

Call for Presenters!

NHSAA ~ NH School Administrators Association &
NHSTE ~ NH Affiliate of the International Society
for Technology in Education

Invite you to present at the

19th Annual New England Christa McAuliffe Technology Conference

November 29 through December 1, 2005
Sheraton Nashua Hotel ~ Nashua, New Hampshire



"I Touch the Future, I Teach"




Join our nationally renowned keynote
speakers . . .

Marc Prensky, Founder & CEO, Games2train
"Engage Me or Enrage Me: Educating Today's
Digital Native Learners"

Dr. Annette Lamb, School of Library and Information
Services

"Transforming Classrooms: Using Assessment
Data to Enrich the Learning Environment"

Dr. David Thornburg, Thornburg Center
"But Wait, There's More! Leveraging Emerging
Technologies to Maximize Student Achievement"

-  **Participate** in the largest TECHNOLOGY EXHIBIT & CONFERENCE for Educators in the Northeast.
-  **Demonstrate** the USE OF TECHNOLOGY to improve student achievement.
-  **Facilitate** a Professional Skills Development Center Hands-on Work Session, offered on-site during both day and evening sessions.

To be a presenter at the conference, complete the proposal form by May 27th and send it to:
NHSAA, 46 Donovan Street, Suite 3, Concord, NH 03301
Toll-Free at 1-866-753-4479 Fax: (603) 225-3225 Email: lucile@nhsaa.org

Request for Presentation and Work Session Proposals

The **2005 CHRISTA McAULIFFE TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE**
focuses on the following themes:

Digital Natives ~ Digital Immigrants: Understanding our Learning Styles

Data Driven Decision-Making for Instructional and Administrative Audiences

Assessing & Selecting Adaptive/Assistive Technologies: Leveling the Playing Field

Effective Integration Strategies: Increasing Student Achievement

Each year, educators and administrators from across New England and beyond gather at the Christa McAuliffe Technology Conference to explore the frontiers of learning technologies and bring practical applications back to their districts.

★ ★ ★ Requests for Proposals ★ ★ ★

You are invited to submit a proposal(s) for a presentation or work session at the 2005 Christa McAuliffe Technology Conference. This year's conference offers participants 1-hour, 2-hour, 3-hour, and Share-A-Thon sessions. Individuals representing all academic disciplines, instructional levels (including higher education teacher preparation), and all aspects of technology are encouraged to submit proposals. You may submit more than one proposal.

Submissions are due by May 27, 2005.

★ ★ ★ One-Hour Concurrent Conference Sessions ★ ★ ★

✓100 Opportunities Available

The **1-hour presentations** occur during the four concurrent session time blocks on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. You are invited to submit a proposal for a multi-media presentation, project presentation, panel discussion, or other type of activity that significantly promotes the conference themes. We are looking for approximately 100 presenters for these sessions. Presenters are strongly encouraged to use appropriate technologies as a component of their session and to emphasize the impact on student achievement.

★ ★ ★ Spotlight: Adaptive/Assistive Technologies Share-A-Thon Sessions ★ ★ ★

✓20 Opportunities Available

In keeping with the theme for the day, this year's **Share-A-Thon** has a special focus on **adaptive/assistive technology resources**. We are seeking approximately 20 educators to demonstrate the **adaptive/assistive technology resources** they are using in their schools/classrooms, including but not limited to hardware devices (input or output), software applications, peripherals, and operating system features. You are invited to bring in a student to help with your demonstration. For ninety minutes in the morning, attendees walk around and chat with Share-A-Thon presenters at their mini-booths (like a science fair). The rest of the day is for you to enjoy the conference offerings. The process is relaxed, comfortable, and easy for all parties involved. The **Share-A-Thon** reflects the conference's priority of offering effective staff development framed by classroom best practices of New Hampshire's outstanding educators.

*The foundation behind the Share-A-Thon is very simple --
teachers presenting to educators in a casual, "interest fair" style format.*

★ ★ Two- and Three-Hour Hands-on or Large Group Work Sessions "PSDC" ★ ★

✓30 Opportunities Available

These **2-hour and 3-hour sessions** comprise the **Professional Skills Development Center (PSDC)**, which provides intensive, hands-on (or large group) work sessions, on-site at the conference facility. Due to their popularity, again this year we anticipate scheduling these hands-on (or large group) work sessions beginning Monday morning and continuing throughout the conference, including Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings. We will be able to provide both Windows and Macintosh labs for the **Hands-on Professional Skills Development Center (PSDC)** sessions in 2005.

