UAB Regional Inservice Center

Workshops – 2017

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http://uabregionalinservicecenter.com

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Dear Teachers and Administrators,

Summer of 2017 is finally here. We know you are looking forward to relaxing and enjoying vacation months ahead, but remember they can be educational also. The UAB Regional Inservice Center wants to make you aware of a variety of workshops this summer that we hope you will find interesting and helpful. They are filled on a first come basis. Please note that each workshop has a specific registration procedure you should follow.

Workshops provided by the UAB Regional Inservice Center are free of charge. Other workshops in this brochure are sponsored by external agencies. A limited number of scholarships are available for these fee-based workshops. Please contact your school system’s professional development director if you are interested in receiving a scholarship.

If you register in STIPD for a workshop and cannot attend, please go in and cancel your reservation.

Boyd Rogan, Director
UAB Regional Inservice Center
1720 2nd Avenue South, EB229
Birmingham, AL 35294-1250
**Teaching Conservation in the Classroom**  
The Birmingham Zoo  
June 12-16  
STIDP #UABRIC1092

The Birmingham Zoo is proud to offer this NEW workshop for middle and high school educators focusing on conservation. Based on a workshop offered at the San Diego Zoo’s Institute for Conservation Research, this week-long program will provide you with content knowledge from experts in the field and first-hand experiences using the Birmingham Zoo as your classroom. Cost is $200. For more information, contact Kathy Fournier, School Programs Manager, 205-397-3862.

**Teachers, Students and the First Amendment**  
Lincoln PD Center, 901 9th Avenue North, Birmingham, 35204  
June 20, 9:00-12:00  
STIDP #UABRIC1053

Where do teachers’ and students’ First Amendment rights begin and end? This session focuses on religion in public schools, social media and relevant court decisions, teacher and student speech and other issues pertaining to public schools and the First Amendment.

**Don’t Expose Yourself**  
Lincoln PD Center, 901 9th Avenue North, Birmingham, 35204  
June 20, 1:00-4:00  
STIDP# UABRIC1054

Protect yourself from liability in the school environment. Learn about your duty of care; what constitutes negligence, ministerial duty vs. discretionary function; how to qualify for immunity and other important topics.

**Dyslexia Simulation Training**  
Lincoln PD Center, 901 9th Avenue North, Birmingham, 35204  
June 14 and July 12, 9:00-12:00 and 1:00-4:00 (choose one)  
STIDP# UABRIC01104

This dyslexia simulation is a hands-on experience. The simulation is designed to increase awareness of the difficulties and frustration that individuals with dyslexia (specific language learning challenge) encounter daily. The intent of this experience is to lead to greater empathy and understanding and provide insight into working more effectively with these individuals. During this simulation, participants will engage in situations designed to stimulate various language-related tasks similar to those encountered in the classroom and workplace. Each experience will last approximately 10-15 minutes allowing time for debriefing and reflection led by a trained facilitator. This is not a “train the trainer” professional development. All materials used and rights to facilitate this simulation are reserved by the Shelton School in Dallas, Texas. **This session is appropriate for teachers grades K-12; Special Education teachers (K-12), Instructional Coaches/Partners, and Administrators. This is a 3-hour learning experience.**
AMSTI-UAB Math Academy
AMSTI-UAB is offering a Math Academy June 22-23, 26-27 (4 days total). Math Academy K-5 is going to be a deeper look into the Domains of Math for each grade level K-5. Standards based activities will be used to explore grade level math content. Differentiated Instruction, Math Discourse, Number Talks and student engagement are imbedded topics within this professional development. The secondary Math Academy will focus on grades 6-12 Alabama Course of Study content deepening sessions on the standards that are harder to teach during the school year. There will be special emphasis on facilitating mathematical discourse in the classroom. To register please email: kaparson@uab.edu or call AMSTI-UAB at 205-996-6998.

Active Reading Whole Group Fun
Lincoln PD Center, 901 9th Avenue North, Birmingham, 35204
June 29, 9:00-11:30 A.M.
STIPD #UABRIC01106
Would you love to be a “fly on the wall” and see a Whole Group reading lesson that is lively, engaging and motivational for your students? As they say “a picture is worth a thousand words”! Come take a front row seat and watch an exciting Whole Group Reading Lesson that will motivate you to go back to the classroom with renewed passion and excitement and is rooted in reading research. In this session, you will be empowered with LOTS of great ideas to keep students excited about learning to read! You will return to your own classroom with renewed vision and strength! Join us for this energizing session and find out just what an Active Reading Whole Group lesson looks like!!

