

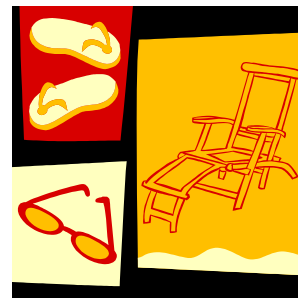
Welcome Back

Time sure flies when you are having fun. We'd like to welcome everyone back to school. Since the last meeting there have been many updates and opportunities to our member schools of the Lorain County Distance Learning Consortium (LCDLC). We will be sending updates through the listserv and the district advocates. If you are not on our email listserv please contact us and we will add you right away.

With the success of the teacher in-services last year, we believe this year will be our most exciting year yet. Last year we had our largest number of teacher partnerships; thirty five. A strong group of returning and new teachers participated in many educationally rich programs that enhanced the curricula of more classes than ever before. This year, we plan to offer some additions to our program offerings and professional development. We would love your assistance in developing programs and recruiting teachers to be part of our group.

Along with our IVDL professional development, the LCDLC plans to offer a series of professional development programs and opportunities for classroom teachers grades K-12. Schedules and updates will available on the website and through the email listserv.

We look forward to working with you again this school year.



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WWW.LCDLC.org Updates

The LCDLC has added two new pages to the website to help teachers enhance their curriculum through the use of videoconferencing.

The IVDL Classified page will provide teachers with the opportunity to view upcoming program information offered by the LCDLC or its partners. For teachers away from their email accounts or teachers not on the email listserv, the LCDLC website will provide current information about program opportunities. Project opportunities will also be listed in the newsletter classified section which is updated every other month.

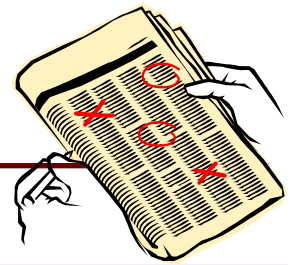
The Products and Services page will provide districts and teachers with some of the other services available as members of the LCDLC. Take a look; you might be surprised as to what you could be missing!

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LCDLC Project Classifieds

The LCDLC Project Classifieds lists our premier up and coming IVDL opportunities. Don't miss out!

** Visit our Calendar for specific times as events draw near!*

Wanted K-3 Teachers (No VC Experience Necessary)

Is your classroom looking for a guest storyteller? Do you know of a teacher who has never participated in a videoconference? Every other month starting in September, the Avon Local Schools Distance Learning Program will be offering an interactive story through a multipoint connection for grades K-3. Teachers are only asked to have the camera centered and to mute/unmute their microphones. The program is designed to IVDL novice or first timers.

Price: FREE to member schools
Date of Programs: September, November, January, March and May
Time: TBA
Contact: Paul Hieronymus, Avon Local Schools,
HieronymusP@Avon.k12.oh.us

Gifted Teacher Wanted for Collaboration with Virginia School (Gifted)

A middle school in Spotsylvania, Virginia is looking for middle school teachers interested in sharing lessons through videoconferencing. The point of contact from Thurison Middle School is a gifted teacher and has teachers in one of the following subject areas: English, Social Studies and Science. If interested please contact Paul Hieronymus or Dave Miller to set up communication between your schools.

Price: FREE
Date of Programs: TBA
Time: TBA
Contact: Paul Hieronymus, Avon Local Schools,
HieronymusP@Avon.k12.oh.us

Kent State DVC Stream Study (Science)

Kent State University still has openings for science classes to participate in their stream population study. Participating classrooms will post their findings to a central database shared with schools from around the state. Collaborations with other participating schools will be available for teachers with Kent faculty or members of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Teachers can contact Tom McNeil from Kent State, Paul Hieronymus at the LCDLC, or visit the program on the web at <http://www.dvcproject.org/dvcstream.htm>

Price: FREE to member schools
Date of Programs: September, November, January, March and May
Time: TBA
Contact: Tom McNeil, Kent State University, TMCNeal@Kent.edu

Virtual College Tours

Have your students participate in a virtual college tour. We'll be connecting to six colleges, one each hour. Representatives from each college will discuss their campus and curriculum highlights. Many will utilize short video clips, as well as PowerPoint presentations to introduce each universities focal points/ finest attributes of their university.

Participating universities will be updated on the LCDLC website.

