overview
#blog4NWP is a grassroots effort started by Chad Sansing (Central Virginia Writing Project) to tweet, blog, and show support for the National Writing Project. Chad and his colleagues at the Cooperative Catalyst blog are collecting blog posts from Writing Project teachers and friends of the NWP that detail the impact of Writing Project involvement on teachers’ and students’ lives. Chad and others are simultaneously pushing those messages out to members of Congress, the White House, and the Department of Education, via Twitter. The hashtag #blog4NWP is being used to signify these posts. The goal is to reach 1,000 blog posts by April 8th to raise awareness about federal funding cuts to the National Writing Project.

join the movement...
Already have a blog? If so, post in your own blog and send the link to Chad via Twitter (@chadsansing), or email (csansing@gmail.com). Chad will collect and publish the links on the Coöp (http://coopcatalyst.wordpress.com/2011/03/15/the-blog4nwp-archive/).

Create a blog: There are several, easy to use blog services out there that take minutes to set up and are free. All come with simple setup instructions and all you need is an email address. Here are a few we recommend:
- Blogger: http://www.blogger.com
- Posterous: https://posterous.com
- Wordpress: https://wordpress.com

Once you set up your blog and write your post, send the link to Chad via Twitter (@chadsansing), or email (csansing@gmail.com).

Tweet it: If you tweet your post, don’t forget to add the #blog4NWP hashtag and please include at least one of the following in your tweet: @EdPressSec, @Ed_Outreach, or @whitehouse.

If you don’t have a Twitter account, don’t worry. Just send the link of your piece to Chad at csansing@gmail.com and he’ll tweet it.
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Use our blog: NWP has created a Posterous group blog as another way for people to participate. Basically, all you have to do is write an email.

Here’s how:

1. Compose a new email in your favorite email client.
   - The address for the email is: post@blog4nwp.posterous.com
   - The subject should be the headline you want for the post. You can also add tags to a post by putting the following syntax in the subject as well: ((tag: ex1, ex2, ex3))
   - Whatever you type into the body of the message will be the body of your post. You can also attach photos, audio, and video to your message and they will be included in the post.
   - Sign the email with your name and Writing Project site.
   - Send the email.

View the blog: To view the blog go to http://blog4nwp.posterous.com (no “www” in the address).