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## Events for Kansas educators offered

Educators are being offered opportunities to train with technology, new system of support methods, and to explore the great outdoors in through offerings provided this fall. These events are offered through Emporia State University's Jones Institute for Educational Excellence. Online registration, as well as information regarding fees and materials needed for the workshops can be found at [www.emporia.edu/jones](http://www.emporia.edu/jones).

- September 14-15 – Multi-Tier System of Support (MTSS) Training: Structuring – This training session is designed to help schools create a structure to implement MTSS. It is recommended schools send teams to the training including: a district/building administrator, classroom teachers, Title 1 teacher, reading specialist, instructional coach, special education teacher, and – if possible – an ELL teacher, school psychologist, or counselor. See the web site below for more information.
- September 23 – Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve Educator Workshop Series: Land of "Ah-ha"! Educating in the Outdoors – A one-day workshop for grades 3-5 teachers providing an introduction to the educational possibilities at the Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve and to the unique benefits of natural, scientific, historical, and cultural education available in an outdoor setting. The day offers a series of sessions by biologists, historians, park service staff, and educators.
- September 30 – Multi-Tier System of Support (MTSS) Training: Implementation – A training session for schools to help schools analyze data, elect interventions for supplemental and intense instruction, and improve data-based decision-making processes.
- October 9 – Technology-Infused Learning for a Digital Generation – This one day conference sponsored by the Kansas Association for Educational Communications and Technology is offered for K-12 classroom teachers, technology teachers, and technical college instructors. The conference offers numerous sessions, all aimed at sharing ideas, tips and tricks to challenge learners through the use of technology.
- October 12 – Multi-Tier System of Support (MTSS) Training: Structuring – This training session is designed to help schools create a structure to implement MTSS. Schools may choose to begin this training either on September 14-15 or on October 12. Subsequent training will be necessary; see the web site for more information.
- November 13 – Empowering Students through Assistive Technology Infinitec Statewide Assistive Technology Conference 2009 & Outstanding Student Technology Awards Presentation – This annual conference sponsored by the Kansas Infinitec Coalition offers full and half-day sessions on the use of assistive technology. Students will be recognized at a luncheon for their use of technology in their instruction.

For more information about these events, visit [www.emporia.edu/jones](http://www.emporia.edu/jones) or contact Toni Bowling at [mbowling@emporia.edu](mailto:mbowling@emporia.edu), 1-877-378-5433, 620-341-5372.

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