



Memorandum

To: Superintendents, Principals, Teachers, RESA staff
From: Robin Anglin, Science Coordinator, WVDE
Date: April 21, 2008
Re: **WV SciPack initiative**

The WVDE is offering a wonderful professional development opportunity for middle school science teachers and special education teachers of science. WVDE will provide the following in this initiative:

- Meals
- Mileage and Per Diem
- \$400 Stipend
- Access SciPack Lessons from NSTA (\$100 value)
- Free Graduate Credit (3 hours at Marshall)
- National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) Certificates of Proficiency

Total value is approximately \$700.00 per teacher.

The core of the professional development will be provided through two online NSTA courses that take about 10 hours each. Participants are to complete the NSTA courses during the fall of 2008.

A one-day training is required for teachers to learn how to access the online coursework. Participants will then need to successfully complete the 2 SciPack Courses with assessments before the end of the fall semester grading period for Marshall University.

Sixty slots are available. Thirty of these slots are reserved especially for teachers of special education. The remaining thirty slots are for middle school teachers interested in enhancing their science content. Elementary science teachers may also be included in the program if all of the positions are not filled by the middle school science and special education teachers.

Regional sites for the initial one-day training are established as follows:

July 10	Kellogg Elementary, 4415 Piedmont Rd, Huntington, WV
July 11	NASA IV & V, Marion County
July 17	Shady Spring Middle School, Raleigh County

Interested teachers should complete the **application attached with this email** and return it via email to Sandy Loftus at sloftus@access.k12.wv.us For more information contact Robin Anglin at ranglin@access.k12.wv.us or Sandy Loftus at 304-558-5325. Important: Applications must be submitted by May 25, 2007.

WV SciPack Project Training 2008 Application

Rank your preferences 1-3 of regional sites below (1 being 1st choice)

- _____ July 10 Kellogg Elementary, 4415 Piedmont Rd, Huntington, WV
- _____ July 11 NASA IV & V, Marion County
- _____ July 17 Shady Spring Middle School, Raleigh County

I am a (check the appropriate answer):

- _____ Middle School Science Teacher _____ Middle School Special Educator
- _____ Elementary School Science Teacher _____ Elementary School Special Educator

Complete the following contact information:

Name: _____

School Address: _____

School Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Home Address: _____

Email address: _____

Teaching Certification(s) _____

Subject(s) teaching in 2008-09 _____

Social Security number (required to receive stipend) _____

_____ I know my email address and password to check my email at a remote site.

RETURN BY May 25, 2007 to
sloftus@access.k12.wv.us