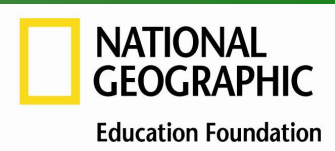




Alabama Geographic Alliance Summer Geography Institute



June 8th - June 12th, 2008
University of North Alabama

Institute Format

The institute is an intensive, four day program that allows teachers of social studies, geography and earth science to become exposed to current research and ideas coupled with grade-appropriate lessons that can be incorporated into a classroom immediately. Each day will consist of content presentations by geographers and earth scientists in a followed by classroom work, hands-on activities, and ready-made lessons. At least one field trip will be a part of the Institute. Potential topics include hurricanes, *Earth Caching*, map interpretation, Africa, weather, earthquakes, Middle East, urbanization, air photo interpretation, disaster recovery, and/or China.

Schedule

- ⓐ Arrive on Sunday afternoon, June 8th ready to *Earth Cache* and enjoy a cookout as you get to know other participants.
- ⓐ Monday through Wednesday, listen to geographers and earth scientists discuss topics relevant to the Alabama Social Studies and Science Courses of Study
- ⓐ Participate in hands-on lessons ready for you to take back to your classroom
- ⓐ Enjoy evening social time but also time for relaxing and reflection

Requirements

- ⓐ Attend all activities of the Institute including evening functions and field trips
- ⓐ Read all assigned material
- ⓐ Create and present a relevant lesson plan that you share with your Institute peers
- ⓐ Conduct two in-service workshops after completion
- ⓐ Spread the importance of geography

Timeline

- ⓐ Application Deadline: April 14th, 2008 (apply early, space is limited)
- ⓐ Institute Dates: June 8th - 12th, 2008
- ⓐ Graduate Course Dates: June 3rd - 30th, 2008

How to Apply

1. Complete an application form
2. Submit in writing why you believe geography education is important and how you expect to benefit from participating in the Institute
3. Have you principal, supervisor, or major professor sign you application form.
4. Mail the materials to:

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c/o Dr. Bill Strong
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