★ ★ ★ Conference Strands & Suggested Presentation Topics ★ ★ ★

On each of the three days of the conference, the program features presentations organized around five content strands. The content strand topics are listed below. Please consider these topics when submitting your proposals.

➔ *Digital Natives ~ Digital Immigrants: Listening to our Learners*

- Who are the Digital Natives, who are the Digital Immigrants, and how are they different? Why does it matter in teaching, learning, and professional development?
- Educational gaming and project-based learning strategies to engage the Digital Native
- Professional development for Digital Immigrants, why teachers learn differently and what works
- Strategies for creating active, engaged learning environments for all learners

➔ *Data Driven Decision-Making: Connecting Students, Content, Assessment, and Best Practice Strategies*

- What will state assessment data look like and how can we use it to inform instruction?
- Linking assessment data to teaching and learning strategies and resources
- Helping all students achieve Adequate Yearly Progress in support of “No Child Left Behind”
- Administrative uses of technologies, decision support systems, and electronic data interchanges
- School interoperability framework (SIF) and application service providers (ASPs), getting to information that matters and using it effectively
- Policy and legal issues related to student information and assessment data

➔ *Adaptive and Assistive Technologies: Leveling the Playing Field*

- Adaptive and assistive hardware solutions (input and output devices) for special populations of learners
- Adaptive and assistive software solutions to address access and control constraints
- Using operating system features (Windows and Mac OS) to customize the user interface for learning
- Strategies for providing access to digital content, what will IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) mean for schools?

➔ *What's Hot: Technology Trends and the Potential Impact on Learning*

- One-to-one access and on-demand learning for students and staff
- Empowering students to become independent learners and teachers of others
- Virtual learning, distance learning, online learning, and other innovative instructional practice
- Artificial intelligence, robotics, virtual reality, and future trends in educational technology
- Blogs, wikis, and creating online learning communities
- The power and potential of broadband combined with convergence and consolidation, where are we headed?

➔ *Reading, Math, Science, and Technology Connections*

- Project-base learning (PBL) links math, science, technology, and attracts girls to these subjects
- Information literacy, finding, evaluating, analyzing, and using information, today's challenge
- Graphing calculators, spreadsheet, and database integration, putting it all together
- Handheld computing in math and science classes using probeware and sensors
- Interdisciplinary units and authentic projects bring meaning to learning

It is the conference's goal to feature choices each day that address these critically important topics, highlight examples of successful practices, and share practical ideas.

HINT FOR PRESENTERS: Teachers who wish to highlight a specific software application during their session are encouraged to seek the sponsorship of a software distributor. The distributor may be willing to help pay for conference expenses, such as handouts, travel, hotel, and/or provide you with price sheets, samples, and demo disks. Our conference database of exhibitors contains information on many companies. Please feel free to contact Lucile at lucile@nhsaa.org for the name and contact information of our New England sales representatives.

Information for Presenters

★★★ Presenter Benefits ★★★

- ◆ **1-hour concurrent** and **Share-A-Thon session presenters** receive 1 free registration (includes lunch) to the conference on the day of their presentation.
- ◆ **2-hour PSDC Work Session presenters** have the option of a \$50.00 honorarium **OR** 1 free conference registration (includes lunch) on the day of their choice. Lunch is also provided for presenters on the day of their session (meal not included for evening or Monday session presenters).
- ◆ **3-hour PSDC Work Session presenters** have the option of a \$100.00 honorarium **OR** 2 free conference registrations (includes lunches) on another conference day of their choice. Lunch is also provided for morning and afternoon presenters on the day of their session.

*Please note: The conference is able to provide these registration benefits for a maximum of Two (2) presenters for each session. (Additional presenters must register for the conference.)
The honorarium is only available for One (1) presenter and is given in lieu of any Free days.*

★★★ Presenter Responsibilities ★★★

All presenters are responsible for the following:

- ◆ multiple copies of **participant handouts** including:
 1. abstract of the presentation including your name and school/group contact information
 2. list of the hardware and software needed to replicate the project
 3. sample(s) of student generated project work, if applicable
- ◆ **computer/peripherals/software** required for your presentation (**only an overhead, projection device, screen, TV/VCR, or Internet connection are available upon prior request**)
PLEASE NOTE: Projection devices are not available for Share-A-Thon sessions.
- ◆ **web-site/e-mail references** for participants to acquire further information or a more detailed abstract of your presentation

★★★ Deadlines and Details ★★★

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Instructions for Presenters

★★★ Presenter Proposal Form ★★★

- ◆ The ease of obtaining and submitting a **Presenter Proposal Form** is at your fingertips.

To Obtain:



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