Skill and Drill Is Such a Thrill
Lincoln PD Center, 901 9th Avenue North, Birmingham, 35204
June 29, 1:00-3:30 P.M.
STIPD #UABRIC01107
You may have heard that skilling and drilling is old school….but if that’s true, why are so many Fortune 500 companies bringing it back into their own training sessions? Repetition of specific skills is now supported by current research and significantly increases memory retention. Skill and Drill is one sure fire way to make sure your students are confident and capable to decode, achievement automaticity, and become fluent readers. Come and see how skill and drill can be a thrill, keep all students engaged at a high level and even be fun for you as a teacher.

Children’s Literature the Fun Way!
Lincoln PD Center, 901 9th Avenue North, Birmingham, 35204
July 11, 9:00-12:00
STIPD #UABRIC1057
Target Participants: Elementary Teachers
Are you tired of the same old books? Have you been searching for some activities to go with the books you are currently using? If you are always on the look-out for new and exciting literature-related activities to try with your students, then this is the workshop for you! With over 65 years of combined experience, these presenters will “knock your socks off” with amazing ideas you can use in your classroom. The presenters will introduce you to the “tried and true” books, as well as some titles which may be unknown to you. The Accelerated Reader Program will be discussed in relation to the incredible books we share. If you enjoy reading and hearing good books, then this is the workshop for you! There will be a “share” time, so bring your own book ideas to share with others.
**Christmas in July!**
Lincoln PD Center, 901 9th Avenue North, Birmingham, 35204
July 11, 1:00-4:00 P.M.
STIPD #UABRIC1058
Target Participants: Elementary Teachers

Is Christmas a special time of the year for you and your students? Are you at a loss for special activities to use with your students to make this time even more special? In a world of standardized testing, do you find it difficult to make time for seasonal activities? We will show you that you do not have to eliminate the “fun stuff” while covering the required ACOS objective. This workshop will be packed full of ideas to make the month of December come alive for your students! Arts and crafts projects, bulletin boards, and seasonal books, are just a few of the topics covered in this fun and exciting workshop. Come prepared to take lots of notes and to share some of your own wonderful ideas.

**American History Like You Have Never Seen It Before!**
Lincoln PD Center, 901 9th Avenue North, Birmingham, 35204
July 12, 9:00-12:00
STIPD# UABRIC01105
Target Participants: Elementary Teachers, History Enthusiasts

Would you like to increase ACT Aspire scores through history instruction? Would you like some tips on getting students motivated to complete research projects? Sadly, history is often pushed aside for other subjects. If you believe the teaching of American History is vital, or if you need help making this subject “come alive” for your students, then this is the workshop for you! Presenters will walk you through important events in American History through 1877. Topics will include: Early Explorers to America, Native Americans, Events Leading to the American Revolution, the American Revolution, our Early Government, our Constitution and Bill of Rights, Westward Expansion, the War of 1812, and the Civil War. Presenters will also share children’s literature to fit each subject area, research projects and field trip ideas. In addition, we will also be sharing with you some interesting YouTube videos that fit with each subject area of American History. If you want to make history a time your students look forward to each day, then we look forward to seeing you at this fast-paced, fun, “living history” workshop!

**Math the Fun Way!**
Lincoln PD Center, 901 9th Avenue North, Birmingham, 35204
July 12, 1:00-4:00
STIPD #UABRIC1055
Target Participants: 1st-5th Grade Teachers

Would you like to increase your ACT Aspire mathematics scores? Do you sometimes feel “bogged down” with teaching mathematics objectives/standards? Do you feel there is no room for creativity anymore? Do you believe there HAS to be a better way of teaching mathematics? If so, this is the workshop for you! You will learn practical tips for those difficult mathematics objectives, making it easier and fun for your students to learn. Topics will include: practical tips, special projects, and communicating math standards with parents. Come prepared to take lots of notes and to share any math tips you may have.
Legacy Educator Excursions
Register at http://legacyenved.org/educator-workshops

All Legacy excursions require a $100 non-refundable application fee for Non-Partners (a portion of this deposit will give the applicant a one-year membership in Legacy’s Partnership Program) or a $75.00 non-refundable application fee for all Legacy Partners. The Partnership Program allows environmentally aware individuals to assist us in providing balanced, fact-based environmental education programs and materials to citizens throughout our state. Remember your contribution to Legacy is tax deductible. As a Legacy Partner, you will receive discounts on the remaining Legacy workshops for that year.

