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Preparing for State Assessments

As new Kansas Social Studies Assessments will be given in the spring of 2008, how do teachers prepare for them? A one-day workshop addressing the issues involved drew 28 educators to Emporia.

“Getting Ready for the Kansas Social Studies Assessments: A workshop for high school teachers and administrators,” was held February 27 at the Jones Institute for Educational Excellence at Emporia State University.

Marc Sonderegger, the workshop’s presenter, is a former second and fourth grade teacher and currently is a K-12 Curriculum Coordinator for the USD 437 Auburn-Washburn Public Schools. He is also co-coordinator of the district’s assessment program and a trainer of the Stiggin’s approach to Classroom Assessment for Student Learning. He has presented at state conferences, consulted for public and private schools across the state, and served on several NCA teams in Kansas.

Sherry Reed, the workshop’s presenter, is a K-12 Curriculum Coordinator for the USD 437 Auburn-Washburn Public Schools and was a trainer at the KSDE Social Studies Academy. Sherry is a former high school social studies teacher, curriculum administrator, grant writer, and school improvement consultant for an education service center serving more than 100 rural school districts. She has presented nationally and worked as a consultant in 11 states.

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

Educators attending the workshop included:

Andover –
Adam Melichar

Blue Rapids –
Ben Wiehn

Lebo –
Duane Colwell

Pittsburg –
Gary Wolgamott

Auburn-Washburn –
Sarah Emerson

Emporia –
Jamie Shaw

LeRoy –
John Chanley
Jeff True

Randolph –
Matt Schreiber

Augusta –
Doug Jefferson
Joan Reichardt
David Stephenson

Eureka –
Ben Clark

Marysville –
Jennifer Davis
Ami Johnson

Richmond –
Kelli Brown

Barnes –
Richard Turner

Gardner –
Derrick Abromeit
Rob Johnson

Osage City –
Jordan Atcheson

Topeka –
Susan Sittenauer

Belle Plaine –
Lindsay Fox

Hartford –
Paul Cassity

Paola –
Cristie Sims

Wellsville –
Steve Decker
Brent Shaffer

Holton –
Kurt Haussler

Wichita –
Trasa Castillo

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