

Share What You Know: Become a District 115 Trainer

“Those who can’t, teach.”

This old saying suggests that people who aren’t successful in their fields somehow end up in the noble teaching profession. Let’s call that what it is—**an absolute myth**.

History proves the opposite. Some of the world’s greatest figures were teachers at some point in their lives: **Albert Einstein, Maya Angelou, Stephen King, and even several U.S. Presidents**. Accomplished professionals often make the best trainers because they bring deep expertise and the ability to inspire others.

Why This Matters Now

District 115 has recently formed a new **Education Committee** dedicated to creating meaningful and practical learning opportunities for our members, including:

- **Live online trainings** (about one hour or more)
- **Concise on-demand instructional videos**

To succeed, we need Toastmasters like **you**—members with experience in speaking, leadership, social media, marketing, AI, Pathways, navigating the Toastmasters website, and more. By sharing your knowledge, you will help others grow while strengthening our clubs and our District as a whole.

Five Benefits of Becoming a Trainer

Becoming a trainer isn’t just about helping others—it’s also about expanding your own growth. Here are five ways training will benefit you:

1 Sharpen Your Facilitation Skills

Move beyond presenting information and learn to **create learning experiences**. Trainers guide discussions, encourage participation, and place the spotlight on learners—skills that translate into stronger leadership in any environment.

Strengthen Your Leadership & Diplomacy

Each training brings diverse perspectives. You'll practice **leading groups, building consensus, and navigating different viewpoints**, enhancing your ability to guide teams in both Toastmasters and your professional life.

Build Your Resume & Professional Network

Training is a **visible leadership role** that demonstrates initiative and expertise. It strengthens your resume while giving you opportunities to connect with fellow trainers, officers, and motivated members across the District.

Deepen Your Own Knowledge

Teaching is one of the best ways to learn. Preparing content, answering questions, and adapting to your audience will **expand your mastery** of the subject and sharpen your communication skills.

Experience Personal Fulfillment

The greatest reward is the joy of **seeing others succeed** because of your guidance. Many trainers describe a deep sense of pride, satisfaction, and belonging as they give back to the very program that helped them grow.

Conclusion

Becoming a trainer is more than just teaching—it's about **empowering others while continuing your own journey of growth**. It allows you to strengthen your leadership, expand your knowledge, build valuable connections, and experience the joy of helping others succeed.

If you're ready to take the next step, email d115pqdtm@gmail.com. Together, we can build a stronger, more vibrant District 115.

Save the Dates: Upcoming Training Opportunities

As you consider stepping into a training role, don't miss these events designed to sharpen your own skills:

- **Pathways Lab** – every third Monday of the month (next session: **October 20**)
Zoom link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86247630207?pwd=YlGVRL9dkVw4rhWpNNbrRLv7aRmxHF.1>

- **Early Bird Club Officer Training (COT) – December 6, 2025***
- **Toastmasters Leadership Institute (TLI) – January 31, 2026***
- **Online Club Officer Training – February 9–11, 2026***

*More details coming soon.