Price: FREE to member schools
Date of Programs: November, February
Time: 8:00am–2:00 pm
Contact: Dave Miller, Dave.miller@leeca.org

TV Commercial Contest Participants Wanted (Video Production)

Classrooms with video editing capabilities are welcome to join the commercial contest hosted by the Columbiana County Distance Learning Consortium. Participating schools will be given a product in which they will create a commercial to be judged on a regional level at the LCDLC. Winning projects will advance to state level judging. Participating schools will connect with schools from around the state for a final videoconference in which the top commercials from each consortium will share their project and discuss the creation of their project.

Price: FREE to member schools
Date of Programs: TBA
Time: TBA
Contact: Katrina Dieringer, Columbiana County Distance Learning Consortium
Kdieringer@ccesc.org or Dave Miller, LCDLC
Dave.miller@leeca.org

Town Hall Youth Council IVDL Interviews/ High School Forum from WVIZ

The Town Hall Youth Council, part of the Lorain County ESC Gifted Program in partnership with Town Hall Speaker Series, will once again host the one-hour interactive programs with the following speakers:

Sep. 19 Lou Holz - "Game Plan for Success"
Oct. 10 Gina Abercrombie- Winstanley "US Saudi Relations"
Dec. 5 Norah O'Donnell - "The White House Today & Tomorrow"
Jan. 23 T.R. Reid - "United States of Europe & the End of American Supremacy"
Feb. 13 R.W. Apple, Jr. - "A View from Washington"

These student-run programs will be a mixture of lecture and interactive discussion including a question and answer session to close programming. See the LCDLC Calendar for more details. Please tune in!

Price: FREE to member schools
Time: 1:00–2:00 pm
Contact: John Ramicone WVIZ/PBS and NOTA Education Network, Ramicone@wviz.org
or Dave Miller, LCDLC Dave.miller@leeca.org

Looking for a Collaboration?

The STAR Database is an online resource for teachers to search for collaborative units through videoconferencing grades K-12. There are no fees to use the database and signing your class up is as easy as pie. Simply go the database online at <http://www.ccescdl.k12.oh.us/welcomesurvey.htm> and click the "become a member" link on the home page. Teachers can complete the signup page in minutes and immediately find a collaborative partner.

Results from member search inquiries provide users with contact information, descriptions of units or activities and audience grade level. Once you find the program in which you would like to participate, simply email that teacher and discuss the details.

Get Online and Start Collaborating TODAY!

Price: FREE to member schools
<http://www.ccescdl.k12.oh.us/welcomesurvey.htm>
Contact: Katrina Dieringer, Columbiana County Distance Learning Consortium
Kdieringer@ccesc.org

Learn about Careers with WVIZ

The WVIZ/PBS and NOTA network career series is back in 2005 with programs starting September 15th. LCDLC member schools are welcome to participate in the NOTA career series free of charge. To sign up for one of the programs, please contact John Ramicone (216-739-3940, jramicone@wviz.org), Richard Gore (216-739-3997, rgore@wviz.org) or the LCDLC staff prior to the registration deadlines.

TV Communications—September 15th 12:30-1:15 or 1:30-2:15
Law Enforcement—September 20th 9:00-9:45 or 10:00-10:45
Sports Management—September 29th 12:30-1:15 or 1:30-2:15

Price: FREE to member schools
Contact: John Ramicone WVIZ/PBS and NOTA Education Network,
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Content Provider Spotlight

Health Space Cleveland

Ohio is blessed with several great content providers and Heath Space Cleveland is no exception. Heath Space offers programs that enhance the curriculum of science, health and physical education teachers in grades K-12. Many lessons have pre and post activities that are available for download right from their website.

Health Space has added an additional video lab to their facility and posts all scheduled events to an online calendar. This makes scheduling videoconferences on demand a breeze.

Registration Information:

Phone : 216-231-6900

Website: www.healthspacecleveland.org



Programs:

K-2

Just Senseless

4-6

You Are What You Eat

Bug Off Bugs

Body Blueprints

Wonder of New Life

Growing Up and Liking It

Inner Factory

Body Works

7-12

Genetic Revolution

Sports Nutrition: You are What You Drink

Sports Nutrition: Fact, Fiction, Fitness

Sports Nutrition: Basic Training

Secret Agents

Disease Detectives

Caught in the Web

Steady Storms

Drugs 301

HIV/Aides

Picture Perfect

Details of the programs, lesson materials, pre and post activities are located on the Heath Space Distance Learning Website. All programs are scheduled to run for 40 minutes and are limited to class sizes of 35 or less.

Graduate Credit for Training

The LCDLC has teamed up with Ashland University to offer Graduate Credit to teachers participating in our Interactive Video Distance Learning Professional Development Series. Teachers who successfully complete our 2005/2006 existing in-service program will be eligible to purchase one credit hour. New teachers will have the opportunity to purchase two credit hours.



