

Stewart County Schools Professional Development Opportunities 2009-2010



**Central Office Copy
Professional Development Registration Form
For the 2009-2010 School Year**

Name _____ Date _____

Please list all professional development activities you wish to participate in during the summer months. Return this form to the Stewart County Board of Education through the courier service or by mail. *Please make a photocopy or complete the next page for your records.*

DATE and TIME	ACTIVITY/DESCRIPTION	# OF HOURS
	Benchmark Training (Required)	6
	School-Based Test Data Analysis (Dates TBA - Summer)	6
July 29	System-Wide Professional Development Larry Bell (SCMS)	6
July 30	System-Wide Professional Development Larry Bell (SCMS)	6
October 9*	School Safety (SCMS)	6
		Total Hours _____

* = Stockpile Day

Total of all hours (should be a minimum of 36 hours consisting of 30 required hours and 6 hours from the October 9th stockpile day.

Please total the above hours you have registered.

Signature

Date

Date:	May 27, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School Computer Lab
Designed For:	K- 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

ALL TEACHERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND ONE BENCHMARK TRAINING SESSION

- **Presenter: Connie Baggett**
- **Topic: Thinkgate Elements- Benchmarking**

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Date:	May 28, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School Computer Lab
Designed For:	K- 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

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- **Presenter: Mary Lambert**
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Date: June 1-2, 2009
Time: 8:30 - 3:00
Location: The Center for Teaching and Learning
Designed For: PreK-12th Grade Teachers and Support Staff
Credit Hours: 12

*******RECERTIFY ON JUNE 4 ***** You are welcome and encouraged to take both days again, however, if you have been certified you may take just the recertification class. It is 4 hours credit.**

Presenters: Elaine Jackson and Denise Settle
Topic: CPI Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Training

First time participants are to register for the June 1 and 2 sessions for certification

The Crisis Prevention Institute's Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Training is a physically interactive session that will give the participant improved communication and active listening skills as well as certification on proper restraint.

Restraint techniques are to be utilized as a last resort and only on someone that is physically smaller than you.

Participant will be able to identify the levels of crisis and the proper response to each level.

Physical restraints will be part of the session.

This session will be interactive so dress accordingly.

Date:	June 2, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 12:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School
Designed For:	Pre-K- 12th Grade Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Todd Beard**
- **Topic: ELL: Culture, Language and Strategies for Instruction**

Attendees to this session will learn about different cultures and languages found in public schools today. With annual increases in English language learners in our classrooms, the task of providing comprehensible input to all learners becomes increasingly challenging. We will discuss and develop effective methods for communicating with and instructing language learners.

Date:	June 2, 2009
Time:	12:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School
Designed For:	Pre-K- 12th Grade Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Todd Beard**
- **Topic: ELL: The Language Acquisition Process and ELLs**

English language learners (ELLs) are not only learning a new language, they are learning cultural and social norms that are embedded in their new environment. This is a rich and positive experience for educators and students. This session will discuss the process of learning another language and will examine how educators can prepare students linguistically, academically, and socially for public schools.

Date:	June 3, 2009
Time:	12:00-3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School
Designed For:	9-12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenters: Jacqueline Wallace**
- **Topic: Integrating Activity into Your Classroom**

Public Chapter 1001 mandates 90 minutes of physical activity a week for ALL students in grades K-12. The Stewart County High School meets this requirement by also reducing long periods of inactivity in the classroom. In every class a teacher is to have five minutes of activity a day. That will create enough time to cover the 90 minute a week requirement. Even though we have heard the research that activity has a positive impact on academic performance, it is hard to find a way to accomplish everything in a class period.

This session provides integrated lessons that not only promote physical activity, but also reinforce academic learning objectives.

In addition to getting much needed physical activity and having fun while learning, students have the opportunity to experience academic messages in ways that appeal to different learning styles.

Teachers are encouraged to create their own lessons that reinforce daily learning objectives and find new ways to creatively incorporate physical activity into the school day.

Realizing that not every lesson allows a creative way to integrate five minutes of activity, several other ways to obtain that activity will be shown as well. Time will also be allowed for a sharing of ideas that participants have used and students have enjoyed.

Obesity rates among children and adolescents have doubled in the past 20 years with approximately one in four children considered overweight. Obese children are more likely to become obese adults and, as a result, are at increased risk of developing serious diseases including diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, stroke and certain cancers. A key factor in obesity is energy imbalance - how many calories are expended in relation to the amount consumed. As stated above, research has proven that activity has a positive impact on academic performance.

