



OOPS: Our Overnight Planning System

Context-embedded Professional Development

Session Topics

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New for 2007

Sticky Lessons:

“Sticky” Lessons are carefully crafted brain-based, learning experiences that **STICK** or **Stay** with students long after the bell rings to end class. Through gentle tweaking and adherence to a few “Sticky” Principles, participants will learn to tap into the memories of students and improve both performance and retention. Come join us in a fast-paced, interactive and FUN session that will bring handouts and humor to Monday morning’s classroom.

Differentiate, Don’t

Debilitate: Imagine shadowing a student for a day at your school. What would you see? How would you feel after a day of school from the student’s perspective? You might decide to match student learning needs with the best kind of learning activity. Learn to directly apply cohesive differentiation strategies for all students in the mixed ability classroom. Special emphasis for gifted students.

Reaching At-Risk Kids with

Technology Tools: At-Risk Learners are the fastest growing group of learners in our classrooms. Understand the characteristics of At-Risk Learners and discuss ways that technology and the internet can help. Apply your new knowledge to create a workable plan of templates and best practices to implement in your school year.

Tech Integration Topics

A+Portfolios: Learn to plan, blueprint, build, and manage digital and online portfolios that will accompany students through school to first interviews.

Digital Photography:

Getting A Clearer Picture: Get the inside scoop on the use of digital cameras by teachers and their students.

Dot Tots: Early Childhood-

Grade 2: Technology integration is important for even our youngest learners. Come and see what fun adventures await!

Go the Distance-(Learning):

On Your Mark, Get Set, Go! Set a measured pace with the latest tools for distance learning, including course materials, rubrics, and assessment. No Sweat!!!

Invisible Web: Now You

See It, Now You Search: Venture into advanced searching within the invisible web. Illuminate previously unknown resources with targeted queries.

Learning Center Synergy:

Synergy is the Power of the TEAM! Learning Centers in all grade levels bring individualized instruction into the classroom.

MSOffice 4 Terrific

Teachers: Discover MS Office through guided tours of the four modules. Depart with shortcuts, tips, and plans for integration.

Mindmap\$ by the Million\$:

Mindmaps are rich resources that cash-in on learning connections. Graphic organizers reap big dividends between lesson delivery and student concept mastery.

Navigating the Cyber

Jungle: It’s a jungle out there!

Finding the path can leave you buggy. Our adventure features hands-on access, time to create, and what quicksand sites to avoid.

Next Quest Webquests:

A natural, next step for teachers already familiar with this curriculum structure. See what’s new!

OnLine & OnTask:

HOTS & technology integration go digital with super digital ideas and methods. Our most popular topic!!

PBL & The Net:

Make PBL a central tenet of curriculum planning with innovative student projects based on real-time web information, collaboration, and investigation.

Multimedia Showcase for

Your Classroom: Lights, Camera, Action! Discover exciting new ways to add the dynamics of multimedia authoring, audio, video, and graphics to your lessons and student products.

Virtual Passports: Virtual field trips take learning beyond school walls to National monuments, museums, landmarks and more. You can get there-virtually- from here!

{WEB} Surfing Safari:

The Internet has great resources for teachers, but finding them can take waves of time. Instead, dive in and surf the web with our 10 timely targeted search strategies!

Gifted Education Topics

GT Update Credit Available

Gifted Express: Raise the I.Q. (Instructional Quotient) of your classroom with a special delivery of strategies on the nature and needs of gifted learners in the K-12 classroom.

Blooming Gardner: Plant learning seeds cultivated from Gardner’s Multiple Intelligence approach. A creative harvest of interdisciplinary lessons & activities.

Layered Curriculum & the Net: Curriculum compounding and student choice are pillars of this integrated approach to learning.

Reading and Literacy

Strategies for Struggling

Readers: Interdisciplinary, research-based, curriculum modeling of procedures for helping students with decoding, fluency, vocabulary, and text comprehension.

Reading Across the

Curriculum: Every teacher is a reading teacher! Learn ways to teach Mastery of instructional strategies such as note-taking, summarization, and much more to help students succeed in all daily content courses.

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Half-Day or Full-Day Options:

Digital Literacy:

Use Internet websites, eBooks, digital storytelling, and more to help K-6 students strengthen reading and writing ability.

Integrated Reading

Assessment: With technology, assessment practices move beyond isolated skills measurement to a comprehensive, systematic, personalized, integrative plan for intervention.

Superb Reading Websites:

Divide/Conquer/Distill the overwhelming number of websites devoted to reading. We will showcase the best of the BEST!

New Equations=Reading Standards + Technology:

Coach better readers through the OOPS standards-based approach emphasizing active content engagement, connecting students' prior knowledge, graphic organizers, and much more.

Curriculum Support

Non-CORE & More!

Can technology help in the elective or non-CORE subject classroom? You bet your blog it can!

Classy Classrooms: A fun session to diagnose your teaching style and student learning styles.

Curious Kids: Student research goes high tech! Learn to motivate student interest using hypertext writing, the Big 6, web research.

How to Keep 'Em Busy, So They Won't Drive You

Batty: You have computers, ideas and students. Blend them with cooperative groups, jigsaw techniques & organizational tips to manage your connected classroom.

I'm Not Going to Do It and

You Can't Make Me: Power Speech dialogue and proactive discipline win challenging students. Visit and learn how.

Lean, Mean, Thematic

Machine: Work-out with the thematic curriculum approach. Online activities strengthen content and process through innovative products and student skill mastery.

Lesson Plan Logistics:

In this session, teachers arrive with current lesson plans. Through our "3=30" model, teachers add activities, projects, quizzes, websites, and more into their existing lesson plans.

Magical Modifications:

Differentiate curriculum before you can say, "abracadabra." No tricks to craft unique lesson modifications with our bewitching array of ideas.

Trekking Through the TA

TEKS: Boldly go where no educator has gone before. "Live Long & Prosper" with technology application prototypes.

Writing and Tech: Many students give skeletal responses to writing. Technology provides strategies to add depth, sequencing and clarity to your students' writing.

Authentic Assessment

Quizzes, Surveys, & Rubrics...Oh My! The answer is personalized student evaluation via free websites, observational techniques, and template materials created in this fast-paced session.

Future Funding

Grant Writing: Show Me The Money: Turn your RFP into reality! Discover funding sources, pitfalls to avoid, and tips to create your own tech grant proposal.

New-to-Tech Training

You Are What You Tweak:

An Ounce of Prevention is worth hours of tech support waiting. Receive a crash course in hardware/software basics, computer crash warning signs, triage, and resuscitation.

MSoftware 4 Terrific

Teachers: Discover MS Office through guided tours of Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Access. Depart with ideas, shortcuts, tips, and plans for classroom integration.

One Computer Classroom:

There is digital power in ONE! One computer, connected to the Internet can enliven whole-group instruction. You will be amazed how easy it is!

CORE Subject Integration

for K-3, 3-5, 6-8, High School

Fine Arts	Math
Language Arts	Science
Social Studies	History
CATE	Tech Prep.
Advanced Placement/IB	Special Education

In-Depth Assistance

OOPS Interact:

Interact by OOPS is a 3 or 4-day modeling session in classrooms of teachers using best practices for technology integration. Teachers observe OOPS Consultants in the implementation of a CORE curriculum, technology-integrated lesson. A recap final day completes this collaborative learning experience for teachers.

PDAS Assistance:

OOPS Consultants work with first-year teachers or teachers requiring special assistance with the objectives and requirements contained in the PDAS evaluation instrument.