

Integrate Science and Social Studies

Create Standards-Based Integrated Units

Date: Thursday, May 3, 2012
Presenter: Kay Davidson
Location: Southern Indiana Education Center, 1102 Tree Lane Drive, Jasper, IN
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time
Audience: Elementary and middle school social studies and science teams, principals, and curriculum coordinators
Fee: \$155 for SIEC/ESC Members; \$205 for non-members; \$35 for VU students

Feeling overwhelmed, with no time for fun in the classroom? Learn how to integrate standards from many subject areas so you can cover your bases, get your life back in order, and bring fun back into the classroom in the process.

Learn how to use the standards effectively as you identify your critical “big ideas” and develop creative units of study in the content areas. Strategies include:

- learning to paraphrase and organize the standards
- creating a long-range plan
- collecting sources of information
- mapping out a unit
- writing standards-based, detailed lesson plans
- differentiating instruction for special needs and gifted/talented students
- integrating other areas of the curriculum
- focusing on higher level thinking and Bloom’s Taxonomy
- abandoning worksheets—learning to be more creative

Learn Kay Davidson’s “Ten Steps to Sanity in a Standards-based Classroom.” During the day, you will develop one standards-based content unit that focuses on integration, higher-level thinking, differentiation, and creativity, and is standards-based.

Teachers: This is a hands-on work session. Come prepared to develop a two-week unit of study. Bring your content standards for science or social studies, a unit topic that needs to be developed, or one you have used in the past that you want to improve. You will also need to bring teaching materials for this unit that might include: textbook, (3) picture books, teacher supplementary books, articles, etc.

6 Professional Growth Points or 3 graduate credit hours will be available.
Please note that you need to register for this workshop by April 18, 2012.

Register online at: www.siec.k12.in.us/workshops



About the presenter: Kay Davidson is an Indiana native and former classroom teacher from the School City of Mishawaka. In 1997 she was School City of Mishawaka’s Teacher of the Year, and went on to become a finalist for Indiana Teacher of the Year. The following year, she received the Sagamore of the Wabash Award for contributions in education from Governor Evan Bayh.

In 1998 she created a writing program called The Simple 6™, and has since helped thousands of Indiana students become better writers. Tied to the Indiana Academic Standards for Language Arts and ISTEP, this program has had a tremendous impact on writing scores for many years. Teaching teachers throughout the United States, but preferring Indiana, she continues to work with schools and districts to improve their writing skills.

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