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Alabama State Department of Education Region 11 Educators Urged to Participate in Annual Needs Assessment



The Alabama Regional Inservice Centers have commenced their annual needs assessment, calling upon educators in Region 11 to actively participate.

The purpose of the annual needs assessment is twofold: first, to gauge the evolving requirements of educators in Region 11, and second, to ensure that the support and resources offered by the Alabama Regional Inservice Centers align with those needs. By actively participating in this assessment, educators have an opportunity to influence the direction of professional development programs and services provided to them.

The needs assessment survey is designed to gather information on a wide range of topics, including pedagogical approaches, technology integration, classroom management, and more. Educators are encouraged to provide candid feedback, as this input will be instrumental in tailoring resources and training sessions to enhance their effectiveness in the classroom.

To meet the deadline for participation, all educators in Region 11 are kindly requested to complete the survey by **October 12, 2023**. The information gathered will be kept confidential and used solely for the purpose of improving educational support services in the region.

By actively engaging in the needs assessment, educators in Region 11 can help shape the future of professional development opportunities, ensuring that they receive the training and resources necessary to excel in their roles and, ultimately, provide the best possible education to their students. Your input matters, so be sure to make your voice heard by participating in this important initiative.

You may access the survey using the QR Code below or the following link.

https://forms.office.com/r/3DFKG9bccw



Beginning Teacher Institute Announces 2023-2024 Meeting Dates

PowerSchool Course Number: 311058



Beginning Teacher Invitational Institu

The Beginning Teacher Invitational Institute is thrilled to announce the dates for its upcoming 2023-2024 sessions (Cohort 6), designed to empower and support our region's new educators. With a strong commitment to fostering excellence in teaching, the institute has organized meetings in two convenient locations to accommodate teachers across our vast inservice area, the Eastern Region and the Western Region. School districts in the Eastern Region are Coffee County, Dothan City, Crenshaw County, Dale County, Daleville City, Elba City, Enterprise City, Geneva City, Geneva County, Henry County, Houston County, Ozark City, Pike County & Troy City. School districts in the Western Region are Andalusia City, Brewton City, Butler County, Conecuh County, Covington County, Escambia County, and Opp City.

Purpose of the Institute: The Beginning Teacher Invitational Institute serves as a valuable platform for the professional development of early-career educators. Our mission is to provide them with the tools, resources, and mentorship needed to excel in the classroom and positively impact student learning outcomes. Through collaborative workshops, expert guidance, and networking opportunities, we aim to build a strong foundation for our region's educators, ensuring a brighter future for our students.

Meeting Details: Teachers in the Eastern region of our inservice area will meet on October 10, 2023, November 30, 2023, February 6, 2024, and April 2, 2024, on the campus of Troy University Dothan in Dothan, AL.

For teachers in the Western region of our inservice area, the meetings will take place on **October 12**, 2023, December 7, 2023, February 8, 2024, and April 11, 2024, at the Conecuh County Board of Education in Evergreen, AL. This central location ensures easy accessibility for teachers from the Western region.

Limited Spots Available: We believe that every new teacher deserves the opportunity to benefit from our institute's enriching experience. While the demand is high, there are still a few spots left for participation in these invaluable sessions.

Recommend a Teacher: If you know of a talented teacher who would benefit from this program, we encourage you to recommend him or her. Your support can make a significant difference in his or her professional journey.

To recommend a teacher or secure your spot, please contact us at **334-670-5978**. Act now to be a part of this transformative experience! Together, we can shape a brighter future for education in our region.

Exciting Game Day for Project-Based Learning at Troy University BEST Robotics

PowerSchool Course Number: 309318





BEST Robotics

Mark your calendars for a thrilling day of innovation and education! On October 21, 2023, the Trojan Arena at Troy University in Troy, AL, will come alive with the annual Game Day event for the Troy University BEST Robotics program.

Event Details:

- **Date:** October 21, 2023
- Time: 9:00 AM 7:00 PM
- Location: Trojan Arena, Troy University, Troy, AL

The Game Day event promises a unique opportunity for teachers to dive headfirst into the world of project-based learning, critical design for robotics, and the engineering design process. This engaging event is designed to equip educators with the skills and knowledge needed to inspire the next generation of innovators and problem-solvers.

