

Just for You

May/June 2010

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Syracuse Teacher Center & SE-SIS

1) Maintaining a Healthy Lifestyle

Date: Monday, May 3, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
Presenter: Bunny Dimmel, Clary MS Teacher and
Post Standard Columnist

Contact Person: Ellen Thornton

Description: Join our very own Bunny Dimmel, Post Standard columnist and Clary Middle School teacher as she continues a monthly seminar on maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Bunny has been an inspiration to many who face the challenge of maintaining a healthy lifestyle while balancing work and their personal life. Participants will learn about healthy dietary choices and quick and easy recipes to sustain them, they will also have an opportunity to learn how to easily fit exercise into their routine.

Making a lifestyle change is not done overnight. It took a lifetime to establish our current living and eating habits and it takes time to turn things around. If everyone makes small changes, and avoids resorting back to old habits, they can move forward. We need to get on our sneakers, rearrange our eating, and take the steps necessary to promote healthy living.

Registration Deadline: April 30, 2010

2) Intro to SCSD E-Mail

Date: Thursday, May 13, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
Presenter: Stephen Bittner
Contact Person: Stephen Bittner

Description: All SCSD employees have access to a District e-mail account. Attend this workshop if you have any questions about how to log into your account, send and receive messages, send and receive attachments, create a signature file, create a distribution list, and more.

Registration Deadline: May 6, 2010

Please use the registration form on page 2

3) Google

Date: Tuesday, May 18, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
Presenter: Stephen Bittner
Contact Person: Stephen Bittner

Description: Everyone familiar with the Internet is familiar with the Google search engine. This hands-on session will acquaint participants with some of the useful extras built into Google's search engine and go on to explore many other useful Google tools including maps, document sharing, iGoogle and more.

Registration Deadline: May 11, 2010

4) Introduction to the Smart Board

Date: Wednesday, May 19, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
Presenter: Stephen Bittner
Contact Person: Stephen Bittner

Description: Does your building have a Smart Board that you would like to know how to use? Do you already use the Smart Board, but would like to learn some additional tricks or activities? If you answered yes to either of these questions, this workshop is for you. Participants in this hands-on session will learn how to set up a Smart Board and use the Notebook software to create Smart Lessons.

Registration Deadline: May 12, 2010

5) To Thinkfinity and Beyond

Date: Thursday, May 20, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
Presenter: Stephen Bittner
Contact Person: Stephen Bittner

Description: Thinkfinity provides over 55,000 educational resources free to teachers and students. Developed by world-renowned organizations whose members are experts in their fields, these standards-based resources include lesson plans, student materials, reviewed web resources and online interactives. Many of the Thinkfinity resources have been aligned with the New York State Standards.

Registration Deadline: May 13, 2010

6) Survey Says... Words Matter!

Date: Thursday, May 20, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
Presenter: Ellen Thornton
Contact Person: Ellen Thornton

Description: Who do your students think they are?! Who do YOU think they are?! Join us at the Teacher Center for a look at what research says about the language we use in our classrooms, how it influences how our students see themselves and their futures, and shapes their behavior and their achievement.

Registration Deadline: May 13, 2010

Please remind Parents and Educators
**Parent Advisory Board
to Special Education**

Wednesday, May 26th
6:00 P. M. - 8:00 P. M.
Corcoran High School
919 Glenwood Avenue

7) Digital Photography

Date: Thursday, May 27, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
Presenter: Stephen Bittner
Contact Person: Stephen Bittner

Description: Do you have a digital camera that you still haven't figured out how to use? Either bring your camera and the USB cable to this session or use one of the Teacher Center's cameras and learn the basics of digital photography. This session will use the iPhoto, a Macintosh application, and will include inserting pictures in documents and e-mailing digital photos. This is a hands-on workshop for individuals at all experience levels. There will be a discussion on the classroom uses of digital photography. Don't forget to bring your camera and USB cable.

Registration Deadline: May 20, 2010

8) Intro to SCSD E-Mail

Date: Wednesday, June 2, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
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Contact Person: Stephen Bittner

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Registration Deadline: May 26, 2010

May/June 2010 Registration Form

To register for any of these courses please mail, fax, call or e-mail.

