1314, Math 1324, and Co-requisite classes. Bring your questions and concerns.

Dr. Georgiy Klimenko, APCA Math Tutor

Celina Campus APCA

Library, Room 002

Celina Campus APCA Workshop: Biology Finals Review Session

Wednesday, December 3, 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

This review session is open to all Biology/A and P students to ask questions and review material in preparation for final exams.

Presented by Samina Sabir, APCA Science Tutor

Celina Campus APCA

Library, Room 002

FRISCO CAMPUS WRITING WORKSHOPS

Most workshops will take place on campus (Lawler Hall 142) and on Zoom simultaneously but read the location details on each listing. Registration is available through TracCloud; drop-ins, both in person and virtually, are welcome but be sure to tell the presenter if you need verification of attendance.

Frisco Campus Writing Center Online and On Campus Workshop: Becoming an Indie Author

Thursday, November 6, 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Indie author Jalyn Renae Fiske will present her journey with traditional publishing and self-publishing that includes insider info on ISBNs, distributors, Amazon, building a brand, book signings, literary festivals, and more. If you've ever wondered what it takes to become an indie author, this presentation is for you. **In conjunction with the Collin Writes program.**

Presented by Jalyn Fiske, Reference Librarian

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/my/friscowc>

LH142

Frisco Campus Writing Center Online Workshop: Reading Efficiently for College

Tuesday, November 11, 6:00 pm-7:00pm

Reading is an essential skill for success in college. It is not just recognizing words on the page but fully comprehending the ideas and information that those words express in order to help enhance your understanding of course content. This workshop will provide tips to help you become an active and efficient reader.

Presented by Morgan Eoff, Writing Center Consultant

Online Only

<https://us02web.zoom.us/my/friscowc>

Frisco Campus Writing Center Online and On Campus Workshop: AMA (Ask Me Anything) about Game Writing and Design

Wednesday, November 12, 2:30pm – 3:30pm

CollinWrites guest speaker Kij Johnson will answer your questions on game writing and design.

Kij's experience in the game industry includes director of continuity for *Magic: The Gathering* and a creative director for *D&D*; and more recently as a writer and editor for various tabletop roleplaying games. She has just designed and written a tabletop roleplaying game, *RiverBank*, for Kobold Press, and is developing a second game for them.

Presented by Kij Johnson, Author and Game Designer

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/my/friscowc>

LH142

Frisco Campus Writing Center On Campus Workshop: Story Openings – Master Class with Author Kij Johnson

Thursday, November 13, 4:00pm – 5:30pm

Without a compelling title and opening paragraphs, a reader doesn't even get started. We'll use examples from published work and participants' stories to talk about reader immersion, microwriting, pacing, and voice. **In conjunction with the Collin Writes program**

Presented by Kij Johnson, Author of fantasy novels

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Frisco Campus Writing Center On Campus Workshop: Phrasal Verbs for ESL Speakers

Monday, November 17, 12:00pm – 1:00pm OR 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Phrases such as “let go” or “see to” are called phrasal verbs. Phrasal verbs pair a regular English verb with a preposition to create a verb with a new meaning. This workshop will cover some of the most common phrasal verbs, their meanings, and strategies for identifying phrasal verbs in writing and speech.

Presented by Darcy Rudnick, Writing Center Consultant

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Frisco Campus Writing Center Online and On Campus Workshop: The Writer's Voice in Narrative Essays

Thursday, November 20, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

In narrative essays, the writer's voice is key because all the other elements are analyzed through the narrator's lens. The persona of the writer comes through in one or two facets which best

define them at that point. Join us to learn the various steps and strategies for structuring your narrative--with attention to detail and an authentic voice.

Presented by Lopa Banerjee, Writing Center Consultant

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/my/friscowc>

LH142

Frisco Campus Writing Center Online and On Campus Workshop: Improve Your Grammar in 60 minutes

Monday, November 24, 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Tired of losing points on your essays due to grammar errors? This workshop addresses the most common grammatical stumbling blocks and provides tips for identifying and fixing them in your writing.

Presented by Monica Davenport, Writing Center Manager

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/my/friscowc>

LH142

Frisco Campus Writing Center Online and On Campus Workshop: Be Concise

Wednesday, December 3, 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Expressing your ideas succinctly matters. Too many words can clutter an essay, leaving readers inattentive or confused. We'll discuss how to enhance your writing by removing verbiage and redundancy to maximize the force of your message.

Presented by Nathan Conard, Writing Center Consultant

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/my/friscowc>

LH142

Frisco Campus Writing Center Online and On Campus Workshop: Evaluating Sources for Research Papers

Tuesday, December 9, 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

The internet and the Collin College Library databases put a world of knowledge at your fingertips. But with so much information out there, it can be difficult to find sources that are both reliable and relevant to your interests or the guidelines of your project. Come learn about the types of sources available to you and how to find quality information.

Presented by Monica Davenport, Writing Center Manager

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/my/friscowc>

LH142

MCKINNEY CAMPUS WORKSHOPS

McKinney Campus Online and On Campus Workshop: Math 0405 Final Exam Review

Thursday, December 4, 1:00pm-2:00pm

Come review for your Math 0405 final exam.

