

AGATE 2010: Beginning a Decade of New Horizons: Unlocking Tomorrow's Potential Today

Pre-Conference Sessions: Wednesday, February 24, 2009

- Lynn Huey, Talents Unlimited, Inc. (K-8 Thinking with Talents)
Spend the day with TU Director, Lynn Huey as she shares how the TU Model can assist programs in identifying students with talent as well as work with all students in unlocking their potential.
- Legislative Fieldtrip with Davis Hendricks
Spend the day learning how to become a better advocate for gifted education through this hands-on fieldtrip to the Arkansas Capitol to meet with state legislators.
- Janet Aaker Smith, Pieces of Learning
Join Janet for a day packed with strategies for hooking students into critical and creative thinking by using strategies that are challenging, novel and emotionally charged with fun!
- Egyptian Discovery Excursion- Arkansas Arts Center/Discovery Museum
Spend the morning with the Egyptians. Participants will enjoy presentations by a panel of presenters who will share units about Egypt and the Egyptian culture followed by a visit to the Arkansas Arts' Center "Pharaoh" exhibit. After lunch at the Arts Center Café, participants will visit the Museum of Discover for a "Hair Raising Good Time" to learn about upcoming renovations, teacher resources and new opportunities to be provided by the museum.
- Dr. Mary Suiter- What Makes a Good Economics Lesson?
This K-12 session will provide participants with great economics resources including several children's books (at various reading levels) to use in teaching economic concepts. Dr. Mary Suiter, Manager of Economic Education at the St. Louis Federal Reserve will share ideas for enriching lessons with economic concepts, information about economic standards and benchmarks, best practices guides and multiple resources for teaching economic principles.
- Tech 4 Learning- Digital Storytelling-GT Style
Participants will learn to use the Frames 4 software to create various technology products. This technology workshop will provide ideas for utilizing technology with GT classes in grades K-12 Extra fee for software and materials. Projects completed by participants will be showcased prior to the Thursday Luncheon in the Peabody Ballroom.

