
Professional Development Information

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Dear Principals,

Because the continued interest in improving student writing at all grade levels, the Oregon Reading Association is offering professional development opportunities for the summer and next school year. The focus will be on teaching writing effectively and the reading-writing connection.

Please share the following professional development opportunities with your staff.

Thank you,

Karen Antikajian

ORA Executive Board

August 16, 2012: A one-day **Summer Institute** at the Eugene Hilton (8:30–3:30) for K-5 educators with writing expert **Megan Sloan**. An elementary teacher in Snohomish, Washington, Megan has published three books on the teaching of writing. She will give advice on facilitating an effective writing workshop as well as ideas for helping students improve their writing. Early Bird Registration is \$95 for ORA members, \$120 for nonmembers. After June 15th registration will be \$115/\$140. A flyer is attached with more information. Seating is limited, so register early. One PSU graduate credit is available for extra cost, attending a post-institute session and related work. See the attached flyer for details and registration form.

November 1, 2012: A one-day **Fall Institute** at the Portland Crowne Plaza for MS and HS educators with teacher and consultant **Kimberly Hill Campbell** who will address meeting the new writing State Common Core standards and the Oregon Essential Skills in Writing across the curriculum. The format of the institute will allow for teams of teachers and administrators to work and plan together during the day. A registration discount will be given to teams of four or more who work together. More details will be posted on the ORA website in the future: www.oregonread.org.

February 8-9, 2013: A two-day **Winter Institute** at the Portland Crowne Plaza for all educators with two nationally known experts. **Lori Ozckus** will present to K-5 educators and **Harvey "Smokey" Daniels** will present to 6-12 educators. The institute will allow for teams of teachers and administrators to work and plan together during the day and the

presenters will be available to give advice. A discount will be given to teams of four or more who work together. More details on the ORA website in the future.

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I am also forwarding some information from Pacific University:

Pacific's Teaching and Learning with Technology Advisory Committee has teamed up with the Oregon Technology in Education Network to put together a wonderful conference for the Fall. The conference is titled Technology in Practice: Learning, Teaching, and the Scholar-Practitioner and will feature peer-reviewed presentations from educators across Oregon and the Northwest. We would like to encourage faculty and staff at Pacific who have been innovating with their teaching to submit a presentation and we enthusiastically invite the entire community to register for the free conference. For more information please see the attached call for proposals or take a look at the conference website at: http://commons.pacificu.edu/oten_conf/

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you at the conference,

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