Health is Academic!

Date:	June 3, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 12:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School
Designed For:	Pre-K- 12th Grade Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Todd Beard**
- **Topic: Technology 201**

Technology 201:

Attendees to this session will learn about and participate in the use of technology in the classroom. We will use PowerPoint, Windows Movie Maker, the Internet, e-mail, photos, video clips, and text to create and design lessons that engage students and achieve objectives. (Note: Although not necessary, a basic knowledge of computers will be helpful.)

Date: June 4, 2009
Time: 12:00 – 4:00
Location: The Center for Teaching and Learning
Designed For: Past participants for recertification
PreK-12th Grade Teachers and Support Staff
Credit Hours: 4

IF YOU HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED PREVIOUSLY, you may attend this session or you are welcome and encouraged to take both days again; however, if you have been certified you may take just the recertification class.

Presenter: Elaine Jackson and Denise Settle
Topic: CPI Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Training

This session is designed for previous participants of CPI to receive recertification.

This is a refresher course for The Crisis Prevention Institutes Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Training. The session will be a physically interactive session that will review the communication and active listening skills as well as re-certify the participant on proper restraint.

Participant will be able to identify the levels of crisis and the proper response to each level.

Physical restraints will be part of the session.

This session will be interactive so dress accordingly.

Date:	June 4, 2009
Time:	8:30 - 11:30
Location:	The Center for Teaching and Learning
Designed For:	All Employees
Credit Hours:	3

Presenter: Coordinated School Health/Health Services & Health Department
Topic: Health Screenings

Various screenings and assessments.
Risk assessment for diabetes.
Nurses present and available for counseling.
Stress Management

Examples:

Blood Pressure
Body Mass Index/Body Fat
Vision
Hearing

Date:	June 5, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 12:00
Location:	North Stewart Elementary – Room 10
Designed For:	K – 5th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenters: Jennifer Austin and Tara Page**
- **Topic: Integrating Technology/SMART Boards in the Classroom**

Do you want to utilize technology in the classroom, but aren't tech savvy? Would you like to learn of some excellent websites to use in the classroom? This professional development session will enable teachers to have a better understanding of how to incorporate technology into the classroom. We will demonstrate the usage of some of these websites to enhance the learning process. We will also incorporate the demonstrating and usage of SMART Board equipment and the document camera. If you have always wanted to learn more about technology, or if you are just curious to learn a few more ideas, then this is the professional development session for you!

Date:	June 8, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 12:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	All Special Education Teachers, Regular Education Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Tracy Watson**
- **Topic: The Ins and Outs of Special Education**

This session will focus on the IEP and paperwork surrounding special education. Goal writing, accommodations/modifications, and the general educator's role will be discussed. Time will be given for questions at the end of the session.

Date:	June 8, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 12:00
Location:	North Stewart Elementary – Room 10
Designed For:	1– 5th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenters: Jennifer Austin and Dana Law**
- **Topic: Using the Scott Foresman Reading Website Efficiently**

Would you like to learn more about the Scott Foresman website? Are you confused about how to utilize the Scott Foresman website? This staff development will enable you to have a basic understanding of how to maneuver the website. This staff development will include how to enter students/classes data, how to assign unit tests, how to read the students' scores, and much more. This knowledge will give you an advantage to the start of the next school year. You will need to bring with you to the staff development session your online access pack you received to enable the set up process.

Date:	June 8, 2009
Time:	12:30 – 3:30
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	All Special Education Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Tracy Watson and Daniel Burns**
- **Topic: Learning Disabilities 101**

This session will take an in-depth look at learning disabilities (LD) commonly seen in the school setting. Using group interaction, activities to illustrate key points, and using as little lecture as possible, the goal is for the participant to understand the history, concept, and specific standards of LDs. Emphasis will be placed on understanding a teacher's role in the LD identification process and how to look for students with potential LDs. The session will also cover how LDs affect children differently and why RTI is actually good for teachers.