All graduate credit workshops require teachers to participate in a specified number of instructional hours as well as to

complete a project. Graduate credit registration will take place during the last in-service.

Specifics on the graduate credit requirements will be outlined at our first in-service session.

In addition to the opportunities through the new and existing teacher in-services, the LCDLC anticipates offering an after school series for one credit hour. Teachers new to videoconferencing who are

Teachers participating in the "New" or "Existing" Teacher In-Service Programs will have the opportunity to purchase Graduate Credit

unable to attend our school day in-services can participate in the after school series. Sessions will primarily take place at the members school site through the video systems. Class meeting dates and times will be determined in September. Teachers interested in the after school

IVDL graduate class can contact Dave Miller or Paul Hieronymus at the Lorain Education Service Center. An invitation will be posted to the LCDLC website on the Professional Development page and through our listserv.

In-service Schedules for 2005-2006

The LCDLC will continue providing professional development for our member schools for our existing teachers and teachers new to interactive video.

Requests for teachers have been sent to building administrators asking for them to send two new teachers to the LCDLC in-services offered every other month from October to April. Participating teachers will be partnered with a similar classroom and teacher for hands-on

training with the videoconferencing systems in their buildings. Additionally, LCDLC will provide teacher training in a video environment, search for projects and content aligned to the curriculum and state standards. New teachers meet at the Northern Ohio SERRC Center in Vermilion, 1230 Beechview Drive.

Teachers who have completed the new teacher in-services last year, or in years past, meet only three times per year for

project development, technical support and updates. The first meeting will be held at the French Creek Nature Center, 4530 Colorado Ave, Sheffield Village.

New Teacher In-service Dates:

October 13, December 8,
February 9, April 6th

Existing Teacher In-service Dates:

September 22, November 10, March 9.

Year-End Showcase:

May 16



Year In Review: 2004/2005

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We're on the Web!
www.LCDLC.org

The Lorain County Distance Learning Consortium (LCDLC) has been actively involved in videoconferencing to enhance the curriculum from kindergarten through twelfth grade for the past five years. The consortium has received over 1.5 million dollars to purchase equipment, and content, as well as provide professional development services to its members. There are currently twelve school districts, two educational partners, one higher education partner, and one content provider involved in the program. They have a total of thirty seven videoconferencing units inside the LCDLC.

Team Teaching and Partnerships

One of the LCDLC strongest programs is the team teaching and classroom partnerships. Each month the LCDLC staff meets with teachers from the districts to provide in-service training on the equipment, locate resources to enhance their lessons, and, demonstrate presentation strategies for a video environment. The 2004-2005 school year had the largest number of participating teachers to date.



Schools and Partners

Amherst
Avon
Avon Lake
Clearview
Elyria
Firelands
Keystone
Lorain

Lorain County Community College
Lorain County ESC
Lorain County JVS
Lorain County Metro Parks
North Ridgeville
Northern Ohio SERRC
Oberlin
Sheffield/Sheffield Lake

Team Teaching Partnerships

30 Minute Meals-Lisa Zane, Jill Dorrell
Adolescent Writers— Heather Pelphrey, Lisa Harrelson
Art Teachers—Terri Schreiber, Tiffany Georgiadis
Bountiful Basics-Cassie Hewitt, Preston Blakely
Building Brainheads-Mike Belpulsi, Ray Lowe
Career Connections—John Lengen, Lorain JVS Staff
Collaborations-Kathy Scothon, Maureen Freida
Collaborations- Ann Stambol, Donna Hassel
Connections-Amy McMillian, Robin Hartman
Connections-Karen Sprague, Lana Spence, Lise Scheuermann,
Dynamic Duo-Greg Rowe, Tracy Lodge
E-Pals-Amy Wilson, Sara Coles
Electronic Spanish-Janice Ventresco, Lise Scheuermann
Free to be A.P.-Bridget Elias, Leisa McClellan
KC Bookworms-Lauren Corcoran, Matt Krieger
Lattos- Chuck Latto, Janet Latto
Learning Pals-Angela Danielson, Sue White
Literaturegarten-Becky Gantz, Jennifer Bilczo
Planet Discovery- Kathy Ortiz, Mark Porter
Simple Life-Becky Beal, Herb Fiske
Talent Personified-Pat Price, Theresa Trase
Tycoons on the Lake-Jeff Keith, Pamela Geraci
TV and Me-Bridget Elias, Dan Pycraft
Video Production—Richard Garvelink, Rob Crossley
Writing Wizards-Maureen McKnight, Michele Crnobrnja

Usage and Statistics

