



Call for Program Proposals

Conference 2010
October 22 & 23, 2010
The Penn Stater
State College, PA

Reading and Writing in an Age of Change

*YOU ARE INVITED TO SUBMIT A
PROPOSAL FOR THE ANNUAL
PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL OF
TEACHERS OF ENGLISH AND
LANGUAGE ARTS (PCTELA) STATE
CONFERENCE.*

*Educators at any level and at any phase of
their career, including pre-service teachers,
are encouraged to attend and/or present.*

CONFERENCE MISSION:

Today's world, rampant with ideals of reform and change, lends a like revisionary attitude to the educational community. *No Child Left Behind* changed our perspective on standards and objectives; the idea of 21st century literacy helped us to re-imagine our responsibilities to our students once again; and the hopeful emphasis on a more just and compassionate society can expand our views about our goals and our roles as educators and develop our ideas of what educational and societal progress can be. The 2010 conference will focus on reevaluating elements of our profession and reconsidering what works, what needs refinement, and what needs to be completely rebuilt.

During this conference, we hope to address the following questions:

- Have the expectations for educators changed at all over this past year and, if so, has that changed *our* goals?
- Do we need to consider new pedagogical outlooks in order to reach our students as well as our goals?
- How do our methodologies need to be adjusted to fit in with our revised vision?
- What technological resources do we need (or not need) to reach our goals?
- How do we balance basic literacy skills with 21st century literacy skills, especially for our at-risk students?
- How do we balance structure and skill-based lessons with lessons about problem-solving and critical, creative thinking in order to best serve our students, especially our at-risk students?
- How do we focus ourselves and our classrooms with the ever-expanding expectations of teaching "English?"
- How is modern consumerism a problem in our schools and in our students' lives, and how can we teach students to be aware of how consumer society affects them?
- How can we assist each other on a regular basis?

BASIC CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Several hundred Pennsylvania educators gather each fall at the annual PCTELA conference to profit from professional programs, panels, discussions, exhibits of books and materials, idea exchanges, guest speakers, and sharing classroom experiences. There are many opportunities for educators to participate as speakers, chairpersons, and recorders, and to assist in conference preparations.

PCTELA is a Pennsylvania Department of Education Act 48 Provider. The PCTELA conference is officially recognized by the Pennsylvania Department of Education as a professional development opportunity under the provisions of Act 48.

The conference is an affordable professional development opportunity with a fee of \$75 for each day, Friday and Saturday, with a \$10 total discount for those attending both days. Fees include several meals and a two year PCTELA membership.

Discounts are available for school districts which are interested in sending groups of teachers.

PLEASE NOTE: In accordance with the policy of the National Council of Teachers of English and as a non-profit educational organization, PCTELA is unable to reimburse participants for travel or lodging.

ALL PARTICIPANTS AT THE CONFERENCE, INCLUDING PRESENTERS, ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER FOR THE CONFERENCE AND PAY ALL APPLICABLE FEES.

Audio –Visual Resources

PCTELA can provide overhead projectors with accompanying screens. ***No other media equipment will be provided.*** Special accommodations can be granted on a case by case basis.

PROPOSALS ARE DUE March 20, 2010

Return proposals to:

Melissa Donner
Conference Chair
2924 Cambridge Street
Philadelphia, PA 19130

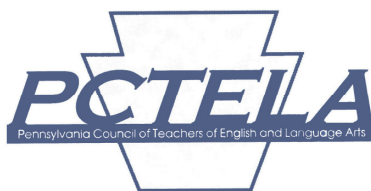
***IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS
CONCERNING THE CONFERENCE OR
ANY OF THE DETAILS OR
ARRANGEMENTS, PLEASE CONTACT:***

Conference Chairs 2008

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For Friday, October 22, 2010 Concurrent Sessions

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To
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Name

Home Address

School Name and Address

Phone (work)

Phone (home)

Email

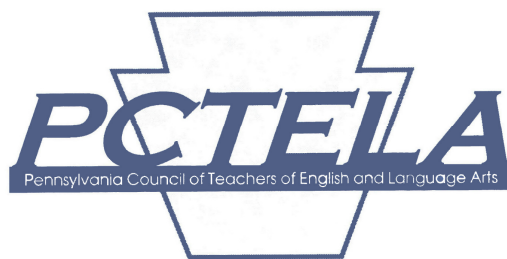
Title or topic of presentation or workshop

Please write a brief description of the presentation or workshop Use reverse as necessary.
(Length of conference session is ONE HOUR. Please allow time for questions at the end of your presentation.)

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Please indicate your audience level or group Elementary (K-6) Middle (4-7)
 Secondary (7-12) College General

PLEASE BE SURE TO MAKE A COPY OF THIS PROPOSAL FOR YOUR RECORDS!



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