

6+1 Trait® Writing Training of Trait Presenters

This training of trainers' institute is for people wishing to conduct their own in-district 6+1 Trait® workshops. All participants must be trained in the 6+1 Trait® Writing Model of Instruction & Assessment, and its application in the classroom. (The 6+1 Trait® Introductory Institute and/or three years of teaching with the traits are prerequisites to this advanced course.)

Day One: Content

Activities include a review of the 6+1 Trait® Writing Model, and related research and instructional strategies.

Day Two: Connections

Day Two looks at writing in the teaching-learning cycle, and how the cycle relates to balanced literacy. Student goal setting, family support, and lesson planning will be explored.

Day Three: Communication

Day Three focuses on designing trait training workshops of varying duration and purpose. It will include time to begin planning your own presentation. Come with a workshop objective in mind to make this day more productive.

An Adult-Learning Strand will be modeled, discussed, and showcased throughout the three-day institute.

PARTICIPANTS WILL:

- Understand adult learning strategies and how to incorporate them into professional development workshops
- Examine research supporting the 6+1 Trait® Writing Model of Instruction & Assessment
- Review the writing traits and proven instructional strategies
- Discuss and explore curriculum mapping, integration of the traits, and lesson design
- Develop a plan to provide traits information to families and community members
- Design a 6+1 Trait Writing workshop for colleagues and schools within your district

FACILITATOR



Janice Littlebear, Senior Program Advisor in the Center for Research, Evaluation, and Assessment at Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory, provides training in the 6+1 Trait® Writing Model of Instruction & Assessment. Jan involves everyone in gaining the content through humor, interactive strategies, and hands-on activities. She also assists with research in the teaching and assessment of writing. Jan relies upon research-supported best practices, and builds on 18 years of teaching elementary and secondary students using the 6+1 Trait® model, tutoring students, and mentoring teachers. Jan has an M.S. in education with a focus on language and literacy, as well as a National Board Certification in Early Adolescence English & Language Arts.



Location /Schedule: The Training of Trait Presenters Institute will be held at the Sheraton Gunter Hotel, San Antonio: 205 E. Houston Street, San Antonio, Texas 78205

Tuesday, December 2–Thursday, December 4, 2008. Institute hours are 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Breakfast begins at 7:45 a.m. and lunch is provided from noon to 1 p.m. each day.

Lodging: Located a half block from the acclaimed San Antonio Riverwalk, the Sheraton Gunter Hotel (www.gunterhotel.com) has a block of rooms for \$139 a night plus tax for a standard or double room. The rate does not include parking. When calling the hotel at (210) 227-3241, refer to the NWREL Traits block to secure the group rate.

REGISTRATION

The size of this institute is limited so early registration is strongly encouraged. Please call first to confirm before making any nonrefundable travel reservations. To register, return this registration form (PDF, one form per person) along with a check or purchase order payable to “NWREL.” Send to: **NWREL Finance Office (2481-001)**

101 SW Main Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97204-3213

You may also phone or fax your registration to Mark Workman: Phone: (503) 275-9572 Fax: (503) 275-0450

Registration forms received without a purchase order number, Visa, MasterCard, or enclosed check will not reserve your spot at the institute. Should you need to cancel your registration, refunds (minus a \$75 processing fee) are available with written notification at least seven working days prior to the institute.

Fees: On or before October 17, 2008: **\$605 per person** After October 17, 2008: **\$645 per person**

Fee includes all materials, supplies, breakfast, and lunch.

(Prerequisite: 6+1 Trait® Writing introductory training and/or trait classroom teaching experience is required. If you think you meet this prerequisite in a different way, please contact Jan Littlebear, littlej@nwrel.org, for prior approval.)

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