Participants will receive a certificate of completion, professional development hours and many FREE classroom materials.

- Lodging, meals, and materials for the excursions are provided. Legacy is not able to cover substitute teachers and travel expenses to and from the excursion location.
- Any K-12 educator currently teaching within the State of Alabama, any person about to or who has already graduated with an Education Degree, graduate students with an Education Degree or other environmental educators may apply to attend.
- Contact David Matson at 1-800-240-5115 or david@legacyenved.org for more information

Legacy excursions include activities that will be strenuous (e.g. hiking up steep hills in warm weather and canoeing.) If you have any medical problems that would prevent you from strenuous activity, it is advised that you do not attend these excursions.

Southern Roots: The Edible Garden in the Classroom
June 12-14 – Camp McDowell Farm School

Want to get students excited about learning more about the environment and their connection to it? Join us for a first-hand look at an education farm as we explore its importance to our everyday lives. The McDowell Farm School at Camp McDowell plays host to this 3-day excursion focused on food, sustainability, and the surrounding ecosystem. Participants will learn about edible gardens and methods for creating them in their own schools. Participants will be led through a Farm to Table activity that will have educators harvesting and preparing their own meals from local seasonal foods in the McDowell Teaching Kitchen. You will learn how to teach culinary arts, composting, the importance of pollinators in the edible garden, and how to connect hands on activities to the curriculum. We will also have the opportunity to swim in Clear Creek and paddle boat in McDowell’s lake as we explore the connection between our farm and forests!

Mountains to the Gulf: Helping Teachers Make Connections
June 25-July 2 – 8 Days Across the Great State of Alabama

Leading scientific experts will guide 20 educators throughout the state of Alabama, sharing their collective knowledge of the Waters, Geology, Flora and Fauna to show how all things are connected! Your journey begins in Northwest Alabama at Camp McDowell Environmental Center, then zig-zag in a chartered bus across the state on an educational adventure of a lifetime! Visit Cheaha State Park – Alabama’s highest point, kayak the Coosa River, visit the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center, and search for fossils in south Alabama streams. The final destination will be Dauphin Island Sea Lab, where educators will visit the Gulf shoreline and waters. Uncover the unique geology of Alabama with Jim Lacefield, author of Lost Worlds in Alabama Rocks. Wade the streams of Alabama with Bill Deutsch, founder of Alabama Water Watch. Heather Montgomery author and Geologist will guide you through canyons and mountains seeing the geology of Alabama first-hand. Track the reintroduction of the federally threatened Eastern Indigo Snake in the Conecuh Forest with herpetologist, Jimmy Stiles. **Not strenuous and is appropriate for most physical abilities.**

Alabama’s Amazing Arthropods: Bugs, Spiders, and Crayfish
July 24-26 – Cheaha State Park

Arthropods are considered the most successful animals on the planet. Arthropods have been found living on land, sea and air. They make up nearly 75% of all known living and fossilized organisms. Alabama, of course, has thousands of arthropod species. Join Legacy and Park Naturalists from both Cheaha and DeSoto State Parks, and the Conservation Education Institute on Alabama’s tallest peak to learn about these amazing creatures. This excursion includes stream ecology walks, night hikes, an insect diversity walk and talk and much more.
Cutting Edge Research and Laboratory Experiences to Enhance Your Middle School Science Curriculum

2017 Program

Dates
July 10-14 with Saturday Follow-Up Sessions during school year

Hours
9 AM – 3 PM

Location
McWane Science Center
200 19th St N
Birmingham, AL 35203

Contact Information
Katie Busch, Ed. S.
kabusch@uab.edu
205-934-5171

GeoTeach is a one-week intensive middle school science program providing teachers with innovative research and laboratory techniques to bring into their middle school classrooms.

Designed especially to address the new Alabama state science standards, this program is perfect for teachers looking to dig deeper and those who are looking for support in implementing these new standards.