Presented by Ruth Hindes, Math Tutor

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3656240201>

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McKinney Campus Online and On Campus Workshop: Math 0405 Final Exam Review

Friday, December 5, 12:30pm-1:30pm

Come review for your Math 0405 final exam.

Presented by Ruth Hindes, Math Tutor

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3656240201>

C119A

McKinney Campus Online and On Campus Workshop: Math 1314 Final Exam Review

Thursday, December 4, 2:30pm-3:30pm

Come review for your College Algebra final exam.

Presented by David Stigelmeyer Math Tutor

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3656240201>

C119A

McKinney Campus Online and On Campus Workshop: Math 1314 Final Exam Review

Friday, December 5, 11:00am-12:00pm

Come review for your College Algebra final exam.

Presented by David Stigelmeyer Math Tutor

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3656240201>

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PLANO CAMPUS WORKSHOPS

All in-person workshops are located at the Plano Campus in room D210. Students do not have to register for in-person workshops in advance.

Plano Campus APCA Online and On Campus Workshop: Research Design: Materials and Methods

Tuesday, November 11, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Writing a lab report? Interested in understanding scientific research at a deeper level? Learn how to use research design principles to test your hypothesis.

Presented by Dr. Kimberly Wren, Anthropology Faculty

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5997124900>

D210

Plano Campus APCA Workshop: MLA Format and Citations

Monday, November 17, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

What even is MLA? Why is your professor making you jump through all these hoops? Come learn the answers to these questions as well as the basics of MLA style, citations, and format.

Presented by Brittany Whitstone, Writing Tutor
Plano Campus APCA
D210

Plano Campus APCA Online and On Campus Workshop: Results, Discussion, and Conclusions

Tuesday, November 18, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Writing a lab report? Need to figure out how to use a journal article in your paper? Learn how experiment and study results are presented and interpreted, with many examples.

Presented by Dr. Kimberly Wren, Anthropology Faculty

Online and On Campus

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5997124900>

D210

Plano Campus APCA Online Workshop: Persuasion Power

Thursday, November 20, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

If you're writing an argumentative, persuasive, response, or opinion essay, this workshop is for you! Here, we'll discuss strategies for building strong arguments, responding to counterarguments effectively, and convincing your reader that your issue truly matters.

Presented by Brittany Whitstone, Writing Tutor

Online

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7977976513?pwd=L1BvY3lUN2hoOHZSdUtZajJJdmtUUT09>

Plano Campus APCA On Campus Workshop: Integrating Sources

Tuesday, December 2, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Go beyond the basics for your research paper with new techniques for how and when to summarize, paraphrase, and directly quote sources without plagiarizing.

Presented by Brittany Whitstone, Writing Tutor

Plano Campus APCA

D210

TECHNICAL CAMPUS WORKSHOPS

Technical Campus APCA Online Workshop: Effective Reflective Journaling

Tuesday, November 11, 12pm – 1pm

What do you think of when you think of writing in a journal? Self-expression is a key component of journaling, but journaling is especially effective if you journal regularly with a practical purpose. In this workshop we will explore the importance of journaling and how you can use it in a methodical and practical manner to give you a better understanding of yourself, how to plan for your future, and live a self-fulfilling life. So, I ask, "Journaling, anyone?"

Presented by Nagia E. Moharram, Writing Tutor

Online

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6550342747>

Technical Campus APCA Online Workshop: Late Night Writing Lounge

Thursday, November 13, 7:30pm - 8:30pm

Need accountability to work on an assignment? Need help with writing something you're working on for class? Dr. Azard and Dr. Fish, Collin English professors, can help with everything from getting out of writer's block to locking down the best content. Join us for an open hour of doing the thing.

Presented by Dr. Sarah Fish and Dr. Marc Azard, Professors of English

Online

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89325636905>

Technical Campus APCA Online Workshop: I Need a Letter of Recommendation. Now What?

Wednesday, November 19, 1:15pm - 1:45pm

Applying to college? To a job? To a certificate program? To a school club? If you need a letter of recommendation, how do you ask for one? This workshop will give students an idea of standard etiquette when asking for a letter of recommendation, go over samples of questions and questionnaires that professors have used in the past, and allow for practice and participation in requesting letters of recommendation.

Presented by Dr. Melody Miyamoto Walters, Professor of History

Online

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82232308769>

Technical Campus APCA Online Workshop: College Algebra Final Exam Review Session

Tuesday, December 2, 1pm – 4pm

Join the Technical Campus APCA's Math Lab staff for this review session covering concepts in College Algebra.

Presented by the Math Lab Staff

Online

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87445607313>

Technical Campus APCA Online Workshop: MATH 0405 and TSI Exam Review Session

Wednesday, December 3, 3pm – 6pm

Join the Technical Campus APCA's Math Lab staff for this review session covering concepts in MATH 0405 and on the TSI exam.

Presented by the Math Lab Staff

Online

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81560969351>

Technical Campus APCA Online Workshop: Statistics Final Exam Review Session

Thursday, December 4, 1pm – 4pm

Join the Technical Campus APCA's Math Lab staff for this review session covering concepts in Statistics.

Presented by the Math Lab Staff

Online

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84271411095>