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LoTi

On January 29, 2004, Dr. Christopher Moersch came to New Braunfels to meet with the administrators from all of the collaboratives. During this time Dr. Moersch explained the different LoTi levels as well as how to develop lessons to achieve higher LoTi levels.



Dr. Moersch also gave the administrators time to set goals for their individual schools. The goals were handed in to him and will be sent through the LoTi desktop publishing office and returned to each campus administrator.

Apple Training

We want to remind you that tomorrow, February 10th and Wednesday, February 11th, are our next two days of Apple Training.

Kevin had given us some "homework" – actually some "ThinkWork". He wanted you to take a look at your school or district and think about how it is using technology. How are your teachers using it? Is the use meaningful? Do you see examples of integration? What are the lighthouses and what are the barriers?

Tuesday will be spent working on Digital Video. We will have some time to build and play, while keeping in mind and discussing the role of DV in the classroom – looking at the integration of DV and the logistics of using it. Wednesday will be spent formulating our action plan for "moving forward" with continues use of technology in the school

Please note that for everyone's convenience and to avoid coming back for more meetings, we have "after school activities" both days. After the meeting on Tuesday we will be judging the Logo Contest and on Wednesday we will have our next steering committee meeting so you do not have to take another day driving to New Braunfels.

May 11th and 12th will be the final two days of training scheduled. So be sure you have these dates down on your schedules!



Visit to Nancy Ney

Paula had the pleasure of visiting the Nancy Ney campus and presenting the information on the Logo contest and the Technology Showcase. The presentation was well received by the students and faculty – We think we will see some great projects coming from Nancy Ney!

Spotlight Reminder

Each of the Cyber Connection collaboratives has the opportunity to nominate teachers for the Spotlight on the website. Please remember to do this!

Feedback Information

We want to remind you that there is a website that is dedicated to your confidential feedback related to the TARGET Grant.

You can submit your feedback (brag, complain or tell about outstanding projects) or anything else that is on your mind concerning the grant. This has been set up by the TCET – the grant evaluators. We encourage you to take advantage of this path of communication at any time.

The website for this channel of information is:

<http://insight.southcentralrtec.org/ilib/newbraunfels/feedback.html>

Great news from Nixon Smiley!
They are 100% Phase I proficient – Way to Go!



We are looking forward to judging all of the Logo contest entries. Be sure to bring yours with your tomorrow!

TCEA: We hope all the attendees to TCEA enjoyed their visit and will be sharing the information with their campuses. Melissa came up with some questions to ask the attendees. It would be valuable to have this information:

1. Overall what were the best parts of the conference experience for you?
2. Which sessions did you attend? Please state for each if it was worthwhile or not.
3. Any constructive criticism?
4. Would you want to go again? Why or why not?

Ruby Payne Tip

“We can neither excuse students nor scold them for not knowing; as educators we must teach them and provide support, insistence, and expectations.”

Dr. Payne suggests that teachers create and send home an information magnet with phone numbers, email addresses, etc. to have the information easily accessible to parents and students. In addition she points out that important messages sent home from school should always be on the same color of paper – for instance red – so that the parents and students can quickly find it!

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