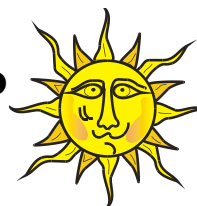


**WASHINGTON STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND
SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATORS
JULY 25th – JULY 30th, 2010**



The purpose of this Institute is to provide public school personnel who are, or will be, working with a blind or visually impaired (BVI) child in their local school, with foundational knowledge, skills and experiences that will allow the participant to understand the impact of vision loss on learning. At the end of this unique, fun and fascinating Institute, participants realize that, under the direction of a Teacher of the Visually Impaired, they have the ability and confidence to provide appropriate instruction, assessment, strategies and interventions that will allow the VI/Blind student to thrive, blossom, achieve and succeed.

When: July 25th – July 30th, 2010

Where: WA State School for the Blind, Vancouver WA

Contact Information: Call Dee Amundsen at 360-696-6321 X124 or email dee.amundsen@wssb.wa.gov if you have questions.

Cost: \$350. In addition to 5 days of instruction, this fee also includes lodging, a great daily breakfast, snacks and a barbeque.

Scholarships: Fifteen (15) \$150 scholarships will be awarded, thanks to a generous grant from The Gibney Family Foundation. To apply, please fill out requested information on the Summer Institute registration form.

Lodging: Lodging is included in the registration fee. Participants stay in the modern, air- conditioned cottages on campus that WSSB students reside in during the school year. Each cottage has a full kitchen, private bedrooms, community bathroom and living room. Men and women will have separate residences.

Who should attend: Any person who works with visually impaired or blind children in public school and has had limited experience or education in the field of blindness. Typically participants include: teachers (classroom and special education), paraprofessionals, OT, PT and speech and language specialists, administrators, school psychologists and other related service personnel.

Institute Format: This institute is limited to 50 participants. We have seven core staff and several guest presenters. All instructors are highly experienced and educated in the field of visual impairment and blindness. We start each day as a large group with breakfast and some group instruction. Instruction includes some lecture but we believe that learning is best supported for participants by having as many hands-on, experiential

learning opportunities as possible. Throughout the week we will also break into smaller groups so that your learning can be personalized to meet the needs of your particular student(s).

Credits/clock hours: This Institute is available for 3 credits or 33 clock hours from Seattle Pacific University. Cost for clock hours (\$45) and credits (\$129) are additional.

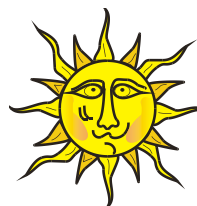
These are some of the topics that will be addressed:

- Travel Skills – Orientation and Mobility
- The Eye & Vision Disorders
- Vision Loss & Learning
- Adapting Environments & Materials
- Assistive Technology
- Physical Education
- Social Skills & Vision Loss
- Daily Living and Self-help Skills
- Your Role in the Classroom
- Assessment
- Braille and other Literacy Media
- Low Vision Aids

Special Notes

- On Wednesday, July 28th, classes are over at noon to allow participants an afternoon and evening to explore this beautiful area of Washington on their own. Shopping and dining in Portland, a trip to the Oregon coast or a trip to the Mt. St. Helens Visitor's Center have all been popular activities.
- Experience a night out for dinner at a local restaurant while under the sleep shade!
- Meet and listen to panels of VI/blind students and adults talk about their experiences in both public and residential schools.

WSSB SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATORS



July 25th – July 30th, 2010

Registration fee: \$350 (includes lodging and daily breakfast)

Make checks/purchase orders payable to: WSSB Summer Institute for Educators

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

School District: _____ Your Role: _____

Please check the box that best represents the student(s) you serve:

- Birth – 5 Elementary Middle School
 High school Multiple disabilities

Scholarship Information

Are you using personal funds to pay for this Institute?

- Yes No

Is your school district paying for you to attend this Institute?

- Yes No

Will you be using a combination of personal funds and school district money to pay for this Institute? Yes No

Do you receive professional development funds?

- Yes No

Are you being reimbursed for per diem or mileage?

- Yes No

Are you receiving additional money from any other source to pay for this Institute? Yes No

Institute Limited to 50 Participants * Registration Deadline July 16th, 2010

Mail registration form and payment to:

Washington State School for the Blind

attn: Dee Amundsen

2214 East 13th Street

Vancouver, Washington 98661

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