



Instructional/Assistive Technology Fall 2009



All required meetings will be held at the Bartow Airbase (Highway 17) from 4-7. Please see the website for [directions](#). Contact the local coordinator lourdes.day@polk-fl.net or call 863-647-4258 for more information.

Integrating Technology into the Curriculum	<u>Modules</u>	Required Meeting	Facilitator(s)
	<p>Integrating Boardmaker and Visual Strategies (20 In-service Credits/ETIPS Elective) Visual Strategies introduces numerous easy to use systems and strategies which help students understand, express themselves, improve overall behavior, and participate in school and home routines. These strategies may provide early, effective assistance to children who are having difficulty learning. Participants will learn to use Boardmaker software to create visual supports for differentiated instruction. Target group: <u>K-8 Teachers and Therapists</u> who work with diverse learners</p>	Tuesday Sept. 22, Oct. 6 AND Oct. 20 Must attend all 3 sections	Local Assistive Technology Team
	<p>Links to Literacy (25 In-service Credits/ETIPS Elective) Through the use of assistive technology, diverse learners and struggling readers can participate successfully in literacy centers that reinforce the six areas of reading. This hands-on presentation will address the components of effective reading instruction using technology tools, websites, and software in literacy centers. Target group: <u>Elementary Teachers, and Therapists</u> who work with diverse learners</p>	Monday, Sept. 14, Sept. 28, Oct. 12 AND Oct. 26 Must attend all 4 sections	Local Assistive Technology Team
	<p>PowerPoint 2007 Talking Books and More (20 In-service Credit/ETIPS Electives) Utilize PowerPoint 2007 as an effective classroom tool to engage students in their curriculum. Participants will create talking books that help struggling readers by pairing text to speech. Learn how to create and use PocketMods (small foldable books), Fact Flippers, Concentration & Jeopardy boards as well as many other activities to provide practice and reinforcement of skills. Target group: <u>All Teachers and Therapist</u></p>	Tuesday, Sept. 15, Sept. 29, AND Oct. 13 Must attend all 3 sections	Lourdes Day
	<p>Wonders of Word 2007: Differentiating Instruction through Technology (15 In-service Credits/ETIPS Electives) Learn how to navigate Word 2007 to create and edit documents using universal design. This hands-on professional development will teach you how to produce accessible forms and test that can be filled in on the computer with drop down menus. Learn how to summarize text and use highlighters for study skills and many other strategies using Microsoft Word 2007. This session will also provide a host of scaffolding ideas, and tricks to meet the needs of struggling readers and writers that can be used to support RTI model. Target group: <u>All Teachers and Therapist</u></p>	Monday, Oct. 5, Oct. 19, AND Nov. 2 Must attend all 3 sections	Lourdes Day
	<p>ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY 101 Online Course(30 Credits) This workshop will provide you insight & strategies on how to help struggling students be successful using lite tech solutions. Check out free software that combines text to speech. Participant will receive lite tech tools to use with their students. Only one face to face meeting required on Sept. 3 Target group: <u>All Teachers and Therapist</u></p>	Start Date Sept. 3 End Date Nov. 5	Lourdes Day

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting Tracy Hannah @ 647-4258 or Patricia Hunter, Equity Coordinator, @ 863-534-0513. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency by calling Florida Relay Service @ 1-800-955-8771

For Employees of Polk County School Board to register for all FDLRS classes you must use the Professional Development System Scheduler found on the Internet. You must first know your SAP ID number located on the top right hand corner of you paycheck. It starts with 0. To register go to <http://pds.polk-fl.net/login.asp>

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