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Custom Training

Currently, the UGA ETC is working with the following educational agencies to offer customized training, including SMART Board and Activ Board training and sessions from our popular Cool Tools series, during the 08-09 school year:



Gwinnett Media Clerks

-Feb. 24 Windows Movie Maker

Madison County High School

-Mar. 13 SMART Board

Elbert County Middle and High Schools

-Mar. 2 CPS and SMART Board

Clarke County

-SMART Board
-Elluminate

Wilkes County

-Math Science Partnership

Some special trainings that we have recently added to our repertoire include:

Thinkfinity.org and Microsoft Expression

Contact us if you are interested in customized training **taught at your school!** <http://etc.coe.uga.edu/special/>

New ETC Service: Elluminate

The UGA ETC can help your school system use Elluminate Live, a rich, collaborative environment for remote training and online meetings. Elluminate includes features such as two-way audio, instant messaging, interactive whiteboard functionality, application sharing, multimedia capabilities, polling and quizzing tools, automatic or manual recording, and more. You can use Elluminate for distance learning, professional development, blended sessions, departmental/administrative meetings, recorded training sessions, remote collaboration via application sharing, and more. Contact us if you would like help using Elluminate in your system.

FY09 Title IID Ed Tech Grant

The primary goal of the Ed Tech program is to improve student academic achievement through the use of technology. In Georgia, the FY09 Title IID Competitive Grant will specifically address a statewide need to increase student academic achievement



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in mathematics grades 6-9 and to meet the needs of the 21st Century learner.

Currently, the UGA ETC is partnering with three systems in our service area to help them write applications for the Ed Tech Grant:

- **Greene County**
- **Clarke County**
- **Commerce City**

Capitol Tech

Our **Elbert County High School Capitol Tech Team** represented us well at the 5th annual Capitol Tech Day held at the State Capitol Building in Atlanta on January 28. We are so proud of the innovative, technology-connected teaching and learning strategies they demonstrated to the legislators who came by their display. For pictures from the event, please visit



http://etc.coe.uga.edu/capitol_tech/showcased_elbert_high.html

If you would like to be considered for this special honor next year, please fill out an application on our website at:

<http://etc.coe.uga.edu/spotlight/>

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GPS

The UGA ETC is hosting the following upcoming GPS sessions in both Athens and Gwinnett (unless otherwise noted):

Feb. 27 Office of Standards, Instruction, and Assessment

Mar. 9 K-5 ELA (Athens)

Mar. 11 K-5 ELA (Gwinnett)

Mar. 18 K-5 Mathematics



slates, visual presenters, and laptops with interactive whiteboard software out to the schools to use them with their students and to demonstrate them to their mentor teachers. The following schools are expected to be tremendously impacted by this technology-armed force of pre-service teachers:

CTAE

The UGA ETC is hosting the following upcoming CTAE sessions in both Athens and Gwinnett (unless otherwise noted):

Feb. 25 Homeland Security

Feb. 26 Law & Justice

Mar. 2 Agriscience Phase I

Mar. 3 Admin/Info. Support

Mar. 4 Consumer Services

Mar. 5 Animal Science (Athens)

Mar. 5 Veterinary Science (Athens)

Mar. 12 Diagnostic Services

Mar. 17 Broadcast Video Production

Mar. 20 Ag. Mech.

Mar. 20 Agribusiness Management

Mar. 23 CCAE Curriculum

Mar. 24 Biotech. Research



Barrow County:

Bramlett Elementary

Statham Elementary

Yargo Elementary

Clarke County:

Alps Road Elementary

Barrow Elementary

Chase Street Elementary

Cleveland Road Elementary

Gwinnett County:

Harbins Elementary

Morgan County:

Morgan County Primary

Oconee County:

Colham Ferry Elementary

Oconee County Primary

Walton County:

Sharon Elementary

Building Technology

Bridges

Our semesterly course—Building Technology Bridges in Education—is well under way with approximately sixty-five pre-service teachers eager to learn about technologies they can use during their student teaching to deliver engaging, standards-based lessons. Not only are these pre-service teachers learning about these technologies in the college classroom, they are taking devices such as student response systems, wireless

This semester, our Agriculture Education pre-service teachers have also returned to learn how to deliver technology connected, standards-based instruction through the use of GPS devices, laser range finders, calculators and scientific probes, and more!

GACE Computer Skill Competency Assessment for Teachers



The UGA ETC will continue offering the GACE Computer Skill Competency Assessment for teachers monthly in both Athens and Gwinnett. Dates for March are:

Athens: March 16

Gwinnett: March 17

For an updated schedule and registration information, please visit our web site at:

<http://etc.coe.uga.edu/gace/>

TTT Grant Update

Attention Elbert Middle, Beaverdam Elementary, and Commerce Primary:

Upcoming meetings are:

February 25, 8-4 (On-site)

March 12, 3-4:30 (Illuminate)

Currently T3 grant team members are focusing on formative assessment and differentiated instruction.



ITEE Grant Update

Attention Elbert High, Greene High, and Social Circle Middle:

Upcoming meetings are:

February 25/26, 8-4 (On-site)

March 10, 8:30-3:30 (ETC)

Currently ITEE grant team members are focusing on differentiated instruction and formative assessment.



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