# **CIRCLE ENEWSLETTER**

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# A. EARN PAC CREDIT FOR CIRCLE SUBMISSIONS

Each year, Adventist teachers create instructional materials, then move on, and their investment is often lost. Much time and money could be saved if every teacher shared their ONE best personally created resource through CIRCLE each year. Imagine accessing over 60,000 new teaching tools each year, reflecting the Adventist worldview from 7,000 Adventist schools and colleges.

Have you considered sharing resources, but don't have the time? The good news is that NAD K-12 teachers can now negotiate PAC credit with their superintendent and union certification registrar for personally developed resource submissions to CIRCLE. Before leaving the classroom for summer, polish and share your best daily lesson starters, lesson plans, thematic units, course outlines, school-wide master plans intentionally built on the Adventist worldview. Submit documents online, or email for help. Once approved, send the link to your union registrar, to receive PAC credit for the number of hours you negotiated.

This year teachers have asked for the following – can you share a resource for one or more of these needs?

- 1. School policies & forms, eg. standards for school-sponsored activities on Sabbath
- 2. Adventist heritage and history resources
- 3. Health and wellness resources
- 4. Religion or Bible courses designed for non-Christian students
- 5. Adventist education research
- 6. Multigrade thematic units & classroom management strategies
- 7. Academy/high school content resources that integrate faith in any subject area

An NAD summer committed will be working on spiritual resources. Please submit any resources you've developed or recommend for this purpose directly to <a href="mailto-garry.Sudds@lucsda.org">Garry.Sudds@lucsda.org</a>, or mail to Lake Union Conference Education Office, P.O. Box C, US Hwy 31, Berrien Springs, MI 49103. (The PAC credit option is available for personally developed item, but recommended publications and websites are welcome too.)

# **B. INVITATION TO REVIEW EPA ACID RAIN STUDY GUIDE**

The US Environmental Protection Agency is inviting private school teachers to review the latest edition of their Acid Rain Study Guide. A draft copy for students at grades 4 though 8 levels can be viewed at <a href="http://circle.adventist.org/download/Acid\_Rain\_3.20.07.pdf">http://circle.adventist.org/download/Acid\_Rain\_3.20.07.pdf</a> The review copy will not be precisely the same. Evaluation forms will be provided to reviewers. Adventist teachers willing to review can make their willingness known by sending short messages to Erika Wilison, the EPA Office of Air and Radiation person responsible for this publication. Information to include: teacher and school name, teacher street address, e-mail address and phone number, and a list of grades taught this year. Erika's email address is Wilson.Erika@epa.gov

## C. LIBRARY DATABASES FOR K-12 SCHOOLS

Is your school interested in library database partnership? Please invite your school librarian to complete the ALICE survey before June 1, 2007.

http://circle.adventist.org/services/surveys/survey.phtml?name=alice06

#### D. NETWORK WITH ADVENTIST TEACHERS

Do you belong to active online groups for Adventist teachers for your area of specialization? Email the link to <a href="mailto:glynisb@andrews.edu">glynisb@andrews.edu</a> to build a list of links through CIRCLE. Here are two to begin with: <a href="mailto:Adventist Education Forum">Adventist Education Forum</a>, <a href="mailto:Adventist Education Forum">Adventist French Teachers Google Group</a>

#### E. CIRCLE FEATURED RESOURCES

- 1. NAD Science Curriculum Guide 9-12
- Music & Visual Arts Curriculum Guide 9-12
- 3. Science new subcategories, many new entries
- 4. Art & Music new and updated entries
- 5. Marketing tools to communicate the value of Adventist education
- 6. MN superintendent Pam Consuegra's Education Sabbath Sermon
- 7. An Affirmation of Creation Adventist Faith & Science Conference Statement

## F. AVLN SUMMER 2007

Integrating technology in the curriculum, technology in the early elementary classroom, developing webquests, internet research and projects, integrating technology through service.... if you need an Adventist technology course, consider AVLN's great distance education options, available during the summer only. http://avln.org/

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