What to Expect:

- **Project-Based Learning:** Teachers will gain insights into the power of project-based learning, a dynamic approach that encourages students to explore, create, and problem-solve through hands-on projects.
- **Critical Design for Robotics:** Dive into the fascinating world of robotics design and discover how to nurture students' interest in robotics through critical thinking and creativity.
- **Engineering Design Process:** Explore the engineering design process, a systematic approach to solving real-world problems, and learn how to guide students in applying these principles.

This Game Day event is not just an opportunity for teachers to expand their knowledge; it's a chance to be part of an exciting community passionate about robotics and education.

Don't miss this fantastic learning experience at the Trojan Arena, Troy University, on October 21, 2023. Whether you're an educator looking to enhance your teaching methods or simply curious about the world of robotics, this event is for you.

National Board Candidate Support Network Workshops: October and December 2023



The Southeast Alabama Regional Inservice Center (SEARIC) National Board Candidate Support Network is excited to announce its upcoming workshops for October and December 2023. 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.

Workshop Details:

- Format: Hybrid (Face-to-Face at Troy University Dothan Campus or via Zoom)
- October Workshop Date: October 14, 2023 PowerSchool Section Number: 484671
- **December Workshop Date:** December 9, 2023 **PowerSchool Section Number: 484672**

October 14, 2023 Workshop Focus: The October workshop will delve into Component 2: Differentiation in Instruction. Participants will gain valuable insights into effectively tailoring their instructional methods to meet the diverse needs of their students. Whether you're pursuing National Board Certification or simply striving to enhance your teaching strategies, this session is designed to empower educators.

December 9, 2023 Workshop Focus: The December workshop will center on Component 4: Effective and Reflective Practitioner. This session aims to guide educators in the development of their reflective practices, encouraging self-assessment and continuous growth. Discover how to become a more effective and impactful educator through thoughtful reflection.

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.

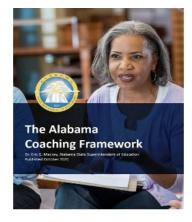
These workshops offer a unique opportunity to engage with fellow educators, share experiences, and build a supportive network on your journey toward excellence in teaching.

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

Calling All New Secondary Instructional Coaches: Join Our Workshop to Master the Alabama Coaching Framework!

PowerSchool Course Number: 311073

Section Number: 485936



Are you a newly appointed secondary instructional coach looking to excel in your role and make a significant impact on teachers and students in your school? We invite you to our exclusive workshop session tailored for educators new to secondary instructional coaching.

The workshop is designed to help you gain a deep understanding of the Alabama Coaching Framework and equip you with the skills to effectively analyze data and identify next steps for supporting teachers and students in the schools you serve.

Date: October 18, 2023 **Time:** 10:00 AM – 3:30 PM **Location:** TROY University Extended Learning Center, Room 127, 1101 S. Brundidge Street, Troy, AL

Why Attend?

- Alabama Coaching Framework: Gain a deep understanding of the Alabama Coaching Framework, the cornerstone of effective coaching in Alabama's educational landscape.
- **Data Analysis Mastery:** Acquire essential skills in data analysis to identify areas for teacher and student support. Learn how to turn data into actionable insights.
- **Supporting Teacher Excellence:** Discover coaching strategies that empower teachers, promote professional growth, and elevate classroom practices.
- **Student-Centric Coaching:** Learn to tailor your coaching to address the unique needs of students in your school, contributing directly to their success.

Who Should Attend?

- Newly appointed secondary instructional coaches
- Educators looking to transition into coaching roles
- School administrators interested in coaching methodologies

Consultant: **Mr. William Jones**, Education Specialist, Office of School Improvement, Alabama State Department of Education, Montgomery, AL

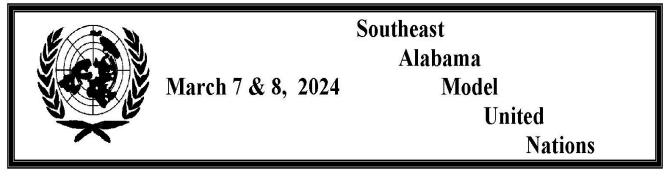
Register Now: 2024 Southeast Alabama Model United Nations Assembly (SAMUN)!