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Voice: (315) 435-4217 Fax: (315) 435-4218 E-mail: sdixon@scsd.us

Name: _____ School: _____
Grade: _____ Position: _____ School Phone: _____
Home Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Just for You Workshops you are planning to attend:

- 1. *Maintaining a Healthy Lifestyle (5/3/10)*
- 2. *Intro to SCSD E-Mail (5/13/10)*
- 3. *Google (5/18/10)*
- 4. *Introduction to the Smart Board (5/19/10)*
- 5. *To Thinkfinity and Beyond (5/20/10)*
- 6. *Survey Says... Words Matter! (5/20/10)*
- 7. *Digital Photography (5/27/10)*
- 8. *Intro to SCSD E-Mail (6/2/10)*
- 9. *Introduction to the Smart Board (6/3/10)*
- 10. *Maintaining a Healthy Lifestyle (6/7/10)*
- 11. *Google (6/8/10)*
- 12. *Internet Bookmarking Tools (6/10/10)*
- 13. *To Thinkfinity and Beyond (6/15/10)*
- 14. *Digital Photography (6/17/10)*

Please Note: Offerings made in the Just For You publication are for individual growth and are not Inservice Courses offered through the negotiated contract between the SCSD and STA. These offerings do not lead to contractual pay increments.

9) Introduction to the Smart Board

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10) Maintaining a Healthy Lifestyle

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Registration Deadline: May 31, 2010

11) Google

Date: Tuesday, June 8, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
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Contact Person: Stephen Bittner

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Registration Deadline: June 1, 2010

Onondaga County Youth Court

If you wish to learn more about Youth Court or you would like an application form, please contact Dave Palen at 295-0397 or 395-9700 or by e-mail at youthcourt@newjusticeservices.org. You can also learn about national programs at: <http://www.youthcourt.net>

12) Internet Bookmarking Tools

Date: Thursday, June 10, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
Presenter: Stephen Bittner
Contact Person: Stephen Bittner

Description: There are a variety of free bookmarking tools available to help teachers guide students through Internet activities. These time-saving utilities keep students on task while in the computer lab and are an effective way to share Internet-based activities with other teachers. Online bookmarking is also an essential professional development tool.

Registration Deadline: June 3, 2010

13) To Thinkfinity and Beyond

Date: Tuesday, June 15, 2010
Time: 3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Location: Syracuse Teacher Center/SE-SIS
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Registration Deadline: June 10, 2010

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Just for New

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New Teacher Institute

Syracuse Teacher Center
3:30 P.M.- 5:00 P.M.

A series of monthly informative sessions to introduce new teachers in years 1, 2, 3 to SCSD effective practices.

May 19 Ending Your Year

June 3 Teacher Certification, Model of Practitioner Evaluation

Contact Michele Mazur, New Teacher Induction Facilitator
mmazur@scsd.us or 435-6527

New Teachers

If you have finished your ER&D and New Teacher Orientation requirement you do not have to pay the \$15 registration fee for your first SCSD inservice.

Questions - contact Michele Mazur at 435-6527 or e-mail mmazur@scsd.us

Spring 2010 - Second Chance Sessions! Educational Research and Dissemination (ER&D)

Foundations of Effective Teaching:
Organizing the Classroom Environment
for Teaching and Learning

Newly hired Unit 1 staff members must attend all Modules (A - I) to fulfill their contractual obligation.

Classes will be at the Teacher Center and run from
3:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

Module F May 4 - Interactive Direct Instruction
- Part 2

Modules G/H May 12 - Homework and Praise

Module I June 1 - Time on Task

For questions or to register contact
Michele Mazur 435-6527 or mmazur@scsd.us

P.O.W.E.R Teaching- the ER&D Way!

What is ER&D?

Educational Research and Dissemination is:

- P** - Precise teaching and class management strategies
- O** - Outstanding Level 3 replicated research-based strategies
- W** - Work cannot be done if students are not managed
- E** - Efficiency is at the core of the strategies
- R** - Respect for teaching as ER&D was created by peers for peers

The American Federation of Teachers Educational Research and Dissemination (ER&D) Program is a union-sponsored, research-based professional development program. New teachers have attended ER&D as part of their induction program. The ER&D modules on Effective Classroom Management are good for everyone!

ER&D clinics are for those who attended Foundations 1 - Organizing your classroom environment for teaching and learning and for those who would like a sampling of the modules to learn POWER teaching!

