

Professional development for teachers and administrators.

Six sessions of training will be offered. Training will be presented in a webinar format using the Adobe Connect platform. Teachers at any AACS 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. Five training sessions will include ten hours of interaction and will be eligible for ten contact hours of continuing education credit. The five 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. Dr. Walton's session is offered for school leadership (see course description on page 3). It meets for one day only.

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Dates:	June 15–16	11 AM – 4:30 PM EDT			
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Dates:	July 20–21	11 AM – 4:30 PM EDT			

Registration Deadlines June 7 (June classes) • July 6 (July classes)

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New Class! Using G Suite for Education, Google Classroom, and Chromebooks Effectively

[All teachers]

Instructor: Dr. David Warren graduated from Calvary Baptist Academy (Midland, MI) in 1992 and now serves as the school's secondary principal. He has a desire to see Christian education effectively use all of the tools available in the 21st century to train the next generation. In addition to serving as secondary principal, David is also the discipleship pastor at Calvary Baptist Church. He has been instrumental in keeping CBA ahead of the curve implementing technology in the classroom. He is Google Certified and holds many other education technology certifications.

Course Description: Chromebooks are easy-to-use, fast, and secure computers. Because they remove the technology hassles letting teachers focus on teaching and learning, Chromebooks are a favorite for teachers. In these sessions participants will (1) learn how best to take advantage of these devices in their classrooms, from basic use and customization to integrating Google tools and services, (2) explore a variety of ways to use the free G Suite for Education tools in the classroom, (3) learn to move beyond the static workflow environment and take advantage of the full suite of dynamic features that are now standard in G Suite for Education, (4) take a peek at what's new and explore what's possible when students have access to these tools and these advanced features.

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 Director of Online Instruction. 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, an M.S. in education from the University of Wisconsin-Stout and is a licensed Reading Teacher. She is certified as a master online teacher through the ION program at 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.

New Class! Lifting the Curtain on Dyslexia: Facts, Identification, and Strategies

[All teachers]

Instructor: Mrs. Cindy Hall designed and serves as the director of the Dyslexia Center at Lindsay Lane Christian Academy (Athens, AL). She is a graduate of Faith Baptist Bible College with post-graduate work in special education at Iowa State University and training in the Orton-Gillingham approach for dyslexic learners from AOGPE Fellows. She has 17 years of classroom teaching experience and 12 years of experience working specifically with dyslexic learners, who inspire her to educate teachers everywhere about dyslexia and how to teach dyslexic students.

Course Description: One person in five has some degree of dyslexia, so there are dyslexic students in your classrooms. This course is intended to help teachers identify their dyslexic students by learning the characteristics of dyslexia. Participants will learn basic facts about dyslexia, which will dispel myths and lead to appropriate expectations, and will learn specific evidence-based strategies to help dyslexic learners. An overview of how the dyslexia center works inside LLCA, how it has boosted school enrollment, and information about how to become a trained Orton-Gillingham tutor will also be presented.

Making the Connection Between Science and the Bible Relevant [All teachers]

Instructor: Miss Donna Mullenax teaches physics and astronomy at Armstrong State University in Savannah, GA. She earned her Master's 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.

Staff Development Using Marks of a Healthy Christian School

[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 19. Course fee does not include purchase of the book.

Serving Children with Disabilities in the Christian School

[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 60 students each year. She has over 18 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.



- 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.
- Classes must be viewed live. Recordings will not be made available.
- 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 24 at 4 PM, June 13 at 9 AM, and the first day of each class at 9 AM. Each test session is 30 minutes.
 - 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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2017 Summer Professional Development Registration Form

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