The days are structured into two sections, with laboratory experiences in the morning and lectures from renowned UAB faculty about new research avenues in the afternoon. The morning laboratory sessions will focus on understanding and using inquiry-based laboratory modules in the classroom.

Modules will include hands-on lab activities that can be done in the classroom as well as field experiments. Participants will receive materials to use in their classrooms.

These modules will be available for the teachers to utilize during the school year. We will have three additional professional development days throughout the school year to discuss problems, troubleshoot, and share best practices. Participating teachers will receive $100/completed day as well as credit in STI PD for all completed hours.

To Register Please Visit: https://www.uab.edu/alahasp/register
Summer 2017 | Birmingham, Alabama
Thursday, June 22 | Friday, June 23

Register at uab.edu/midsouthconference

Keynote Speakers

Lynn Dorfman  
Rebecca Dotlich  
Duncan Tonatiuh  
Cris Tovani

Registration Fees

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Kelly Hill (kltb@uab.edu)
# The Gulf Coast Conference on the Teaching of Writing

**June 26-29, 2017**  
**Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort**  
**Destin, Florida**  

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<td>Author of Razzell Dazzell Writing: Writing Superstars; Writing Camp: E-Book; Picture Speller For Young Writers; Dynamite Writing Ideas; Primary Pizzazz Writing; The Astonishing Journey of Teddy Bodain. Nationally known author, speaker, and educational writing consultant; <em>National Consultant</em></td>
<td>Author of Reading for Their Life; Reading and Writing for Resiliency; The Autobiography of Malcolm X: A Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass; Teaching Reading to Black Adolescent Males: Closing the Achievement Gap. Associate Professor, University of Illinois at Chicago, Nationally know author and speaker</td>
<td>Co-Author of &quot;Formative Assessment as a Compass: Looking at Student Work as an Intentional Part of On-Going Professional Development&quot;. Leadership Team for College Ready Writers Program with the National Writing Project. Co-Director of Ohio Writing Project. Miami University, Oxford, OH</td>
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## Conference Schedule

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*Conference lodging*  
Arrangements for lodging (special conference rate of $165 [reg rm]; $205 [Bayside 1 bdrm]; $215 [Luu studio]; $245 [Luu 1 bdrm] + tax for up to four persons) should be made directly with the Sandestin Group Reservations Office at **800-320-8115** before **May 26, 2017**.  
To receive this special rate, please mention **Group Code: 23N29J**

The 2017 Gulf Coast Conference on the Teaching of Writing is sponsored by **Alabama’s Regional Inservice Centers**

For more information about the conference, go to [http://trojan.troy.edu/searlce/gcc.html](http://trojan.troy.edu/searlce/gcc.html)

## Registration Form

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Mail registration with fees to:  
**Gulf Coast Conference**  
032 Hawkins Hall  
Troy University  
Troy, AL 36082  
(334)670-3494; FAX (334)670-3621  
fgalen@troy.edu

- **$120 Early Bird Registration by May 12, 2017**  
- **$145 Regular Registration by June 12, 2017**  
- **$165 Registration after June 12, 2017**

*Call to pay via credit card.*  
(Registration includes: Keynotes, Writing Workshops, Concurrent Sessions, morning breaks, Tuesday Luncheon and Wednesday Lunch.)

**Early Bird Registration Deadline:**  
May 12, 2017

**No refunds after:**  
May 26, 2017
We will be offering 5 courses during the Early Bird session. Each course is 6-weeks long and each course earns 30 clock hours. The courses will end prior to the June 30th deadline for this year’s renewal. We will also run 50+ courses during our regular Summer 2017 Semester that begins June 1st (including several PLU courses).

- EDU4452 Assessment in 21st Century Classrooms
- EDU4456 Teaching Student to Think Critically with Data
- EDU4458 Collaboration in the Digital Classroom
- EDU4459 Project Based Learning
- EDU6631 Teaching Students in Blended Classrooms

You can enroll using your Chalkable (STIPD) account. If you do not have one from your school system, send a text to 334-670-1884 with your name, preferred email address, your date of birth and the last 4 digits of your social. Courses are available for registration now through May 5th for the Early Bird session and through June 3rd for the regular Summer 2017 Semester.

Web Link:  http://elearning.alsde.edu
           http://elearning.atim.cc

Email:  elearning@alsde.edu
Phone:  334-670-1884

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