Date:	June 9, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 4:00
Location:	The Center for Teaching and Learning
Designed For:	Healthy School Team Members
Credit Hours:	6

- **Presenters: Elaine Jackson**
- **Topic: Healthy School Team & Completing School Health Index Healthy Schools Program Inventory**

Stewart County School System has been one of the ten pilot sites for Coordinated School Health (CSH) over the last 8 years. From the data collected for these ten sites, the legislators made CSH a requirement by law and it mandates every local educational agency (LEA) to do a CSH program. TCA 49-1-1001 et seq.

Congress recognizes that schools play a critical role in promoting student health, preventing childhood obesity, and combating problems associated with poor nutrition and physical inactivity. To formalize and encourage this role, Congress has also passed a law (P.L. 108 - 265). It states that each local educational agency participating in a program authorized by the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) or the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.) shall establish a local school wellness policy by school year 2006.

This session will give an overview of the two laws and the Center for Disease Control's (CDC's) School Health Index (SHI): A Self-Assessment and Planning Guide that must be utilized by the Healthy School Teams that is a mandate of these laws. The session will also describe how this tool can be used to assess and improve school health policies and programs. The primary components to this policy include:

1. All Local Education Agencies (LEAs) must have representative School Health Advisory Councils or Healthy School Teams which will be responsible for instigating healthy changes in their school districts.
2. Each Healthy School Team must take the lead in implementing the SHI with schools within their district. During the first year, each school must complete Modules 1, 3, and 4 at a minimum. In subsequent years, they should complete the other five modules. Having completed these modules in FY 06-07, they will be reviewed and others completed for a more complete plan of action for the school year 09-10.
3. After a brief overview, the group will be split into school groups to complete the above modules and action plans.

Date:	June 9, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 12:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	Pre-K – 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Dr. Jacqueline Hansen**
- **Topic: Integrating Language Arts Across the Curriculum**

Dr. Jacqueline Hansen, an Associate Professor of Education at Murray State University, will discuss differentiating instruction and integrating language arts (reading, writing, speaking, listening, viewing, and visually representing) across the curriculum. Her session will also emphasize higher order thinking skills. This is the perfect session for language arts teachers who need new ideas and strategies to liven up the classroom.

Date:	June 9, 2009
Time:	1:00 – 4:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	Pre-K – 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	3

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Time:	9:00 – 12:00
Location:	The Center for Teaching and Learning
Designed For:	Classroom and Physical Education Teachers
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Elaine Jackson**
- **Topic: TAKE 10!
BOOST-UP
SMART**

Take 10!

TAKE 10! is used to reduce long periods of inactivity in the classroom. The program provides integrated lessons that not only promote physical activity, but also reinforce academic learning objectives. In addition to getting much needed physical activity and having fun while learning, students have the opportunity to experience academic messages in ways that appeal to different learning styles.

Teachers are encouraged to create their own TAKE 10! lessons (using the lesson template in each kit) that reinforce daily learning objectives and find new ways to creatively incorporate physical activity into the school day.

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BOOST-UP / SMART - Stimulating Maturity for Accelerated Readiness Training

This part of the session will give participants a basic description of the curriculum guide for SMART and how it is utilized in the BOOST – UP room as well as how a classroom teacher or assistant can create a mini BOOST – UP room as a Take 10! lesson. If participants have a Take 10! and or SMART book, they are encouraged to bring them to the session. SMART is a multi-sensory approach to learning, designed to develop and enhance the physiological and neurological readiness skills children need to succeed in school. The curriculum generally consists of activities for developing and or enhancing children’s large and fine muscle skills, visual perception and eye-hand coordination. This session will be interactive so dress accordingly.

Date:	June 10, 2009
Time:	8:30 – 11:30
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	All Special Education Teachers, Regular Education Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenters: Amanda Brewster, Robyn Crain and Beverly Lewis**
- **Topic: Inclusion**

This session will provide insight on an inclusion classroom. The roles of the general educator, the special educator and the paraprofessional will be examined. Ideas and strategies will be given on how to make inclusion successful for all children.

Date:	June 11, 2009
Time:	8:30 – 11:30
Location:	Stewart County High School – Room 221
Designed For:	Pre-K to 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Dr. Greg Gierhart, Professor at Murray State University**
- **Topic: Using SmartBoards Effectively**

The information presented in this session is a basic course on how to effectively use SmartBoards to instruct, motivate, and assess students. Participants will also learn how to design their own SmartBoard templates. This session is a must for teachers with SmartBoards!

