Bridges Out of Poverty: Strategies for Professionals and Communities
Workshop Descriptor

Bridges Out of Poverty workshop provides both the social service provider and the community member key lessons in dealing with individuals from poverty. Topics include increasing awareness of the differences in economic cultures and how those differences affect opportunities for success. This workshop is based on the book *Bridges Out of Poverty: Strategies for Professionals and Communities*, a collaboration between Ruby K. Payne, Phillip DeVol, and Terie Dreussi Smith. Phil’s experience includes developing school based, substance abuse prevention, intervention and student assistance programs, and Terie is an experienced educator and prevention coordinator. This workshop is designed for audiences of employers, community organizations, law enforcement, counselors, health care and social service providers.
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Selected workshops presented and products by Bethanie H. Tucker

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- Engage and Graduate Your Secondary Students: Preventing Dropouts
- Understanding and Engaging Under-Resourced College Students
- Tucker Signing Strategies
- Reading by Age 5
- Tucker Signing for Early Childhood Reading
- Vocabulary and Mental Model Development for Preschool
- Readiness Skills and Relationship Building
- How to Motivate Students to Increase Performance
- Hidden Rules of Class at Work

Bethanie H. Tucker is the author of Tucker Signing Strategies for Reading and Reading by Age 5, and co-author of Understanding and Engaging Under-Resourced College Students.