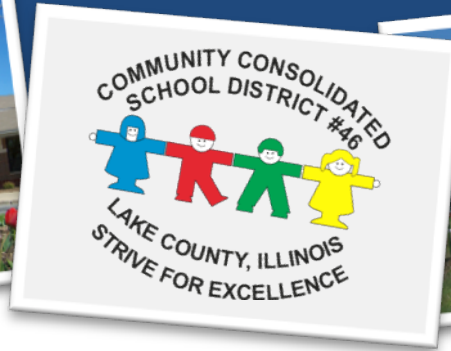


*"Discovering a Community of Learning – Preparing Our Students for the Future"*



# Spring Regional Conference 2011

Presented by Community Consolidated School District 46  
& Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence



## Join us...

April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011 for two days of professional development that focus on improving student achievement through technology integration, data driven instruction, and successful implementation of RtI and PBIS. See research based effective teaching strategies first hand as you tour multiple buildings of kindergarten through eighth grade students. This conference is perfect for teachers, principals, superintendents and/or college students thinking about a career in education.

Connect with high quality schools and districts by participating in this national institute.

### Conference Highlights:

Your conference experience is designed to meld three opportunities into one; information from experts from around the country, hands on learning experiences in our schools, and the opportunity to dialogue and connect with educators.

Ann Marie Taylor, South Carolina Teacher of the Year 2008, will get you thinking about best practices. Ann Marie is a part of S.A.M. (Student Achievement Matters) Consulting Group, Inc. S.A.M.'s primary goal is to increase student achievement while meeting the needs of all learners and engaging all members of the community. Supporting teachers and districts by emphasizing data driven decision making and well researched instructional strategies to meet students' needs is Ann Marie's goal as she works with the audience.

After the presentation, you'll have a chance to see Blue Ribbon Excellence in action. You'll visit our schools and observe lessons designed by our teachers. As you observe these lessons you'll see how we've incorporated the Nine Categories of Effective Schools. After each site visit, you'll meet and collaborate with the teachers and other professionals to discuss your observations.

Following the school site visits, you will participate in concurrent sessions designed to give you the opportunity to gather more in depth information on topics that are of specific interest to you. One area you may wish to explore is RTI, PBIS or Data Driven Instruction.

### REGISTER TODAY!

Visit the website [www.blueribbonschools.com](http://www.blueribbonschools.com) to register for this inspiring conference.

\$119 per person fee includes two-day participation at this national conference. Meals are included.

**Registration deadline:**  
**April 8, 2011**

Lodging:  
1 King Bed \$74 per night or  
2 Queen Beds \$68 per night

Comfort Suites  
1775 E. Belvidere Road  
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*Mention "CCSD 46 Blue Ribbon Schools Room Block" by March 27, 2011 for discounted rate.*



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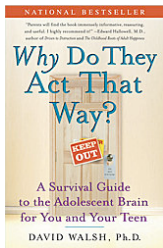
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Register by April 8 and secure lodging rate by March 27

## Keynote Speakers:

**Dr. David Walsh, Ph.D.**, has emerged as one of the world's leading authorities on children, teens, parenting family life, and the impact of technology on children's health and development. As a licensed psychologist, he has authored nine books including national bestseller *Why Do They Act That Way?* He is a frequent guest on radio and television, including *NBC's Today Show*, *Good Morning America*, *The CBS Early Show*, *Dateline NBC*, and *ABC's 20/20*.



Dr. Walsh is able to blend humor, warmth, scientific substance and practical advice for today's educators.

**Ann Marie Taylor**, 2008 South Carolina Teacher of the Year. Ann Marie captivates her audience through the use of personal classroom stories, pictures, and even a classroom game show to highlight best practices in education.

## Break-out Sessions:

- Hands on Technology Presentations
- Data Driven Instruction
- Research Based Effective Teaching Strategies
- Differentiation Through RtI/PBIS
- School Site Visits
- Conference Exhibit Hall

## RtI, PBIS and Data Driven Instruction



If you're looking for additional ways to make the expectations of RtI and PBIS work in your schools, there are sessions designed with those specific ideas in mind.

Get a first-hand look at our Problem Solving Process and learn how we use common assessments to guide intervention decisions and differentiate instruction.

Sessions include:

- Descartes Unscripted
- PBIS-An Implementation Journey
- Navigating our GPS down RtI Road
- Creating a Community of Readers
- Getting Students to "Bloom" into Thinkers
- Social Action Projects
- Leveled and Layered Activities to Meet All Students' Needs
- Physical Education Collaboration: Teambuilding Activities
- Motivation in a Differentiated Middle School Classroom
- Differentiating Reading Levels and Flexible Grouping in a Co-Taught Classroom
- Playground Pals
- How to Make Co-Teaching Work
- Differentiation for the Advanced Learners
- Math Circles – A Differentiated Approach for Teaching Math
- And more!

