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Included: Educators in attendance

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Educators Expand Abilities on Teaching Math

Nearly 45 Kansas teachers recently attended a workshop to help their students improve their math skills.

The workshop, called “Building a Solid Foundation: Math Facts, Computation & Problem Solving,” was held at the Jones Institute for Educational Excellence at Emporia State University Tuesday, December 4, 2007.

“Using this method, in five minutes a day teachers can maintain and improve students’ computation skills,” said Bob Winkler, the workshop’s leader. Winkler explained the teacher would post a similar equation every day, giving students’ consistent practice on that kind of problem for about a two-week cycle. The teacher then would add a new concept each day, still reviewing the previous computation, but progressing on to the next type of problem.

Winkler explained the repetition involved in the process enables students to master their computation skills and gain confidence so that they may progress on to the next level.

Winkler is the Director of Assessment and Research for the Shawnee Mission School District. He served as a primary author for the Kansas state math contest, has served on the Kansas Association of Mathematics Teachers board, and was president of the Kansas Area of Teachers of Mathematics.

For more information about this workshop, contact Toni Bowling at 620-341-5372 or 1-877-378-5433, mbowling@emporia.edu.

Educators in attendance at the workshop included:

USD 202, Kansas City –
Melanie Ochs

USD 205, Leon –
Pam Fleming

USD 231, Gardner –
Sara Schram

USD 244, Burlington –
Wanda Gleue, Denise
Herder, Mindy Loveless,
Wendy Smith , Patty Sutton,
Dorothy Wilson

USD253, Emporia –
Cindy Hadicke , Christy
Lienemann, Martha Shook,
Derek Temeyer, Jane Traylor

USD 259, Wichita –
Kimberly Conrad, Valerie
Thomas

USD 260, Burlington –
Monica Kruse, James
Morgan

USD 340, Meriden –
Amanda Hammond, Laurie
Middendorf, Leschia Sidener

USD 365, Garnett –
Amy Carey, Rae Ann
Johnson, Cindy McGhee,
Samantha Overstreet, Reva
Pracht

USD 373, Newton –
Amber Celestin, Amy Jones,
Sarah Livesay, Laura
Fahnestock, Megan Weaver,
Cathy Woodward

USD386, Madison –
Barb Kuhlmann

USD402, Augusta –
JoAnn Craven, Shirley
McNinch

USD420, Osage City –
Susan Smith

USD425, Highland –
Susanne Drimmel, Marla
Olson

USD449, Easton –
Katie Bilderback, Dawnee
Koonce, Jeanette Miller

USD 490, El Dorado –
Barbara Smith, Kim Woolf

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