
Middle Level Literacy Institute
***Effective Teaching—Moving Students to Meaning from
What They Read and Write***
Dr. Timothy Rasinski

College of Charleston
July 23—24, 2008

The South Carolina State Department of Education (SCDE) and the South Carolina Middle School Association (SCMSA) are sponsoring a middle level literacy institute for teachers, coaches, and administrators. The Institute will promote the use of best practices in the teaching of reading and writing. The session is being offered for certificate renewal points by the SCDE.

Instruction in vocabulary, word decoding, fluency, and comprehension are key elements of any successful reading program. In this session, Dr. Tim Rasinski will share approaches to assessing and monitoring progress in these critical areas as well as instructional strategies that move students toward better comprehension and greater proficiency. Engaging and effective strategies for teaching written composition—from words, to sentences, to complete texts will be shared. Because many students who struggle in reading do not have sufficient vocabularies and comprehension strategies at their disposal, they often are less than proficient in their writing. Middle level teachers, coaches, and administrators are encouraged to attend.

The Institute will be held at the College of Charleston on July 23—24, 2008 from 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Coffee and lunch will be included each day. Additional information will be provided upon registration.

To register for the Institute, please mail the attached registration form and a check made payable to SCMSA for \$175 to SCMSA, Attention-Linda Allen, PO Box 6980, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29572. Payment is due with registration. No purchase orders will be accepted. Space is limited. **PARTICIPANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN LODGING ACCOMODATIONS.**

Participation will be on a first-come with check, first-served basis. A confirmation e-mail will be sent to registrants with directions and details for the Institute. Unless you receive a confirmation with Institute details, do not consider yourself registered. If you have any questions concerning the Institute, please contact Caroline Savage at 803-734-4770 or csavage@ed.sc.gov.

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