

# PDS Partnerships



## PS 207 Lafayette International Community High School

### Our Team

- \* John Starkey  
PS 207 Principal
- \* Elizabeth Kuttesch  
PS 207 English as a New Language  
teacher & EDU co-instructor
- \* Pixita del Prado Hill  
Buffalo State faculty and  
EDU co-instructor

### Course

EDU 416: Teaching Literacy in  
Middle and Secondary Schools

### School

PS 207 serves 100% English  
language learners

- PS 207 serves a population that is 100% English learners. Approx. 50% speak Spanish and 50% represent countries from around the world.

### Unique Features

- A paper documenting the project was recently published:

Kuttesch, E. & del Prado Hill, P. (2021). Even more important now: How co-teaching is strengthening a school university partnership during COVID-19. PDS Partners, 16(4) 3-7.

- Elizabeth Kuttesch is both a teacher at PS 207 and co-instructor for the course

### Field Placement

Teacher Candidates preparing to become middle and high school teachers across all content areas complete 15 hours of field placement to learn about co-teaching and utilizing literacy to deepen content knowledge.

### Funding

A SEMESTER STIPEND supports the purchase of uniforms for students who have difficulty buying the required clothes. A PDS ACTION RESEARCH MINIGRANT funds student journals used in writing-to-learn activities across the content areas.



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