Date:	June 11, 2009
Time:	12:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School – Room 221
Designed For:	Pre-K to 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	3

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Date:	June 12, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School Computer Lab
Designed For:	K- 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

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- **Topic: Thinkgate Elements- Benchmarking**

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Date:	June 15, June 16, June 17,* 2009
Time:	9:00 – 4:00
Location:	The Center for Teaching and Learning
Designed For:	Grades PreK-12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

***Certified staff may register for one day only.**

- **Presenter: Melissa Parker**
- **Topic: Creating Effective Instructional Materials**

This workshop provides an opportunity for teachers to create instructional aids, instructional enhancements, and teaching materials to supplement classroom instruction. The focus of this workshop is the creation of research-based instructional aids that will enable teachers to effectively teach a diverse student population. Each day is limited to the first 25 participants to register.

Date:	June 16, 2009
Time:	8:30 – 11:30
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	All Special Education Teachers, Regular Education Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenters: Amanda Brewster, Robyn Crain and Beverly Lewis**
- **Topic: Inclusion**

This session will provide insight on an inclusion classroom. The roles of the general educator, the special educator and the paraprofessional will be examined. Ideas and strategies will be given on how to make inclusion successful for all children.

Date: June 16, 2009
Time: 8:00 – 3:00 (One hour provided for Lunch)
Location: Dover Elementary School
Designed For: Pre-K- 5th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours: 6

- **Presenter:** Sheila Sowell
- **Topic:** Sprucing Up Your Lesson Plans

This session will help you spruce up your lesson plans by the use of educational games, Power Points, visual aids, hands-on activities, connecting across disciplines, and cooperative learning. Please bring in a couple of lesson plan ideas you want to enhance and a couple of your great ideas to share with the group.

Date: June 17, 2009
Time: 8:00 – 3:00 (One hour provided for Lunch)
Location: Dover Elementary School
Designed For: Pre-K- 5th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours: 6

- **Presenter:** Sheila Sowell
- **Topic:** Writing Workshop

This session will provide opportunities to enhance student's writing. Information will be given about 4-square writing, Big Books, writing prompts, enhancing sentences, and pre-writing exercises. Please bring a textbook or teacher's manual from your grade level and we'll work on incorporating writing into your lessons.

Date:	June 18, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 4:00
Location:	The Center for Teaching and Learning
Designed For:	Grades PreK-12th Grade Teacher Assistants
Credit Hours:	6

***Certified staff may register for one day only.**

- **Presenter: Melissa Parker**
- **Topic: Creating Effective Instructional Materials**

This workshop provides an opportunity for teacher assistants to create instructional aids, instructional enhancements, and teaching materials to supplement classroom instruction. Participants will learn more about the Center for Teaching and Learning and the many resources it has to offer. This day is limited to the first 25 participants.

Date:	June 17, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 12:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	All Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Denise Settle**
- **Topic: “Being the Person Your Dog Thinks You Are”**

Asset Building II

“Being the Person Your Dog Thinks You Are”

Adults can empower young people with the building blocks needed to become caring, responsible and healthy adults. The Search Institute has identified 40 Developmental Assets – a good but certainly not complete list of tools needed for student success and resiliency. How can we contribute to the success of our students? Come join in this fun and interactive time as we search our self and look at ways we can better assist our young people in development. We will also take an inventory to see what type of moral decision making style we use.

Date:	June 18, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School Computer Lab
Designed For:	K- 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

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Date:	June 19, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School Computer Lab
Designed For:	K- 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

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- **Presenter: Mary Lambert**
- **Topic: Thinkgate Elements- Benchmarking**

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Date:	June 23, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 12:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	Pre-K -5th Grade Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Lonnie Penrod**
- **Topic: Recognizing and Addressing the Special Needs of Grieving Students**

This session will focus on recognizing loss in the lives of children as well as look at how children grieve. Areas to be addressed include:

- Children's reaction to anticipatory loss
- Children's understanding of death
- Children's response to death
- Support for grieving students
- Opportunities for death education in the classroom

During the workshop participants will:

- Identify losses in the lives of students
- Learn the differences in the expression of grief at various age and developmental levels
- Explore the affects of anticipatory loss on students, especially those students involved with terminally ill loved ones
- Identify ways to provide support to grieving students, especially following the death of a loved one
- Learn ways to implement death education in the classroom setting

Date:	June 23, 2009
Time:	12:30 – 3:30
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	6th - 12th Grade Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Lonnie Penrod**
- **Topic: Recognizing and Addressing the Special Needs of Grieving Students**

This session will focus on recognizing loss in the lives of children as well as look at how children grieve. Areas to be addressed include:

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- Children's response to death
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Date:	July 7, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School Computer Lab
Designed For:	K- 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

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- **Presenter: Connie Baggett**
- **Topic: Thinkgate Elements- Benchmarking**

The information presented in this session is a basic course on how to set up and utilize the Thinkgate Elements software. This software will be used for benchmarking, curriculum planning, teacher tests, data analysis and more. Participants will learn the basics of how to use the software to effectively generate tests for their classrooms.

