



The AACCS National Office offers professional development for teachers and administrators!

Five sessions of training will be offered. Training will be presented in a webinar format using the Adobe Connect platform. Teachers at any AACCS school with a computer and a broadband Internet connection may participate. Larger groups will require a display or digital projector and speakers. All training sessions are live (not recordings) and participants will interact with the instructor as they would in a virtual classroom or presentation. Four training sessions will include ten hours of interaction and will be eligible for ten contact hours of continuing education credit. The four training sessions will meet from 11 AM to 4:30 PM EDT on two consecutive days. A teacher may repeat a class taken previously but cannot receive contact hour credit for a repeated class. The fifth session is offered for school leadership (see course description on page 3). It meets for one day only.

2016 Summer Professional Development		
<i>New class!</i> Making the Connection Between Science and the Bible Relevant		
Instructor:	Miss Donna Mullenax	
Dates:	June 16–17	11 AM – 4:30 PM EDT
One, Two, Three, Four, Yes! We Want More... MATH!		
Instructor:	Mrs. Patty Soemer	
Dates:	June 20–21	11 AM – 4:30 PM EDT
Diagnosing and Treating Reading Difficulties in Your Class		
Instructor:	Mrs. Dana Davis	
Dates:	June 27–28	11 AM – 4:30 PM EDT
<i>New class!</i> Teaching Children with Disabilities in the Christian School		
Instructor:	Mrs. Lisa Joyner	
Dates:	June 30–July 1	11 AM – 4:30 PM EDT
<i>New class!</i> Staff Development Using <i>Marks of a Healthy Christian School</i>		
Instructor:	Dr. Jeff Walton	
Date:	July 27	11 AM – 4:30 PM EDT

Registration Deadline: June 8

- Costs are for *each class*. Reduced costs are for multiple participants *in the same class* and *at the same location*.
- One to five participants at a school - \$40 each participant
- More than five participants - \$200 plus \$10 for each participant above five
- There will be a \$25 late fee for those who register after the deadline (June 8).



Making the Connection Between Science and the Bible Relevant

New class!

[All teachers]

Instructor: Miss Donna Mullenax teaches physics and astronomy at Armstrong State University in Savannah, GA. She earned her Masters of Science in Physics at Clemson University and bachelor degrees in physics, mathematics, and secondary education from West Virginia University. Since graduating from Clemson, Miss Mullenax has been studying science and the Bible and giving presentations at churches and schools.

Course Description: This course will examine science with a biblical worldview and the relevancy of teaching science with a biblical worldview. The history of the uniformitarian movement will be discussed, along with its impact on young people today. Various evidences science gives for a young earth and global flood will be discussed. Participants will collaborate on ways to best present these topics to students.

One, Two, Three, Four, Yes! We Want More... MATH!

Last summer for
this class!

[Elementary and Middle School Teachers]

Instructor: Mrs. Patty Soemer earned her B.A. in counseling from Bob Jones University in 1992 and an M.Ed. in teaching and learning from Liberty University in 2013. She has over 13 years of experience teaching at the kindergarten, elementary, middle school, and high school levels. She has drawn upon her NILD training, master's classes, observations, and her experience in resource classes to differentiate instruction to meet the needs of students in both the mainstream and resource classes. She is currently the Director of Curriculum and Instruction at Friendship Christian School (Raleigh, NC).

Course Description: This course will address each of the five content standards (number and operations, algebra, geometry, measurement, and data analysis and probability) and will provide activities for each. This class will also look at these standards from a biblical worldview and relate how God is revealed through math. Each person attending will gain some ideas to create a new rhythm in math lessons and to challenge both teacher and student to see math differently. A few of the resources discussed will include manipulative ideas, songs, fun and educational websites, and children's books to be used in the math classroom. Attendees are encouraged to bring their ideas to share as well.

Diagnosing and Treating Reading Difficulties in Your Class

[Elementary and Middle School Teachers]

Instructor: Mrs. Dana Davis leads the faculty of Maranatha Baptist University in online pedagogy as MBU's Instructional Designer. Mrs. Davis is currently teaching Children's Literature, Diagnosing and Treating Reading Difficulties, and Technology for Teaching and Learning in MBU's School of Education. Dana completed a B.S. in elementary education from Southern Illinois University and M.S. in education with a concentration in reading from the University of Wisconsin-Stout. She is certified as a master online teacher by the ION program of the University of Illinois.