The Wiregrass Writing Project, in collaboration with the Southeast Alabama Regional Inservice Center, is excited to announce the opening of team registrations for the 2024 Southeast Alabama Model United Nations Assembly (SAMUN).

SAMUN is a prestigious project-based learning annual event that provides students with a unique opportunity to engage in diplomacy, negotiation, and problem-solving on a global scale. By simulating the United Nations, it encourages young minds to delve into the complexities of international relations and global issues.

Teams from schools across the Southeast Alabama region are invited to participate in this enriching experience, where they will represent various countries, engage in debates, and work towards crafting resolutions that address critical global challenges.



Co-Sponsored by:

y: Wiregrass Writing Project & Southeast Alabama Regional Inservice Center

Model United Nations

The Wiregrass Writing Project and the Southeast Alabama Regional Inservice Center at Troy University will host the Southeast Alabama Model United Nations Assembly (SAMUN), March 7 & 8, 2024. Students will have the opportunity to experience the United Nations first-hand. Each delegation, limited to 7 students, will represent a different nation and decide important issues that affect the world.

Native Dress

All delegates are expected to dress in native dress of their nation.

Nation's Flag

Each nation's delegates shall make their own nation's flag. The flag must be made out of fabric, foam or felt, and the dimensions are to be precisely 9 inches by 11 inches. The flag is to be attached to a stick that is 18 inches long. A holder should also be prepared that will enable the flag to sit on the desk of the nation's delegation.

NOTE: The flag will be used by all nations' delegates to gain recognition in the General Assembly and will be used in the opening Roll Call of Nations.

Roll Call of Nations

At the opening session, a roll call will be made of every nation present. One member of each nation's delegation will give a 30-second welcome in the native tongue of the nation; a second delegate will interpret in English (more on this in the confirmation packet).

Number of Delegations

The number of delegations will be limited to 30. Delegations must be accompanied by a teacher, but can also have parents assist the advisor.

ALL DEADLINES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED TO GIVE TEAMS ADEQUATE TIME TO PREPARE FOR SAMUN.

Special Recognition

Special recognition will be given to the following:

- Outstanding Native Dress
- Outstanding Delegates (Boy & Girl)
- Outstanding Resolution
- Outstanding Delegation
- Outstanding Flag/Presentations

Eligibility & Cost

- •Any student in grades 6, 7, or 8
- •Nation fee \$40.00 per nation
- •Students \$40.00
- •Advisors & Parents \$40.00 each (On-site Parents \$55.00)

Cost includes materials, badges, placard, and lunches.

Pre-Registration

A request for a nation will be made by completing the attached PRE-REGISTRATION sheet. The deadline for the pre-registration requesting a nation is <u>October 30, 2023</u>. Upon receipt, the SAMUN Committee will notify each advisor their assigned nation(s) via email the following week. The Delegate Registration Form is included with this flier, along with a sample resolution and instructions for writing a resolution. The United Nations Charter can be found online at:

http://www.un.org/en/documents/charter/index.shtml.

Resolutions & Registrations

Each advisor must submit a Delegate Registration Form by December 8,- 2023 and Resolution for each nation by December 8, 2023. **Resolution Book:** After all Resolutions and registration forms listing all delegates' names are received. SAMUN the Committee will distribute one copy of the Resolution Book to each registered delegate and advisor. We will also provide a Resolution Book for the number of parents listed on the Delegate Registration Form. The Resolution Book will contain all Resolutions, plus other information to be used in preparing a delegation to attend SAMUN.

Checklist for Preparing and Attending SAMUN

Send in the Pre-registration and Nation Selection form by October 30, 2023. Include \$40.00 per nation (i.e. \$40.00 per group of up to 6 requesting a nation). Confirmation of nation will be emailed to you the following week.
After receiving your nation, begin studying your nation. Complete the Delegate Registration form and postmark/email by December 8, 2023.
Prepare a Resolution and postmark/email by December 8, 2023. Send all fees at this time. Please do not fax resolutions.
Make your nation's flag (9 in x 11 in). (Commercially-made and purchased flags are unacceptable.)
Prepare native dress for each delegate that represents your nation.
Designate someone to give the welcome in native tongue and in English at the Roll Call of Nations at the opening assembly of SAMUN.
Hold practice sessions following procedure outlined in the information you will receive.
Attend SAMUN March 7 & 8, 2024.

