The Stories We Tell is a powerful learning and culture building experience designed for teachers and educators, and centered around the award-winning movie, *Teacher of the Year: A Documentary Based on a True Story*. During the half-day session, participants will watch the movie, and engage in activities to identify and discuss the narratives (cultural, social, family, individual) that impact our work and lives as educators and learners. Participants will explore the links between the stories we tell about teaching and learning and the reality of teaching and learning, and discover how stories and storytelling can be powerful tools for reflection, connection, and deepening understanding.

**Teacher of the Year: A Documentary Based on a True Story**

*Teacher of the Year* explores the question, “What happens when a real teacher tries to be a Hollywood hero?” The movie follows Raleigh, NC social studies teacher Angie Scioli as she strives for perfection as a teacher, mother, wife, daughter, and burgeoning advocate for public education. This inside look at the life of a real teacher is juxtaposed with scenes from Hollywood teacher movies, and interviews with scholars and experts in media studies, education, and sociology. The film was produced and directed by two filmmaker/educators and has been featured in *The Atlantic* and WUNC’s *The State of Things*.

**Watch and Learn**

Please contact us if you would like to learn more about *The Stories We Tell*, or are interested in watching and learning from the movie through one of the following ways:

- Screening
- Screening and Discussion
- Filmmakers Q&A
- Customized Learning Experience

**Facilitator**

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