Course Description: This course examines the reading process and the five essential elements of reading. Participants will discuss the causes of individual differences in reading ability and focus on various methods for identifying and assessing reading problems. Finally, specific strategies for correcting reading difficulties will be demonstrated.

Teaching Children with Disabilities in the Christian School

New class!

[All teachers]

Instructor: Mrs. Lisa Joyner earned a B.A. in English and history from Tennessee Temple University in 1988 and an M.Ed. in cross-categorical special education from Regent University in 2006. In 2007 Mrs. Joyner developed the Specialized Learning Center as a part of the ministry of Friendship Christian School (Raleigh, NC). She is currently the director of this program which serves approximately sixty students each year. She has over seventeen years' experience as a teacher in elementary, middle school, high school, special education classes, and college classes.

Course Description: Christian families with children who have special needs are desperate to find schools where their children can be educated in a nurturing environment with a biblical worldview. Too many Christian schools turn these precious children away. It is possible for Christian schools to be a blessing to these families. Teachers don't need a degree in special education to teach a child with special needs. They just have to be willing to expand their knowledge and do some things a little differently. This course will prepare the participant to (1) read and understand the public school IEP, (2) interpret the results of a psychological/educational evaluation, (3) assist families with testing through the public school (helpful handouts included), (4) produce a simplified version of a non-public school IEP, and (5) prepare an effective strategy for teaching the student with special needs.



Staff Development Using *Marks of a Healthy Christian School*

New class!

[School leaders]

Instructor: Dr. Jeff Walton holds a Bachelor of Science degree in education from Bob Jones University, a Master of Education degree from the University of Richmond, and a Doctor of Divinity degree from Virginia Baptist College. He has served in Christian education as a teacher, school administrator, state association director, and Bible college administrator. He currently serves as the executive director of the AACS.

Course Description: This course will provide guidance and practical assistance for using the book *Marks of a Healthy Christian School* for ten hours of professional development with a school staff. The course is intended for administrators and other school leaders who would serve as facilitators for a staff development activity. *Marks of a Healthy Christian School* was written by Dr. Phil Suiter and published by the AACS in 2015. The course will survey the book and the guides provided for discussion and activity. This is a five-hour course, but participants will be required to read the book and prepare for discussion *before* the group meets on July 27. Course fee does not include purchase of the book.

Equipment Requirements

1. Go to http://admin.adobeconnect.com/common/help/en/support/meeting_test.htm
2. The Connection Test checks your computer to make sure all system requirements are met. If you pass the first three steps of the test, then you are ready to participate in a meeting.
3. Microphone

Additional Information

- Participation must be at an AACS school. Home participation is not permitted for these sessions. A school official will be responsible for certifying attendance and active participation.
- Each training is completed in a two-day period.
- All communication regarding the class and all materials for the class will be communicated electronically (email) to **one** designated recipient at the school. That person will be responsible for distributing information and course materials to participants.
- Adobe Connect will not require any registration or licensing at the participant end. Adobe Connect is very intuitive and easily used.
 - Each participant location will be required to log in to a test prior to the class session. The test will ensure that equipment and connections function properly and that the person who will be responsible for the equipment at the user location understands how to connect and operate the equipment.
 - **Test sessions will be offered May 18 at 9 AM and 3 PM, June 1 at 1 PM, and the first day of each class at 9 AM.**
 - **All times are listed in Eastern Daylight Time.**

You may have as many participants at your site as you wish. Additional information about each class will be sent to the contact designated on your registration form.

For more information contact the AACS office.

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2016 Summer Professional Development Registration Form

AACS Office Use Only

Date Recd _____

___ Fax ___ Mail ___ Email

Check # _____

Amount Recd _____

Contact Information*

Name _____ Position _____ Date _____

E-mail _____

*** Information must be for the class contact person. Class information and course materials to be reproduced for participants will be emailed to the email address provided.**

School Information

School _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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	Dates	# of Attendees	Cost
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Registration and fees are due by June 8.

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