Contact the SAMUN Committee at Troy University if you need additional help.

Phone: (334) 670-3495

SAMUN Committee Southeast Alabama Regional Inservice Center 025 Hawkins Hall Troy University Troy, AL 36082

What Youth Gain From Participation

- New awareness of the world and international affairs
- Experiences with communication, compromise and consensus building skills
- Insight into the relationships of the United States and other nations
- Knowledge of other nations' history, cultural traditions, national interests, and international policies
- New friends from other schools and communities
- Fun, fellowship and a good time with a purpose
- Self-confidence, and an opportunity to learn by doing

March	7, 2024
8:00 – 8:30 a.m.	Registration
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.	Opening Assembly
9:30 – 9:40 a.m.	Training Session
9:40 – 9:50 a.m.	Break
9:50 – 11:10 a.m.	Committee Meetings
11:20 a.m. – 12:40 p.m.	Lunch (Dining Hall)
12:40 – 2:20 p.m.	General Assembly
2:20 – 2:30 p.m.	Break
2:30 – 4:00 p.m.	General Assembly
4:00 - 4:15 p.m.	Break
4:15 p.m.	World Hunger Presentation

March 8, 2024		
8:00 – 9:30 a.m.	General Assembly	
9:30 – 9:40 a.m.	Break	
9:40 – 10:50 a.m.	General Assembly	
10:50 a.m 11:20 a.m.	Bloc Nations Meetings	
11:20 a.m. – 12:40 p.m.	Lunch (Dining Hall)	
12:40 – 1:20 p.m.	Security Council	
1:20 - 2:00 p.m.	Awards Ceremony	

2024 SAMUN Tentative Schedule



Pre-Registration and Nation Selection Form Southeast Alabama Model United Nations March 7 & 8, 2024

Pre-Registration Form Due: October 30, 2023

Name of School	School Telephone	School Fax Number
Teacher/Advisor (Contact Person)	Cell Phone Number	Home Telephone
School Mailing Address		E-mail Address
City	State	Zip Code
(A Nation must have at least 5	Number of Nations: but no more than 7 students)	
The Pre-regis	stration fee is \$40.00 per nation:	x \$40.00
	Equals Total amount due:	
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(Nation assignments are made on a first-come first-serve basis). The Security Council has 15 members. Those nations serving as permanent members are China, France, United Kingdom, Russia, and the United States; these have veto power. For the purpose of SAMUN, 10 additional nations will be considered members of the Security Council. The additional members of the Security Council will be selected by the SAMUN Advisory Committee.

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United Nations Member States

Afghanistan Albania Algeria Andorra Angola Antigua and Barbuda Argentina Armenia Australia Austria Azerbaijan Bahamas Bahrain Bangladesh Barbados Belarus Belgium Belize Benin Bhutan Bolivia (Plurinational State of) Bosnia and Herzegovina Botswana Brazil Brunei Darussalam Bulgaria Burkina Faso Burundi Cambodia Cameroon Canada Cape Verde Central African Republic Chad Chile CHINA Colombia Comoros Congo Costa Rica Côte D'Ivoire Croatia Cuba Cyprus Czech Republic Democratic People's Republic of Korea Democratic Republic of the Congo Denmark Djibouti Dominica Dominican Republic Ecuador Egypt El Salvador Equatorial Guinea Eritrea Estonia Ethiopia Fiji Finland FRANCE Gabon Gambia (Republic of The) Georgia Germany Ghana

Greece Grenada Guatemala Guinea Guinea Bissau Guyana Haiti Honduras Hungary Iceland India Indonesia Iran (Islamic Republic of) Iraq Ireland Israel Italy Jamaica Japan Jordan Kazakhstan Kenya Kiribati Kuwait Kyrgyzstan Lao People's Democratic Republic Latvia Lebanon Lesotho Liberia Libya Liechtenstein Lithuania Luxembourg Madagascar Malawi Malaysia Maldives Mali Malta Marshall Islands Mauritania Mauritius Mexico Micronesia (Federated States of) Monaco Mongolia Montenegro Morocco Mozambique Myanmar Namibia Nauru Nepal Netherlands New Zealand Nicaragua Niger Nigeria Norway Oman Pakistan Palau Panama Papua New Guinea Paraguay

