TOOLS, STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES FOR IMPROVING THE SCHOOL PROGRAM

A LEADERSHIP ACADEMY FOR SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

Meadowview Conference Center
Kingsport, Tennessee
July 7, 2004

Sponsored by the Appalachian Mathematics and Science Partnership (AMSP), Coalfield Rural Systemic Initiative (CRSI), the Appalachian Rural Systemic Initiative (ARSI), The Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) at UVA’s College at Wise, and the Southwest Virginia Public Education Consortium.
ARSI PRINCIPALS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN Tools, Strategies, and Resources for Improving the School Science and Mathematics Program, a leadership academy for principals across the Central Appalachian region. The academy will be held on July 7, 2004, at the Meadowview Resort and Conference Center in Kingsport, Tennessee. The program will focus on research and standards-based strategies and resources, which can improve learning opportunities for all students. The agenda is designed to provide an overview of a number of practices which impact professional development, classroom monitoring, and data analysis, which are all critical aspects of every principal's work, especially in these years when the No Child Left Behind legislation is putting an increasing focus on student achievement in mathematics, science and literacy.

The academy is being sponsored by science and mathematics improvement projects currently being implemented in the Central Appalachian region, which have joined in a collaborative effort called the W.I.S.E. Council (Working to Improve Systemic Education). The primary agencies providing financial and logistical support for this effort include: the Appalachian Mathematics and Science Partnership (AMSP), Coalfield Rural Systemic Initiative (CRSI), the Appalachian Rural Systemic Initiative (ARSI), The Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) at UVA's College at Wise, and the Southwest Virginia Public Education Consortium. Your school district is a partner in one or more of these projects, which entitles you to participate at no individual cost to you or your district.

Costs for the Academy, including lodging, food and travel to the workshop site, are paid for all participants. Each participant's room on Tuesday evening, July 6, as well as breakfast and lunch on July 7, at the Meadowview Resort and Conference Center, will be billed to the project. Roundtrip mileage from each participant's home to the Meadowview Resort will be reimbursed at $.32 per mile. Meals and/or any other overnight stay required during travel to and from the meeting will be the responsibility of the participant.

A meeting agenda and registration form for the Tools, Strategies, and Resources for Improving the School Science and Mathematics Program Leadership Academy are attached. Please note that the registration form must be sent to Barbara Willis, via email or by fax, at the Southwest Virginia Public Education Consortium no later than June 1, 2004. Barbara's contact information is included on the Registration Form.

We hope that you will participate in this timely and informative conference which will help you continue your development as an instructional leader for your school.
Tools, Strategies, and Resources for Improving the School Science and Mathematics Program – A Leadership Academy for Principals at all Levels
July 7, 2004
Agenda

7:30-8:15 a.m. Breakfast/Registration
8:15-9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
9:00-9:50 a.m. General Session – Dr. Jo Lynne DeMary, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Virginia Department of Education
10:00-10:55 a.m. Concurrent Sessions A, B, C, D
11:00-12:00 a.m. General Session - Dr. Glenn DeBois, Chancellor, Virginia Community College System
12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch
1:00-1:55 p.m. Concurrent Sessions C, D, E, F
2:00-2:55 p.m. Concurrent Sessions E, F, G, H
3:00-3:55 p.m. Concurrent Sessions G, H, A, B
4:00 p.m. Evaluations/Door Prizes

Concurrent Sessions:

A: Understanding Characteristics of Quality Standards-based Materials - Anita Deck (AEL), Sandy Sheatsley (CRSI)

B: Research-based Instruction That Works - Jewell Askins (CTE)

C: Using Data/Getting Results - Judy Compton (AMSP), Brenda Edwards (ARSI), David Yates (CRSI)

D: Monitoring Classroom Instruction Using a Pocket PC/Website System - Stephen Henderson (ARSI/AMSP)

E: Teacher Cadets - Barbara Willis (Southwest Virginia Public Education Consortium)

F: Supervising Mathematics Classrooms Moving to a Standards and Inquiry/Problem Solving-Based Approach - Rhonda Allen (AMSP)

G: Supervising Science Classrooms Moving to a Standards and Inquiry-Based Approach - Kim Zeidler (ARSI) and Karen Kidwell Malphrus (KDOE)

H: Bridging the Gap Between High School and College - Marcia Mitchell (UVA-Wise)
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Please send registration information to Barbara Willis or Adrienne Plaster
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1 College Avenue, Wise, VA 24293
Email: bmw7c@uvawise.edu or ap2g@uvawise.edu - Must “FORWARD” Do Not hit Reply”
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DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: June 1, 2004

Name ________________________ Position ________________________
School District __________________ School _________________________
School Address ________________________________________________
City, State, Zip Code  ____________________________________________
E-Mail _______________ Phone _______________ FAX __________________
Home Address _________________________________________________
City, State, Zip Code ____________________________________________
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