Date:	July 9, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School Computer Lab
Designed For:	K- 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

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- **Topic: Thinkgate Elements- Benchmarking**

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Date:	July 13, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School
Designed For:	Pre-K – 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

- **Presenter: Connie Baggett**
- **Topic: Beginning PowerPoint for Teachers – A Creative Addition to Your Teaching Toolbox!**

Create impressive presentations with the latest version of Microsoft’s powerful presentation program. Learn how to create and edit slides, add and format text, change backgrounds, apply design templates, and insert graphics. You will also learn how to present and print your presentations. **Bring your curriculum projects and make them become exciting presentations for your students.**

Date:	July 13, 2009
Time:	9:00 – 12:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	All Special Education Teachers and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Tina Phillips, Lynn Lemons and Sandra Lacey**
- **Topic: Teaching Social Skills**

This session is appropriate for all Special Education teachers and assistants as well as any regular education teacher who struggles with students exhibiting inappropriate social skills in the classroom. Participants will engage in role playing, practice assessing social skills and watch clips of the curriculum-based DVD. These activities in combination with presentations of information will help participants gain an understanding of teaching social skills.

Date:	July 13, 2009
Time:	1:00 – 4:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	All Teachers, Administrators and Assistants
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Tina Phillips, Lynn Lemons and Sandra Lacey**
- **Topic: An Overview of Autism**

This session is appropriate for any person in the education field that has contact with children with autism. Participants will learn about the characteristics of autism, as well as strategies for helping children on the autism spectrum. This informative session will provide relevant, enlightening information about autism.

Date:	July 14, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School
Designed For:	Pre-K– 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

- **Presenter: Connie Baggett**
- **Topic: Advanced PowerPoint for Teachers – Reach Those Visual, Auditory and Kinesthetic Learners With Exciting and Interactive Presentations**

Expand your knowledge of PowerPoint by editing the slide master, modifying your presentation for use on the Web, and enhancing your slide shows with the use of timings and on-screen drawings. Extend the limits of basic PowerPoint applications by examining how to produce non-linear presentations and incorporate web pages. Participants will also learn to polish their presentations by using Internet resources, timing slide transitions, adding audio and video and printing slides in a variety of formats. **Be sure to bring your curriculum to use to create presentations.**

Date:	July 14, 2008
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Library
Designed For:	All Teachers, Administrators and Assistants
Credit Hours:	6

- **Presenter: Tina Phillips, Lynn Lemons and Sandra Lacey**
- **Topic: Picture Communication System**

This session is appropriate for any teacher, administrator, parent, speech teacher, OT and assistant who have contact with children who are non-verbal. Participants will learn about how to appropriately use the Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS) to help children who are non-verbal communicate and decrease inappropriate behaviors in the classroom.

Date:	July 15, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School
Designed For:	Pre-K – 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

- **Presenter: Connie Baggett**
- **Topic: Beginning Web Design**

This hands-on class is designed for teachers who wish to begin creating a website for their classroom, students and parents. FrontPage is Microsoft's web site builder and editor and will be the software used in this course. Basic skills with Microsoft Word are helpful.

You will work with text, hyperlinks, add pictures, animations, clipart, etc. At the end of this six hour course, you will have a basic website for your class. **YOU MUST BRING DATA WITH YOU TO INCLUDE IN YOUR SITE** such as supply lists, book lists, etc. Bring everything you will need to include at your site. Cameras will be available to make pictures of you if you wish. If you have a good picture you want to include on your site, bring it and a scanner will be available to digitize it.

