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LAWRENCE LOWERY

“How People Learn Mathematics and Science”

CAESP ELEMENTARY SPRING CONFERENCE

• Monday, May 3, 2004 •
The Farmington Marriott, Farmington, CT
May 3, 2004

8:00  Registration/ Coffee/ Exhibit Viewing
8:50  Welcome/ Opening Remarks
9:00  Keynote Address

Lawrence Lowery
“How People Learn Mathematics and Science”

The keynote will present ideas on how people become “experts” in math and science and how teachers can move “novices” toward expertise. Some information on how the brain processes and learns will deepen and enrich teaching strategies. Examples will span all the grade levels.

9:45-10:15  Exhibit Viewing
10:15-11:45  Morning Workshop
11:45-12:15  Exhibit Viewing
12:15-2:00  Luncheon
2:00  Afternoon Workshops
3:30  Conclusion

An extensive lunch buffet including 3 main entrees. Continuously replenished refreshment breaks:
A.M. service features freshly brewed coffees and teas, assorted juices, soft drinks, sparkling waters, fresh whole or sliced fruits, assorted breakfast pastries, breads, bagels and/or croissants.
P.M. service includes freshly brewed coffees and teas, assorted juices, soft drinks, health snacks, fun snacks, and assorted baked goods.

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Please indicate your workshop choice by workshop number:
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1. CAS Elementary Member Schools’ Personnel — $ 99.00
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KEYNOTE SPEAKER
LAWRENCE LOWERY

Lawrence Lowery is a professor emeritus at the University of California at Berkeley. He was the Principle Investigator for both the EQUALS math program and FAMILY MATH at the Lawrence Hall of Science. He remains active as the Principle Investigator for the Full Option Science System (FOSS), a science curriculum for grades K-8 developed at the Lawrence Hall of Science. Professor Lowery has taught science in every grade K-12. He continues to publish and edit articles and books, the most recent being The Kingfisher Science Encyclopedia (New York and London, 1993), Pathways - Guidelines to Implementing the Science Standards (NSTA publication, 1997), The Biological Basis for Thinking and Learning (Lawrence Hall of Science Monograph, 1998), How Science Curriculums Reflect Brain Research (Phi Delta Kappan article, November 1998), one of several authors of Teaching for Inquiry (National Science Education Standards Addendum, 2000), Developing Minds (Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, 2001), and The Nature of Inquiry (NRC, Science, Technology, and Children, 2002).

Professor Lowery has also received numerous awards: Outstanding Science Educator of the Year (1992) Association for the Education of Teachers of Science (AETS); Distinguished Career In Science Award (1993) National Science Teachers Association (NSTA); Best Software Program in Mathematics (1996) Peter Rabbit’s Math Garden, Newsweek Editor’s Choice; President’s Quality Gold Award (1998) Sandia Laboratories for Distinguished Program (LASER) in Science Education; Induction into the Science Hall of Fame (2002) - State of Texas award for contributions made to science education.
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Afternoon Workshops
Please pick 1st and 2nd choices

1 Designing Curriculum Based Upon How Students Learn
Some fundamental ideas related to learning math and science are important for framing activities or curriculum. These ideas will be exemplified through some hands-on experiences that demonstrate how teaching and learning work together. Be ready to learn something you did not already know.

Presenter: Lawrence Lowery

2 Moving from Arithmetic to Algebra
The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) and the State of Connecticut each have a standard that calls for Algebra to be taught from the earliest grades. We will look at how arithmetic in an elementary classroom can lead to algebraic thinking. Come prepared to explore hands-on activities!

Presenter: Charlene Tute Nichols, Math Consultant, SDE

3 Achieving the Vision of the New Science Curriculum Framework: Looking Beyond Who Teachers What!
Do you and your colleagues find yourselves fretting over whether your favorite dinosaurs unit must become extinct or snarling about who gets to teach about electricity? This workshop, facilitated by SDE Elementary Science consultant Liz Buttner, will help you see that “aligning” your school curriculum with Connecticut’s new Science Curriculum Framework means much more than simply deciding what is taught; the bigger change will come in how science is taught, learned and assessed. Through group discussion and individual reflection, learn about the 5 elements of effective school science programs, and how your school can make a strategic plan for making science meaningful, exciting and memorable for all students.

Presenter: Liz Buttner, SDE Elementary Science Curriculum Consultant