Instructional Technology Training Opportunities

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October 12 - Technology Planning (Session # 32968) Presenter: Lisa McCray

Are you responsible for creating and/or updating your district Technology Plan? Would you like to network with others with this same responsibility? In this session you will review the basic requirements for creation and update of a technology plan including the necessary steps that must be taken prior to development of the plan. Timelines for completion of STaR charts and E-Rate applications will be explored as well as best practices for plan development. Bring your current Technology Plan as well as any other needed resources to this hands-on session.

November 3 – Digital Cameras (Session # 32969) Presenter: Lisa McCray

Would you like to learn how to incorporate the use of digital cameras in the classroom to impact student learning? This session will provide hands-on practice in how to use a digital camera for project-based learning. 50+ project ideas will be explored. Bring your own digital camera or use one of ours.

December 8 – Flip Video Camera (Session # 32974) Presenter: Sherry McElhannon

Lights, Camera, Action! This session will explore the use of a Flip Video Camera in the creation of projects. Participants will learn how to use the camera, download the video file onto a computer and edit the video to complete a project that will be ready for classroom use.

January 12 – Integrating Digital Tools in the Elementary Classroom (Session # 33032)
Presenter: Lisa McCray

With the plethora of available digital tools, digital storytelling (or the sharing of information in a digital format) is easier than ever to incorporate into your lesson plans, no matter what subject you teach. This session will introduce participants to various methods of sharing, and creating, information digitally. All participants will develop a student activity or project that can be immediately used in the classroom. Participants are encouraged to bring a previously taught unit with the intent to practice integration of digital tools.

January 13 - Integrating Digital Tools in the Secondary Classroom (Session # 33067)
Presenter: Sherry McElhannon

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February 3 – Wikis and Webquests (Session # 33033) Presenter: Lisa McCray

Wikis: web pages anyone can edit! WebQuests: multimedia-based, student inquiry activities. Powerful collaboration tools for students and teachers, wikis can be used for individual and group projects, teacher and class web pages, professional development, and much more. This session introduces participants to the creation of WebQuests using a wiki. Participants will use a template to create a WebQuest for immediate use in the classroom.

March 31 – Podcasting for Educators (Session # 33034) Presenter: Lisa McCray

Podcasting provides an avenue for educators and students to have on-the-go access to audio on the web ranging from curriculum-related content to professional development. Podcasting is also a way for faculty and students to publish and distribute content. Come to this session and learn how educators are using podcasting to enhance instruction; the equipment required for producing podcasts; classroom recording basics and methods of distribution for podcasts.

May 6 – Integrating Digital Tools in the Secondary Classroom (Session # 32980)
Presenter: Sherry McElhannon

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May 11 – Integrating Digital Tools in the Elementary Classroom (Session # 33035)
Presenter: Lisa McCray

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October 27 – Web 2.0 Playground – Blogs and Wikis (Session # 32967)
Presenter: Sherry McElhannon

The Internet is no longer a static place to go for information. Web 2.0 has reshaped the context of information, creating a dynamic two-way street where users gather information and then generate and share their own content. But does Web 2.0 have any place in education? The Web 2.0 Playground will showcase selected Web 2.0 tools and provide plenty of hands-on "play time." Participants will learn how Web 2.0 tools can support and enhance classroom instruction. This session will focus on using blogs and wikis.

This session is highly interactive and participants will create a wiki and a blog (or have time to modify an existing wiki or blog)

November 10 – Introduction to Moodle: Building an Online Experience (Session # 33057)
Presenter: Terry Gibbons & Paula Yezak – Temple ISD
Attendees in this one-day face to face workshop will participate as students in an authentic Moodle course in order to experience contemporary online learning. Using this first-hand knowledge they will build their own online environment suitable for use within the framework of existing classrooms, professional collaborations and staff development trainings. Hands-on practice will include popular Moodle features like Wikis, Glossaries, Choices, Forums, Assignments and Quizzes.

November 13 – Web 2.0 Playground – Photo Editing and Image Creation Tools (Session # 32998)
Presenter: Sherry McElhannon

It has been said that a picture is worth a thousand words. But does Web 2.0 have any place in education? The Web 2.0 Playground will showcase selected Web 2.0 tools and provide plenty of hands-on "play time." Learn how to use free Web 2.0 applications to create visually-engaging images to support and enhance classroom instruction. Let your work will speak for itself!

This session is highly interactive. Participants are encouraged to bring pictures or other images for use during the session.

December 4 – SMART Technologies Training (Session # 32972) Presenter: Sherry McElhannon

So you're hooked on the SMART Board and SMART Notebook version 10? Want to do more than just use pre-existing materials and Web sites? Take advantage of the myriad of materials in the Gallery, including the Lesson Activity Toolkit. Learn tips and tricks such as drag and drop, animation, revealing objects using ordering, linking objects to other pages and/or files, and much more! Techniques will be demonstrated with curriculum-based examples in the morning and hands-on/make-it and take-it time will be given in the afternoon. Bring your lesson ideas and a flash drive to save your work and you will be ready to engage your students

January 22 – Get SMART (Session # 32981) Presenter: Sherry McElhannon

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February 16 – Web 2.0 Playground – Google Tools (Session # 32999) Presenter: Sherry McElhannon

Google is more than just a search tool. Collaborate with colleagues, collect and share online data, monitor and participate in discussions, read, talk, watch or publish videos, manage photos, create websites, take virtual field trips, and more! Discover the tools that Google has created to help you make the web's information more accessible and useful to you and your students. Participants will explore innovative ways that teachers are using a variety of Google's free and easy tools to help students learn.

This is a highly interactive session. Participants will be required to create a Google account or use an existing Google account

February 22 – Advanced Moodle: Building Online Assessments (Session # 33058)
Presenter: Terry Gibbons & Paula Yezak – Temple ISD

Participants in this one-day face to face training will discover ways to make the most out of Moodle whether teaching in a traditional classroom or entirely online. Through Moodle's Quiz activity, attendees will learn how to quickly create objective questions automatically scored online. They will learn how to create banks of test questions imported from text book resources like "ExamView". Methods for the creation of fun and informal online activities and assessments using the free "Hot Potatoes" software will also be explored, along with advanced Scorm compliant applications like "Adobe Presenter". Participants will leave with a thorough understanding of how to use and manage the Moodle gradebook. Introduction to Moodle is recommended but not required.

March 1 – Web 2.0 Playground – Video and Video Sharing Tools (Session # 33000)
Presenter: Sherry McElhannon

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This session is highly interactive. Participants are encouraged to bring images or video content for use during the session.