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Included: Educators in attendance

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Preparing for State Assessments

As new Kansas Science Assessments will be given in the spring of 2008, how do teachers prepare for them? A one-day workshop addressed issues high school teachers and administrators will face in preparing for the tests.

Nearly 45 educators from across Kansas visited Emporia to get a clearer picture of what the standards require of Kansas' students. Teachers attended the one-day workshop, "Getting Ready for the Kansas Science Assessments: A workshop for high school teachers and administrators," presented November 30 at the Jones Institute for Educational Excellence at Emporia State University.

The workshop's presenter, Kelly Deters, is in her ninth year of teaching at Shawnee Heights High School and has taught a wide range of chemistry courses at both high school and college levels, including a chemistry class with an emphasis on art. She has presented at district, state and national levels on curriculum reform and inquiry lab techniques.

For more information, contact Bowling at mbowling@emporia.edu, or call 620-341-5672, or 1-877-378-5433.

Educators attending the conference included:

USD 231, Gardner –
Doug D'Albini, Jason Sutton

USD 259, Wichita –
Jan Crownover,
Megan Zapata

USD 378, Riley –
Dunia Harmison

USD 454, Burlingame –
Tom Fancher

USD 234, Fort Scott –
Karen Curran,
Todd Ferguson,
Julie Heatherly,
Linda Houston, Heather King

USD 267, Andale –
Mike Blasi, Heather Daerr
James Gregg, Shelley Strong

USD 384, Blue Valley –
Jennifer Taylor

USD 461, Neodesha –
Christine Pelton,
Sue Steanson

USD 244, Burlington –
Debbie Reed, Dave Sloop

USD 289, Wellsville –
Bill Cook, Duane McCarty

USD 389, Eureka –
Stacey Hart

USD 462, Burden –
Jason Braun, Tim Bumgarner

USD 253, Emporia –
Brandi Miller

USD 305, Salina –
Scott VanDeCreek

USD 420, Osage City –
Luanne Jacobs,
Marrion Smith

USD 490, El Dorado –
Todd Miller,
Teresa Rledinger

USD 257, Iola –
Sandra Scoggin

USD 364, Marysville –
John Hanke

USD 437, Topeka –
Doug Stanley, Cindy Wilson

USD 440, Halstead –
Adrienne Wedel

USD 258, Humboldt –
Staci Leavitt,
Teri Shaughnessy

USD 367, Osawatomie –
Doug Chisam, Mike Rush,
Mike Schainost

USD 446, Independence –
Ronda Taraboletti,
Dana Willis

USD 372, Silver Lake –
Judy Hamilton

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