

New Teacher Academy

Far West GREAT Center

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This Academy will provide sustained professional development opportunities to support teachers new to the field of adult education. Components include:

- Information about adult learning theory and its application to classroom practice;
- Resources for lesson plans and classroom activities related to professional learning strategies and the Texas Adult Education Content Standards;
- Opportunities to reflect on what worked – and didn't work – in the classroom, and;
- Support and feedback from Academy mentors and peers.

8:30- 9:00

Welcome Back: Overview and Review

Each teacher will make a 10 – 15 minute demonstration of a classroom activity that you have implemented in your classrooms based on the one or more of the 20 professional learning strategies addressed in *Sit and Get" Won't Grow Dendrites*. Your presentations should include:

1. a demonstration of the activity
2. written instructions for conducting the activity, including handouts, worksheets, list of needed materials
3. identification of the professional learning strategy and Content Standard(s) addressed in the activity using the "Activities, Strategies, and the Texas Adult Education Content Standards Template"
4. written self-evaluation reflection of accomplishments, challenges, and outcomes addressing the following questions:
 - What went well?
 - What didn't go well?
 - What did the students learn?
 - What did you learn?

9:00 - 10:15

Teacher Presentations

10:15 - 10:30

Break

10:30 - 12:00

Teacher Presentations

12:00 - 1:00

Lunch (on your own)

1:00 - 2:00

My Life As A New Teacher Bio- Poem

2:00 - 2:15

Break

2:15 - 2:45

New Teacher Academy Reflection Questions

2:45 - 3:15

Gallery of Learning

3:15 - 3:30

Wrap-up and Evaluation



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