

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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June Dates:

Thursday, June 3, 2010

9:30 RESA BOC Meeting

10:00 SW GA SSA Meeting

Speaker: Rev. Mike Keown

Thursday, June 10, 2010

State Board of Education Meeting

DISCIPLINE STRATEGIES FOR THE CLASSROOM

Southwest Georgia RESA will begin wrapping up the 2009-10 school term by offering Discipline Strategies for the Classroom. Dr. Jordan Walker, Jordan Reeves Associates, presents a school-wide discipline program that empowers all staff to prevent problems, minimize power struggles, de-escalate discipline problems and manage disruption without relying on the principal. Preventing discipline issues, responding positively to problem behavior and successful strategies for teachers in all grade levels will be the hot topic of this two day training. This session will be on **June 1 & 2, 2010**, at the **Pelham City High School Auditorium (location has been changed)** in **Pelham** from **9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. each day**. Please register for this workshop by completing the pre-registration form located on the SW GA RESA website (www.swresa.org) or call Helen Smith at 229-207-0600.

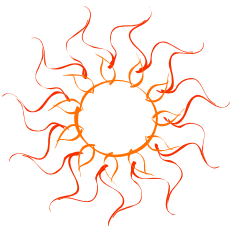
SCIENCE EDUCATOR'S CONFERENCE

Southwest Georgia RESA will host a **Science Educator's Conference** on **June 8 and 9, 2010**. This workshop will take place at the Pelham Middle School, 209 Mathewson Avenue, Pelham, and will meet from **9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.** each day. Elementary, Middle School and High School Science teachers are the targeted participants. The conference offers many benefits including hands-on sessions, mini-inquiry labs, vocabulary and assessment strategies, teaching stations and much more. Dr. Juan Carlos Aguilar, GaDOE Science Program Manager, and Mr. Steve Rich, Science Program Specialist will present the state of science in Georgia. Scientists and representatives from regional science resources will also share their knowledge and expertise with the group, for example, RiverQuarium, St. Marks, Joseph W. Jones Ecological Research Center and Georgia Conservancy. Participants attending both days will earn 1 PLU. Please register for this workshop by completing the pre-registration form located on the SW GA RESA website (www.swresa.org) or call Helen Smith at 229-207-0600.



TAPP UPDATE for FY11

Southwest Georgia will continue to provide teacher alternative preparation programs for 2010-11. The initial training "Essentials of Effective Teaching" for new candidates will be **July 19-23, 2010** at **SW GA GLRS, 915 S. McKinley Street, Albany**, from **9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. daily**. *Candidates who will be directed into the One-Year Supervised Practicum (OYSP) path to certification will only need to attend the first day of this training, July 19, 2010.* The application deadline for people already employed by each school system is May 30, 2010, while the application deadline for new hires will be July 6, 2010. The application is located at every central office and our website, (www.swresa.org). Please remember that the fee for entering these programs will be \$3,500.00 per candidate and is due "in full" on the first day of the initial training session. If a system is paying this fee, please provide a purchase order with a purchase order number.



A perfect summer day is
when the sun is shining,
the breeze is blowing,
the birds are singing,
and the lawn mower is
broken
James Dent

JUNE ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRS RETIREMENT WORKSHOPS

Southwest Georgia RESA will host TRS Retirement meetings again this year at the Camilla office (570 Martin Luther King, Jr. Road). The sessions are as follows:

Mid-Career Workshop/Presentation

Tuesday, June 8, 2010, from 9:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in Room 702

Pre-Retirement Workshop/Presentation

Tuesday, June 8, 2010, from 1:30 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. in Room 702

Individual Pre-Retirement Counseling Sessions

Wednesday, June 9, 2010, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Registration Instructions:

1. Visit www.trsga.com
2. Click on Workshops and Counseling at the top center of the homepage.
3. "How Do I Sign Up?" will direct registrants to the Account Login button.
4. Either log in to your existing account OR sign up for a new one (see the green box to the left).
5. Click on Register for Workshop/Counseling.
6. Select the event and fill out the information.
7. You will receive an automatic email confirmation once your registration goes through.
8. Please contact the TRS Call Center at 800-352-0650 if you have difficulty registering for an event.

STANDARDS BASED CLASSROOM CONTINUES

During FY11, Southwest Georgia RESA will offer two cohorts of Standards-Based Classroom (SBC) 101 courses for K-5 and 6-12. Model classrooms, with research-based strategies, will be used for the training sessions. Differentiation, Assessment and Re-teaching will be the major topics discussed. All sessions indicated in the chart to the right begin at 8:30 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. Training locations will be announced at a later date.

| Cohort 1 (K-5) | | Cohort 2 (K-5) | |
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| Day 1 | September 20, 2010 | Day 1 | September 21, 2010 |
| Day 2 | October 12, 2010 Instruction | Day 2 | October 14, 2010 Instruction |
| Day 3 | November 15, 2010 Assessment | Day 3 | November 16, 2010 Assessment |
| Cohort 1 (6-12) | | Cohort 2 (6-12) | |
| Day 1 | September 28, 2010 | Day 1 | September 29, 2010 |
| Day 2 | October 20, 2010 Instruction | Day 2 | October 21, 2010 Instruction |
| Day 3 | November 18, 2010 Assessment | Day 3 | November 19, 2010 Assessment |
| Differentiated Instruction | | | |
| Day 1 | October 5, 2010 | Day 3 | December 1, 2010 |
| Day 2 | October 6, 2010 | Day 4 | December 2, 2010 |

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING ACTIVITIES

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| June 1/2 | 9:00-3:00 | Discipline Strategies/Jordan Walker | Pelham City High School Auditorium Pelham |
| June 7/8 | 9:00-3:00 | Math 3-Statistics Content /Frances Kelly | Frank McCoy, Jr. Educational Center, Pelham |
| June 8 | 9:00-10:30 | Mid-Career Retirement Workshop | SW GA RESA, Room 702, Camilla |
| June 8 | 1:30-3:00 | Pre-Retirement Workshop | SW GA RESA, Room 702, Camilla |
| June 9 | 9:00 | Individual Pre-Retirement Counseling Sessions | SW GA RESA, Room 702 & 706, Camilla |
| June 8/9 | 9:00-3:00 | Science Consortium | Pelham Middle School |
| June 9/10 | 9:00-3:00 | Math 3-Statistics/Unit Writing/L. Meyer | SW GA RESA, Room 704, Camilla |