



November 2008

GaETC and ETC Concurrent Sessions



Don't forget!

The 21st Annual Georgia Educational Technology Conference will be held at the Georgia International Convention Center in Atlanta November 5-7! This year's theme: Keys to Continuous Improvement. New this year is a technology leadership forum, to be held on Nov. 4.

Also special this year will be **concurrent sessions presented by yours truly, the Georgia ETCs**. Be on the lookout for these exciting sessions about resources we are creating to help you with standards-based classrooms, School Keys, Class Keys, GAPSS, and much, much more!

ITEE and T3 Grant Schools: You won't want to miss the following Birds of a Feather sessions, designed just for you!

Birds-of-a-Feather:
T3 Grant Teams
Salon 8 Thursday - 9:30am - 10:30am –Capacity: 260

Birds-of-a-Feather:
ITEE Grant Teams
Salon 8 Thursday - 3:00pm - 4:00pm –Capacity: 260
For more information, visit:
www.gaetc.org.

Announcing December Cool Tools!



The UGA ETC in partnership with the ASU ETC in Albany will offer six Cool Tools sessions on December 1, 2, and 3 at our Athens location. A different session will be taught each morning (8:30-12) and afternoon (1-4:30). Teachers can take three sessions for 1 PLU (\$50) or all six sessions for 2 PLUs (\$100). The sessions (in order) are as follows:

- **Beware of the Blog...Not!**
- **Give Students a Voice (Recording)**
- **Say Cheese (Dynamic Digital Cameras)**
- **Anyone Can Be a Movie Maker (Windows Movie Maker)**
- **Great Googley Moogley! (Google)**
- **Yeah, I Said Free (Free Software and Tools)**

Visit <http://etc.coe.uga.edu/cooltools> for more info.!

CTAE

The UGA ETC will be hosting CTAE training by DOE at our Athens location on the following date:

**Integration of Chemistry into
Food Science
November 11, 8:30—4:00**

Custom Training



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

**Commerce Middle School
Gwinnett Media Clerks
Madison County (Custom
SMART Board Training)**

Contact us if you are interested in customized training **taught at your school! See p.2 for specific Cool Tools Professional Development Program information.**
<http://etc.coe.uga.edu/special/>

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 November are:

**Athens: November 24
Gwinnett: November 26**

For an updated schedule and registration information, please visit our web site at:
<http://etc.coe.uga.edu/gace/>

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Upcoming Title IID DOE Visits



Attention ITEE and

T3 Title IID Grant teams:

Robbie Reasoner and/or Jane Henson of the Department of Education will make a 1/2 day visit to our grant schools on one of the following days - **November 12, 13 or 14.** This is not an evaluation, but rather a great opportunity for them to see how you and the students are using a variety of technologies in appropriate ways.

TTT Grant Update

Attention Elbert Middle, Beaverdam Elementary, and Commerce Primary:



We are currently in the process of scheduling four Elluminate sessions between now and the next ETC meeting, Feb.10. **An onsite support visit has been tentatively scheduled for Nov.19 (Elbert schools) and Nov.20 (Commerce).**

Currently T3 grant team members are focusing on learning how to use their interactive whiteboards, student response devices, visual presenters and wireless slates.

ITEE Grant Update

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



We are currently in the process of scheduling four Elluminate sessions between now and the next ETC meeting, Feb.10. **An onsite support visit has been tentatively scheduled for Nov.19 (Elbert High) and Nov.20 (Greene & Social Circle).**

Currently ITEE grant team members are focusing on using their technology to improve

student achievement; collaborating with grant teachers across their school, region, and state; and mentoring non-grant teachers to share what they have learned.

Oconee County Tech. Fair

Instructors from UGA ETC and NSC ETC will be teaching sessions in support of the Oconee County Technology Fair on November 4th. Elementary teachers will attend sessions in the morning and middle and high school teachers will attend in the afternoon. The ETCs are teaching sessions on the following topics:

- **Word 2007**
- **Best Use of a Classroom Projector with Elementary Science** (via SMART Notebook)
- **Best Use of a Classroom Projector with Elementary Language Arts** (via SMART Notebook)
- **Best Use of a Classroom Projector with Middle/High School Science** (via eInstruction/CPS)
- **Best Use of a Classroom Projector with Middle/High Math** (via eInstruction/CPS)

Contact us if you need support for your upcoming fair or other event!

Cool Tools Professional Development Program



The UGA ETC is scaling its Cool Tools Professional Development Program to surrounding schools in order to deliver practical, on-site instruction aligned to school improvement goals. Check out the following attributes of this program, and contact us for Cool Tools taught at your school!

- **On-site** – at your school, so there is no travel cost or travel time
 - Minimizes the interruption of instruction time
 - Each session is 3.5 hours long
 - Each training day has a morning session and an afternoon session
 - Different teachers participate in the morning or afternoon session
 - Substitute teachers can provide release time for two teachers
 - Teachers can cover for each other
 - **Practical** – use what you already have or free items
 - Professional development occurs over time (3-4 months)
 - Large selection of workshops to choose from (see attached list)
 - Based/Tied to the school's improvement plan
 - Focuses on student learning and teacher growth
 - **Low cost PLUs-** \$30 per teacher per session or \$90 for 1 teacher PLU
 - Each teacher takes 3 sessions (10 hours total)
 - One PLU for each teacher
- Each session needs at least 15 teachers
- How to start Cool Tools at your school:**
- Align with your school goals and school improvement plans
 - Contact the UGA ETC by email or phone: Email: ttc@uga.edu, Athens Ph.: **(706) 542-0240**, Gwinnett Ph.: **(678) 985-6797**
 - We will help you survey your teachers about which sessions are preferred.
 - Coordinate with UGA ETC to schedule dates and times.



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