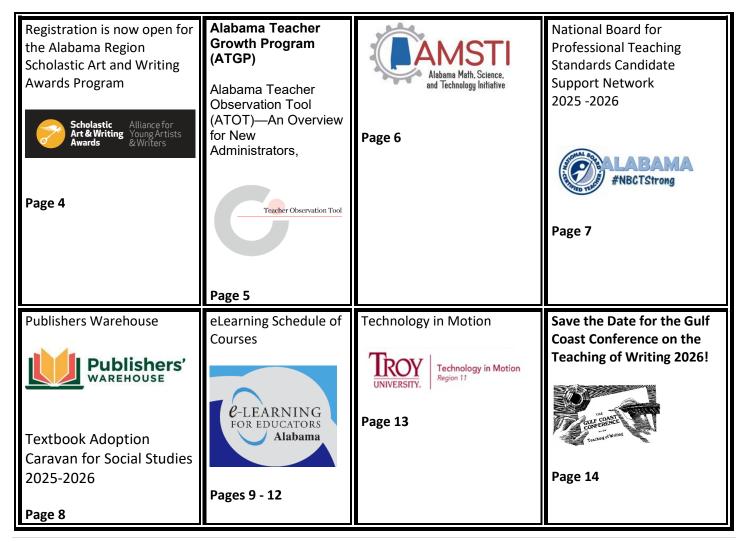


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Scholastic Writing Awards Alabama Region
is to identify students with exceptional
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The 2026 Alabama Scholastic Awards will open for entries on October 1, 2025!

Key Details:

·Eligibility: Students in grades 7-12 (age 13+)

·Entry Fees:

- ·\$10 for individual entry
- .\$30 for portfolio entry
- ·Fee waivers are available!



Important Dates:

·Submissions Open: October 1, 2025

·Deadline: December 14, 2025

Entry Categories:

Critical Essay Dramatic Script Flash Fiction Journalism

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Poetry Humor Writing Portfolio

How to Enter:

1.Create an account at Scholastic Art and Writing Awards Portal https://www.artandwriting.org/

Upload the student's original work.

3. Complete entry by uploading a signed entry form and payment or fee waiver by December 14, 2025.

How Entries Are Judged:

Entries undergo a fair and anonymous judging process.

Here's what you need to know:

·Blind Adjudications: Judges do not know the student's identity, ensuring a fair evaluation.

·3 Core Criteria: Entries are evaluated based on three essential criteria: Originality, Technical Skill, and the Emergence of a Personal Voice or Vision.

Need Assistance? Contact Us:

If you require additional assistance or have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to us at 334-670-5978.

Visit Home I Scholastic Art and Writing Awards to get started and mark your calendar for the submission deadline on December 14, 2025.

- Good luck, young writers!

Alabama Teacher Growth Program (ATGP): Alabama Teacher Observation Tool (ATOT) - An Overview for New Administrators



Newly appointed administrators will gain insight into all aspects of the Alabama Teacher Growth Program (ATGP). Participants will leave the session with insights into applying the scoring rubric to accurately and consistently rate teachers' instructional practices. Participants will also enhance their ability to provide focused, formative feedback to classroom teachers by correlating items in the Alabama Teacher Observation Tool (ATOT) with substandards in the Alabama Core Teaching Standards (ACTS).

Date: January 29, 2026 **Time:** 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Location: Butler County Board of Education, Camelia Room

211 School Highlands Road, Troy, AL

Power School Course Number: 322086 Section # 548753

** For principals and assistant principals receiving credit in the Alabama Principal Leadership Development System (APLDS), register for

APLDS PowerSchool Course Number: 320310





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National Board Candidate Support Network Workshops: 2025 - 2026



The Southeast Alabama Regional Inservice Center (SEARIC) National Board Candidate Support Network is excited to announce its upcoming workshops for 2025- 2026. These interactive sessions are tailored to educators aspiring to achieve National Board Certification or those seeking to enhance their teaching skills. The workshops will be presented in a hybrid format, providing flexibility for participants.

How to Attend: Choose your preferred mode of participation. You can either join us face-to-face at the Troy University Dothan Campus or connect remotely through Zoom.

These workshops offer a unique opportunity to engage with fellow educators, share experiences, and build a supportive network on your journey toward excellence in teaching.

Don't miss the chance to enhance your teaching skills and work towards National Board Certification.

Workshop Details:

Format: Hybrid (Face-to-Face at Troy University Dothan Campus or via Zoom)

Power School Course# 331548

Date: January 10, 2026 Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: Troy University Dothan Campus, 500 University Drive, Dothan, AL

Workshop Focus: Overview of the National Board Certification Process: Component 3 Teaching Practice and Learning

Environment and Work Session with Mentors

Date: February 14, 2026 Time: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Location: Troy University Dothan Campus, 500 University Drive, Dothan, AL

Workshop Focus: NBCT Network Mini Writing Retreat and Technology Requirements & Work Session with Mentors

Date: March 14, 2026 Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: Troy University Dothan Campus, 500 University Drive, Dothan, AL

Workshop Focus: Work Session with NBCT Mentors

Date: April 11, 2026 Time: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Location: Troy University Dothan Campus, 500 University Drive, Dothan, AL

Workshop Focus: Mini Writing Retreat/Technology Requirements & Work Session with Mentors