Date:	July 16, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School
Designed For:	Pre-K – 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

- **Presenter: Connie Baggett**
- **Topic: Intermediate Web Design – Making Your Website a Learning Center**

Learn how to make your website a central part of instruction for students and home/school communication with parents. Using Microsoft Web Expression software, you will apply basic principles of message design in the development of Web-based communications with learners and apply principles of visual and media literacy when creating online instructional and professional communication materials. Prerequisite: All participants should have some background experience using web design software.

Be prepared to include a class newsletter and online versions of class paperwork, etc. Don't come empty handed!

Date:	July 20, 2009
Time:	8:30 – 11:30
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Computer Lab
Designed For:	Pre-K to 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Kimberly Runyon**
- **Topic: Think wave**

The information presented in this session is a basic course on how to set up Think wave and use it effectively in your classroom. You will learn how to set up classes, enter assignments, email parents, and email weekly progress reports. You will need to bring your class lists (preferably 2009-2010 class lists) including birthdays, addresses, parents' names, telephone numbers, email addresses, and a list dates for your grading terms with you. **Be sure to bring a flash drive (jump drive) to save your information, so that you can transfer it to your own computer when the new school year starts.**

Date:	July 24, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	Stewart County High School Computer Lab
Designed For:	K- 12th Grade Teachers
Credit Hours:	6

ALL TEACHERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND ONE BENCHMARK TRAINING SESSION

- **Presenter: Mary Lambert**
- **Topic: Thinkgate Elements- Benchmarking**

The information presented in this session is a basic course on how to set up and utilize the Thinkgate Elements software. This software will be used for benchmarking, curriculum planning, teacher tests, data analysis and more. Participants will learn the basics of how to use the software to effectively generate tests for their classrooms.

Date:	July 28, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00
Location:	North Stewart Elementary School
Designed For:	Pre-K to 5th Grade Teachers at NSE
Credit Hours:	3

- **Presenter: Dr. Greg Gierhart, Professor at Murray State University**
- **Topic: Using SmartBoards Effectively**

The information presented in this session is a basic course on how to effectively use SmartBoards to instruct, motivate, and assess students. Participants will also learn how to design their own SmartBoard templates. This session is a must for teachers with SmartBoards!

Date:	July 29 and 30, 2009
Time:	8:00 – 3:00 (1 hour for lunch)
Location:	Stewart County Middle School Cafeteria
Designed For:	All Certified Personnel
Credit Hours:	12

- **Presenter: Larry Bell**
- **Topic: Leave No Child Behind**

Stewart County Schools Professional Development Alternative Credit Guidelines

I. Professional Development Criteria

(These criteria will be used in approving requests for Professional Development Alternative Credit.)

Planning

- Objectives clearly stated for program including the information/knowledge or skill(s) that participants gain all and the resulting impact on student learning.
- Objectives related to overall goals of the program and school system.

Implementation

- Program delivery will occur within an adequate time frame to allow participants to:
 - (1) learn content
 - (2) observe, and practice new knowledge and skills
 - (3) reflect on the learning experience
 - (4) have some form of product or accountability measure
- All programs must maintain adequate records of participation
- Attendance must be submitted to Leta Joiner at the Stewart County Board of Education
- An agenda of the session's activities must be submitted with attendance

Examples of Approvable Professional Development Activities/Topics:

- Effective Teaching Strategies and Practices
- Curriculum Alignment or Mapping
- Assessment for Learning
- Data-Driven Decision Making
- Differentiated Instruction

2009-2010 PD Booklet

- Content Area Instruction
- School Climate, Environment, and Safety, as it relates to increased student achievement
- Educational Issues
- Technology Training
- Restructuring for Instructional Improvement

Examples of Non-Approvable Activities

- Working in Classrooms
- Professional Organization Business Meetings
- Courses for College Credit
- Scheduling Classes

Alternative Credit Checklist

- _____ 1. School contact person coordinates activity, determines number of hours
- _____ 2. Objectives for session are tied to the State Standards, SIP, or TCSP
- _____ 3. Supervisor of Instruction notified of the event
- _____ 4. Agenda planned to allow participants time to learn content and network with each other
- _____ 5. Location for event secured
- _____ 6. Room set up consistent with session objectives
- _____ 7. Appropriate Audio-Visual equipment
- _____ 8. Cancellation procedure in place
- _____ 9. Resources and supplies obtained and organized
- _____ 10. Sign-in sheet and Agendas created
- _____ 11. After session send sign-in sheet and agenda to Leta Joiner at the Stewart County Board of Education