May 18 Effective Group Management - Part 1
June 2 Effective Group Management - Part 2

Contact Michele Mazur, New Teacher Induction Facilitator at
mmazur@scsd.us or 435-6527

Pupil Service Team (PST) Professional Development for Newly Hired PST Members

All sessions will be at the Syracuse Teacher Center from
3:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

May 12th Parent Collaboration

May 26th Community Resources

For questions or to register contact
Michele Mazur 435-6527 or mmazur@scsd.us

Seeking Teachers with a Naturally Inquiring Mind for a Summer Ecosystem Adventure!

6th, 7th and 8th Grade Science Teachers In Central New York Apply Now!

Honeywell and Audubon invite you to plunge into an ecosystem exploration of the Onondaga Lake watershed. The Honeywell Institute for Ecosystems Education program uses inquiry-based outdoor field studies to support classroom science curriculum. Get hands-on experience to help strengthen students' critical, analytical and creative thinking skills through your own discoveries in watershed dynamics, habitat health and the Onondaga Lake Important Bird Area.

Honeywell will give 15 teachers a scholarship package that includes:

- Investigate the Onondaga Lake watershed region and the Onondaga Lake IBA
- Share ideas with professionals in the environmental field
- Learn new content that supports the New York State curriculum in Mathematics, Science and Technology Learning Standards 1, 2, 4 & 7
- Receive free New York-specific curricular materials and other supplemental information and resources
- Have the opportunity to earn 30 professional development hours
- Receive a weekly stipend for participation
- Be eligible for a sponsored class field trip

Date: August 9 – 13, 2010

Time: 8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Sites vary around the Onondaga Lake watershed

To Apply: http://ny.audubon.org/CentersEdu_Montezuma.html

Deadline: June 11, 2010

Conferences

Time Management & Organization Skills - May 26, 2010, Syracuse, New York, \$179. Contact: National Seminars (800) 258-7246 or go to <http://www.nationalseminarstraining.com>

Strengthening Spanish Language Instruction: Practical Strategies for Accelerating Your Students' Proficiency in Spanish - May 26, 2010, Syracuse, New York, \$199. Contact: Bureau of Education & Research (800) 735-3503 or go to <http://www.ber.org>

Practical Strategies for Working with Students with Pervasive Developmental Disorders, Aspergers Syndrome and High Functioning Autism - May 27, 2010, Syracuse, New York, \$199. Contact: Bureau of Education & Research (800) 735-3503 or go to <http://www.ber.org>

Response to Intervention: Practical Strategies for Supporting Struggling Readers (Grades 6-12) - May 27, 2010, Syracuse, New York, \$199. Contact: Bureau of Education & Research (800) 735-3503 or go to <http://www.ber.org>

Payroll Law 2010 - June 3, 2010, Syracuse, New York, \$199. Contact: Fred Pryor Seminars (800) 556-2998 or <http://events.pryor.com>

Records Retention and Destruction - June 9, 2010, Syracuse, New York, \$149. Contact: Fred Pryor Seminars (800) 556-2998 or <http://events.pryor.com>

Advanced Training for Microsoft Excel - June 22, 2010, East Syracuse, New York, \$179. Contact: National Seminars (800) 258-7246 or go to <http://www.nationalseminarstraining.com>

Management & Leadership Skills for First-Time Supervisors & Managers - July 6 & 7, 2010, Syracuse, New York, \$399. Contact: National Seminars (800) 258-7246 or go to <http://www.nationalseminarstraining.com>

Business Writing & Grammar Skills - July 15 & 16, 2010, East Syracuse, New York, \$299. Contact: National Seminars (800) 258-7246 or go to <http://www.nationalseminarstraining.com>

Managing Multiple Projects, Competing Priorities & Tight Deadlines - July 19, 2010, Syracuse, New York, \$199. Contact: National Seminars (800) 258-7246 or go to <http://www.nationalseminarstraining.com>

The Essentials of Communication & Collaboration - July 26, 2010, Syracuse, New York, \$249. Contact: National Seminars (800) 258-7246 or go to <http://www.nationalseminarstraining.com>

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Stephanie Pelcher.....435-4236
Ellen Thornton.....435-6360

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Janel Milana435-6000 X-5093
Dave Zawadzki435-4090

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Michele Mazur435-6527

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