Peru Philippines Poland Portugal Qatar Republic of Korea Republic of Moldova Romania RUSSIAN FEDERATION Rwanda Saint Kitts and Nevis Saint Lucia Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Samoa San Marino Sao Tome and Principe Saudi Arabia Senegal Serbia Seychelles Sierra Leone Singapore Slovakia Slovenia Solomon Islands Somalia South Sudan South Africa Spain Sri Lanka Sudan Suriname Swaziland Sweden Switzerland Syrian Arab Republic Tajikistan Thailand The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Timor-Leste Togo Tonga Trinidad and Tobago Tunisia Turkey Turkmenistan Tuvalu Uganda Ukraine United Arab Emirates UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND United Republic of Tanzania UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Uruguay Uzbekistan Vanuatu Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) Viet Nam Yemen Zambia Zimbabwe ALL CAPS = Security Council Member



Southeast Alabama Model United Nations March 7 & 8, 2024 <u>Delegate Registration Form</u>

Use one form per nation to register delegates.

	Nation			
	School		Teacher/Advisor (Contact Person)	
	School Mailing Address	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	E-mail Address	
	School Phone Number	Advisor Home Phone	Advisor Cell Phone	
	City	State	Zip Code	
		Delegates (minimum of 5 and a maximum of 7 students)		
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		Total for Delegates (\$40.00 each):		
		Total for Advisors (\$40.00 each):		
		Total for Parents (\$40.00 each):		
		Total amount enclosed with this form:		

Make checks payable to: <u>Troy University</u>

Delegate Form Deadline: December 8, 2023 (Names of Students and number of parents attending)

Resolution Deadline: December 8, 2023 Deadline for Refunds: December 18, 2023



Parent Registration Form Due: February 8, 2024 NO EXCEPTIONS

*After February 8, 2024, all parents and grandparents will have to pay on site and purchase their own meal ticket. Use a second sheet if more than 18 parents/grandparents.

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Number of parents	x \$40 =	Total



<u>Deadlines:</u> Pre-registration Form: October 30, 2023

Delegate Registration Form: December 8, 2023

Resolution: December 8, 2023

SAMUN Wiregrass Writing Project/ Southeast Alabama Regional Inservice Center 025 Hawkins Hall Troy University Troy, AL 36082 inservice@troy.edu

Southeast Alabama Model United Nations

March 7 & 8, 2024

Sample Resolution

Resolution Introductory Phrases

After you send in your Pre-Registration and Nation Selection Form, you will be notified by the SAMUN Committee of your Nation. Then begin preparing your resolution.

Preparing a Resolution can be an exciting part of SAMUN preparation. Be sure to involve every member of your nation in its preparation.

The Sample Resolution presents one idea. There are hundreds of others dealing with such subjects as world hunger, terrorism, boundary disputes between nations, establishing a study committee, nuclear weapons, pollution, education reform and others. However, be sure that you first study your nation and how it stands on world issues. Your Resolution should be written from your nation's point of view. The material you receive from the SAMUN Committee will help you begin studying more about your nation. The library will also provide information. Remember, you will be attending SAMUN as a representative of a nation. You're to act and think as closely as possible to that nation.

Before you get started with you Resolution, study the PREAMBULATORY and OPERATIVE clauses.

Each Resolution is a single sentence, with the different sections separated with semicolons and commas. The Resolution is divided into two parts: perambulatory and operative clauses.

PREAMBULATORY CLAUSES: These are the justifications for actions. They usually begin with present participles and denote Charter authorizations for actions, past Resolution precedents and statements about the particular purposes for the action.

OPERATIVE CLAUSES: These are the policy portion of the Resolution. Each of these starts with a verb, and taken as a whole, deals thoroughly with one idea arranged in a logical progression. Each clause should not be a collection of unrelated thoughts or statements on a broad topic, but should deal with only one aspect of the problem.

