



GEMS Associate's Institute Agenda-at-a-Glance



Monday – Day One			
7:45	Library - Breakfast, Welcome, Introductions, Science Journals		
	Grades K-2 in room 2435	Grades 3-5 in room 2320	Grades 6-8 in room 2570
8:30	Eggs, Eggs, Everywhere	Algebraic Reasoning	Life Through Time
9:00	On Sandy Shores	Environmental Detectives	
10:00			
12:00	Cafeteria – LUNCH		
12:45	Elephants and Their Young	Acid Rain	The Real Reason for the Seasons
2:30	Computer Lab Technology Extensions	Library-Role of GEMS Associates, Coupons	
3:15	Library-Role of GEMS Associates Coupons, Comment Cards End of Day One	Computer Lab-Technology Extensions, Comment Cards, End of Day One	Library-Role of GEMS Associates, Coupons, Comment Cards End of Day One
3:30			
4:00			

Tuesday – Day Two			
7:45	Library - Breakfast and Reflect on Comment Cards David Middendorf, Carolina Biological Supply and Focus on Handbooks		
	Grades K-2 in room 2435	Grades 3-5 in room 2320	Grades 6-8 in room 2570
9:00	Frog Math Early Adventures in Algebra	In All Probability	Plate Tectonics
9:30		Plate Tectonics	
10:00			
11:00			Dry Ice
12:00	Cafeteria – LUNCH		
12:45	Group Solutions and Treasure Boxes	Messages from Space	Dry Ice continued
2:00	Computer Lab Technology Extensions	Testing & Assessment Using GEMS	
2:45	Library-Testing & Assessment Using GEMS, Comment Cards End of Day Two	Computer Lab-Technology Extensions, Comment Cards, End of Day Two	Library-Testing & Assessment Using GEMS, Comment Cards End of Day Two
3:30			
4:00	Happy Hour at El Chico's		

Wednesday – Day Three			
7:45	Library - Breakfast and Reflect on Comment Cards		
	Grades K-2 in room 2435	Grades 3-5 in room 2320	Grades 6-8 in room 2570
8:00	Library-The Role of GEMS Associates	Library-The Role of GEMS Associates	Cafeteria "Annotated" Oobleck
9:15	Cafeteria-"Annotated Oobleck"	Cafeteria-"Annotated Oobleck"	Library-The Role of GEMS Associates
10:15	Designing Mixtures, Science and Literacy	Electric Circuits	Only One Ocean
11:15			
12:00	Cafeteria – Lunch		
12:45	Liquid Explorations	Bubble-ology	Bubble-ology
2:00	Computer Lab Technology Extensions	Library- <i>Architecture of Reform</i> , Workshop Scenarios	
2:45	Library- <i>Architecture of Reform</i> Workshop Scenarios	Computer Lab Technology Extensions	Library- <i>Architecture of Reform</i> Workshop Scenarios
3:30	Library - Certificates and Congratulations, Receive Guides and Handbooks, Comment Cards End of Day Three		
4:00			



GEMS Associate's Institute Details



The Directions:

- The school is a few blocks off I-35 E in Lewisville. Use **Mapquest** to print a map from your home or hotel to the school address **2075 Edmonds Lane, Lewisville, TX 75067**.
 - The school phone number is **469-713-5963**.
 - Rosemary's cell phone number is **972-567-8539**.
 - Please call if you are lost or need help.
- Southbound traffic on I-35 E is heavy mornings, northbound traffic is heavy afternoons.
 - Take the Corporate exit off I-35 and go west to Edmonds, turn right to see the school.
 - Take Fox Ave. exit off I-35 and go west to Edmonds. Turn left on Edmonds to Corporate. The school is on the hill at your left.
- The parking area near the front door accommodates about 30 cars, so **arriving EARLY** has its benefits. The staff parking area on the south side of the building is your other option.



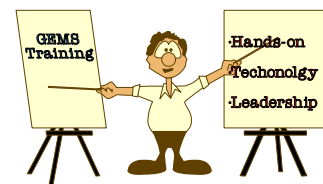
The Food and Attire:

- Dress casually and for comfort (A/C ups and downs).
- Please come hungry! Breakfast and lunches will have choices for everyone including low-carb-dieters, diabetics, and vegetarians. And for those not dieting . . . we have great cooks . . . and chocolate will be available daily!
- Water, soft drinks, and light snacks will be available during morning & afternoon sessions. Please email Rosemary if you have a peanut allergy, ssibastrop@hotmail.com



The Training:

- GEMS guide training from master teachers.
 - Guide presentations are presented as hands-on workshops where you are active participants, learning as students would.
 - This year we have added Technology Extensions and participants will receive a CD to use in implementing these.
 - **If you need multi-level training please choose one level (K-2, 3-5, 6-8) to attend each day.**
- Leadership training activities familiarize you with the GEMS philosophy and approach, how to use GEMS handbooks, and your role as an advocate for GEMS.
 - Leadership training will be presented in a larger group format with interactive small group tasks.
- This training is intense! You will be tired at the end of each day and wonder where the time went (or we haven't done our jobs).
- You will receive a professional development certificate for 22.5 hours as well as a GEMS Associate's Certificate at the end of the training.
- The Institute will be attended by almost 70 teachers from every region of Texas and a few from Louisiana. An added benefit for everyone is the collaboration and sharing of teaching strategies, ideas, and personal classroom experiences.



The GEMS Guides You Get:

- The entire GEMS guide collection will be available for you to preview during the Institute.
- By lunch on Wednesday you will complete your GEMS guide selection process.
- You will receive your guides by mail within a few weeks after the Institute.
- We are also excited to have outstanding door prizes! **10 lucky winners will receive a GEMS KIT, compliments of Carolina Biological Supply Company.**



The After Hours Activities:

- We invite you to a special “social” on Tuesday after the training at El Chico's. It's a chance for more collaboration with each other and the presenters. Karen and Rosemary want to show you their own products during this time, so appetizers and soft drinks will be on them!
- Lewisville has a huge mall area and MANY restaurants and movie theaters for your evening entertainment.



The Hotel Information (if needed):

- Hampton Inn, 885 S. Stemmons Frwy (1-35E), Lewisville, 75067, 972-420-1318
- La Quinta, 1657 S I Hwy 35E, Lewisville, 75067, 972-221-7525
- Best Western, 330 E. Corporate Drive, Lewisville, 75067, 972-459-5300



This annual training is a labor of love by the whole presentation team.

**Karen Ostlund and Julia Fortman
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**Please let me know if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you!
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