

RESP Director's Report

Amy Axtman November, 2010

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RESP Districts Receive PEP Grant

The RUFit Project was awarded a 2010 Carol M. White Physical Education Program (PEP) Grant for \$633,000. RESP will be working with the school districts of Glen Ullin, Hebron, New England, Richardton-Taylor, and South Heart on this project. The focus of this grant is to implement a comprehensive student health and wellness program in these districts. Grant implementation started immediately.

Amy Axtman will be working as the grant director and a grant coordinator is being hired. The fiscal agent for the grant is Hebron. The grant team has opened training on the SPARKS curriculum to all RESP districts that wish to purchase the curriculum. In addition, SPARKS trainers will be presenting at the January In-service.

Special thanks goes out to the RUFit grant writing team of Larry Sebastian, Jeff Meissner, Kris Nelson, Rhonda Herauf, Jodi Ryder and Sandy Bertelsen along with administrators Heather Hertz, Kevin Nelson, Kelly Rasch, Riley Mattson and Brent Bautz for their hard work and commitment to designing this project. What a great opportunity for our students!

Building Data Teams 2

The second session in the RESP Data Team Series will be held on November 15 from 9:00-4:00 on the DSU campus. At the request of participants, the session has been expanded to a full day of activities. The morning will feature information on designing on-line surveys and offer work-time for district data teams. The afternoon will feature Bill Demaree presenting information on using fall NWEA (MAP) results to steer educational improvement. Teams will continue to develop their District Dashboard. Go to the RESP website to register.

Learning in a Digital World

On January 17, 2011, international presenter and technology consultant Bernajean Porter will present *Project Headware: 21st Century Thinking with 21st Century Tools*. Enjoy a look at effective technology practices that support learning.

Several new breakout sessions have been added including Google for Teachers, Bringing Astronomy to North Dakota Classrooms, Technology for Physical Education and Technology for Agriculture.

Registration information and schedules will be available in December.

Technology for Teachers

RESP Educational Facilitator Sandy Bertelsen has been busy traveling across the region to provide technology for teachers. This semester training focused on three areas:

- Technology Application Projects(TAP) for Math
- Video in the Classroom (FLIP Video)
- Google Docs for Teachers

Technology training sessions have been held in Killdeer, Golva, Amidon-Marmarth, Twin Buttes, Hebron, Mott-Regent, Medora, Bowman and South Heart with Glen Ullin scheduled for December. The program comes with raving reviews! Second semester sessions will be available beginning in March and will offer some exciting new information. Contact Sandy for more information on the Technology for Teachers sessions. We would love to work with your teachers!

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