Date: May 9, 2026 Time: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Location: Troy University Dothan Campus, 500 University Drive, Dothan, AL

Workshop Focus: Collaboration and Working with NBCT Mentors: Submission Requirements

The Textbook Adoption Caravan



2025-2026

The Social Studies Textbook Caravan is a collaborative event with Alabama's Regional Inservice Centers and Publishers' Warehouse, Alabama's textbook depository. The Textbook Caravan is an opportunity for school district delegations to rotate through scheduled presentations from each of the state-adopted publisher options for comprehensive instructional resources. The two-day event has one day geared towards elementary team members (K-6) while the other day is structured for secondary representatives (grades 6-12). Sixth grade teachers should attend whichever day works best for their district's grade span configuration. Lunch is provided at no cost, and there is no registration charge for participants. School districts are encouraged to send active participants who will collaboratively reflect & discuss the resources being previewed in order to help their district narrow down decisions for their local adoption. Guiding questions will be provided to assist district teams with these discussions.

Power School Course Number: 339696

Elementary Section # 548815 Date: January 15, 2026 **Time:** 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Location: TROY University Dothan Campus, Malone Hall, Harrison Room

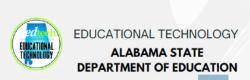
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Secondary Section # 548820 Date: January 16, 2026 **Time:** 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

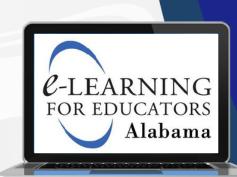
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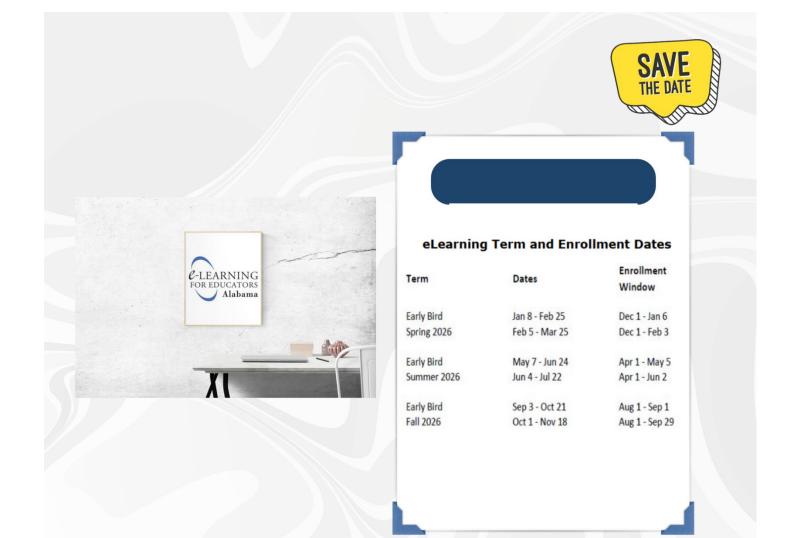




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Subject: Save the Date: Gulf Coast Conference on the Teaching of Writing 2026



We are excited to announce the upcoming Gulf Coast Conference on the Teaching of Writing, scheduled to take place at the Perdido Beach Resort in Orange Beach, Alabama. Save the date for an inspiring and enriching experience from July 6 to July 9, 2026.

Conference Name: Gulf Coast Conference on the Teaching of Writing 2026

Date: July 6 - 9, 2026

Location: Perdido Beach Resort, Orange Beach, Alabama

Join us for this engaging conference where educators, writers, and literacy advocates will come together to share innovative ideas, best practices, and research in the field of writing instruction. The Gulf Coast Conference on the Teaching of Writing promises to be a unique opportunity for professional development, collaboration, and networking.

More details, including keynote speakers, session topics, and registration information, will be provided in the coming months. Be sure to mark your calendars and stay tuned for updates as we prepare for an enriching and memorable event. Participants will have the opportunity to earn professional development hours. Administrators participating in the **Alabama Principal Leadership**

Development System (APLDS) will have the opportunity to earn APLDS credit hours.

We look forward to welcoming you to Orange Beach for the Gulf Coast Conference on the Teaching of Writing in 2026!

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Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) Region 11 Alabama Initiative Collaborative Support Team



The Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) has established Regional Collaborative Support Teams to enhance statewide educational initiatives. This collaborative approach fosters partnerships between the ALSDE initiatives and departments to more effectively address unique regional needs for Alabama's schools, districts, and educators.

Key initiatives supported by the Region 11 Collaborative Team include:

- Alabama Learning Exchange (ALEX)
- Alabama Literacy Act (ARI)
- Alabama Math Science and Technology Initiative (AMSTI)/ Alabama Science in Motion (ASIM)
- Alabama Principal Leadership Development System (APLDS)
- eLearning Alabama for Educators
- English Learner Education
- Multi-Tier Student Support (MTSS)
- National Board for Certified Teacher Support (NBCT)
- Office of Math Improvement
- Office of School Improvement
- Southeast Alabama Regional Inservice Center (SEARIC)
- Technology in Motion
- TROY University BEST Robotics
- Wiregrass Writing Project

By fostering collaboration and innovation, this partnership-driven model ensures that educators receive the guidance and tools they need to create effective learning environments supported by all.

Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) Region 11 Alabama Initiative Collaborative Support Team

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