Resolution Introductory Phra	ses	
Affirming	Expressing its satisfaction	Noting with satisfaction
Alarmed by	Fulfilling	Noting with deep concern
Approving	Fully aware of	Noting future
Aware of	Fully alarmed	Observing
Believing	Further deploring	Realizing
Confident	Further recalling	Reaffirming
Contemplating	Guided by	Recalling
Convinced	Having adopted	Recognizing
Declaring	Having considered	Referring
Deeply concerned	Having considered further	Seeking
Deeply convinced	Having devoted attention	Taking into account
Deeply disturbed	Having examined	Taking into consideration
Deeply regretting	Having studied	Taking note
Desiring	Having heard	Viewing with appreciation
Emphasizing	Having receiving	Welcoming
Expecting	Keeping in mind	
Expressing its appreciation	Noting with regret	

Accepts	Designates	Proclaims
Affirms	Emphasizes	Reaffirms
Approves	Encourages	Recommends
Authorizes	Endorses	Reminds
Calls	Expresses its appreciation	Regrets
Calls upon	Expresses its hopes	Requests
Condemns	Further invites	Solemnly affirms
Congratulates	Further proclaims	Strongly condemns
Confirms	Further reminds	Supports
Considers	Further recommends	Trusts
Declares accordingly	Further resolves	Takes note of
Deplores	Further requests	Transmits
Draws the attention	Notes	Urges

Use this sample Resolution as a guide for preparing a Resolution per nation.

- Use letter size (8 ½ in x 11 in) paper
 PREPARE Camera Ready (In final form...will print as submitted)
- Leave 1 inch margins on sides and top and bottom
- Begin numbering the lines 12 spaces from the left edge of paper
 Please do typing on 12 pitch
- One Resolution per nation
- Limit to not more than 2 pages (prefer 1 page)

Resolution # (Leave blank on your resolution) Introduced by: Representing: (Name of School) (Name of Nation) Subject: A RESOLUTION TO ENSURE THAT THE PERSIAN GULF REMAINS OPEN TO SHIPPING OF ALL NATIONS The Southeast Alabama Model United Nations (Organ) - (Underline initiating phrases) Realizing the world watches and waits as the war between Iran and Iraq escalates in the 1 2 Persian Gulf. (Indent 5 spaces) 3 Fully aware the conflict now endangers the security of not only Kuwait but the security 4 of the world, (Use comma to separate Preambulatory Clauses) Preambulatory Clauses) Convinced the deliberate attacks of these nations on shipping in the Persian Gulf 5 6 threatens to destabilize the energy resources of the nations depending on the oil imports 7 from the area known as the Middle East, Keeping in mind world economic interdependence is directly connected to the flow 8 9 of oil out of the Persian Gulf. 10 Deeply concerned that unless this situation between Iran and Iraq is stabilized that 11 the economic welfare of the world is threatened with a major recession die to shortages of 12 oil, Fully believing that the conflict, if allowed to continue, will eventually draw in other 13 14 Middle Eastern countries, (Number Operative Clauses) 1. <u>Requests</u> that a peacekeeping force be established in the Persian Gulf to ensure 15 16 that the Straits of Hormuz remain open to the shipping of all nations; (Use semicolon to separate Operative Clauses)____ Operative Clauses) 2. Further requests that the peacekeeping force be empowered to take any action 17 18 necessary to ensure peaceful passage through the Straits of Hormuz and the Persian Gulf; 3. <u>Recommends</u> peacekeeping force be composed of contingents from nations 19 20 that do not represent the interests of those nations involved in the Iran-Iraq conflict; 4. Calls for the peacekeeping force to be stationed at the Island of Bubiyan in order to 21 22 provide it with the best vantage point from which to stabilize the shipping lanes of the 23 Persian Gulf; 24 5. Urges that this Resolution take effect immediately upon passage. Assigned to Committee# _ (Leave blank on your Resolution)

Action in Committee:FAVORABLEUNFAVORABLEAction in General Assembly:FAVORABLEUNFAVORABLE



Calling All Young Writers: Scholastic Art and Writing Awards 2023 - Alabama Writing Region



The mission of the Scholastic Writing Awards Alabama Region is to identify students with exceptional literary talent and present their remarkable work. The 2023 Alabama Scholastic Awards are now open for entries!

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: September 1, 2023
- Deadline: December 14, 2023

Entry Categories:

- Critical Essay
- Dramatic Script
- Flash Fiction
- Humor
- Journalism
- Novel Writing
- Personal Essay & Memoir
- Poetry
- Science Fiction and Fantasy
- Short Story
- Writing Portfolio

How to Enter:

- 1. Create an account at <u>www.artandwriting.org</u>.
- 2. Upload the student's original work.
- 3. Complete entry by uploading a signed entry form and payment or fee waiver by December 14, 2023.

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.

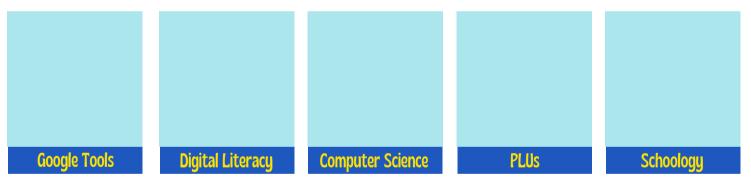
Need Assistance? Contact Us:

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

Visit <u>www.artandwriting.org</u> to get started and mark your calendar for the submission deadline on December 14, 2023. Good luck, young writers!



It's a brand new school year, and in Region 11, we have some new administrators. Your ATiM Specialist, Dr. Charisse Snell, is here to serve you! I just want to share some helpful information with you about Alabama Technology in Motion. I also want to extend this information to seasoned administrators who don't know about our services. Click on the graphics below to get a glimpse of a few sessions that are offered.



ALABAMA TECHNOLOGY IN MOTION

Alabama Technology in Motion (ATiM) provides **FREE** onsite job-embedded professional development for teachers to promote the use of technology in teaching and learning. The program offers services, materials and training that support teachers' professional growth in effective teaching practices, the creation of technology-rich learning environments and project-based learning.

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EdTech Tuesday sessions will be held on the second Tuesday of each month, starting in September, between 3:45 PM and 4:45 PM.

EdTech Tuesday Registration Booklet



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LEARN HOW TO HELP STUDENTS USE THESE TOOLS EFFECTIVELY

3:30 -4:30 Virtual Tuesday, October 3 Tuesday, October 10 Tuesday, October 24 Tuesday, November 7 Tuesday, November 14 **PSPL Section #<u>482471</u>**

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Contact Dr. Charisse Snell for more information: csnell@atim.us

SEMIANNUAL ROBOTICS EXPO SAVE THE DATE MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023 - 4-4-8:30-3:30

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K-12 Educators

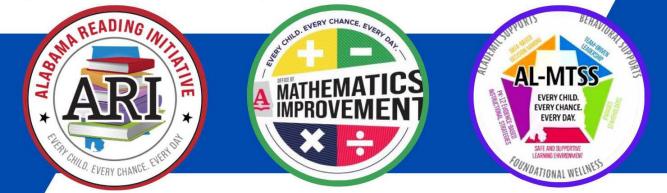
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Strong Leaders, Strong Readers

Strong Leaders, Strong Readers is designed to address the distinct needs of building-level administrators within Alabama schools catering to students in kindergarten through third-grade. These professional learning sessions will integrate insights derived from ARI's Student-Centered Coaching Labs, attended by local reading specialists. Furthermore, the discussions and educational components will be centered around fortifying participants' literacy knowledge, along with crafting frameworks and support mechanisms to increase student achievement. Participants will delve into the expectations concerning the extended implementation of the Alabama Literacy Act, conduct thorough data analysis, and leverage data insights to steer instructional decisions, thereby optimizing the outcomes of student learning in Alabama.



Everyone Counts

Leaders Count, Students Count with an emphasis on AL-MTSS is designed to address the distinct needs of building level administrators within all Alabama schools catering to students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Through these professional learning sessions, we will develop the foundations required to build a strong awareness and response to mathematics instruction and data as well as to ensure that all students' needs are being met though our academic and behavioral structures. Through AL-MTSS we will refine our academic, behavioral, and foundational wellness supports to ensure success for ALL students. This year, an ACLD-PLU may be earned (pending approval) for participation in our Leaders Count, Students Count sessions.

Session 1 8:30-3:30 9/23-Covington County BOE 9/28-Enterprise City Schools Service Center Session 2 8:30-3:30 12/5-Covington County BOE 12/7-Enterprise City Schools Service Center Session 3 8:30-3:30 2/6-Covington County BOE 2/8-Enterprise City Schools Service Center

Session 4 8:30-3:30 3/14-Covington County BOE 3/19-Enterprise City Schools Service Center



