



Best Practices Series

Focus on Math: Fall 2008 Workshops

These workshops may be used for SB472 math follow-up.

Cost: \$30 each workshop, includes materials & light dinner or snacks.

Location: Yolo County Office of Education, 1280 Santa Anita Court, Woodland, CA

To register online, go to <http://www.ycoe.org/profdev/> and click on "Best Practices". For more information, contact Kim Parker, 530-668-3757, Kim.Parker@ycoe.org

GEMS: Great Explorations in Math and Science

GEMS Guides, developed at UC Berkeley's Lawrence Hall of Science, provide clear step-by-step instructions for games and activities to engage students in learning standards-based principles and concepts. In these hands-on, interactive workshops teachers will have an opportunity to test out the activities and learn how to best adapt to their grade level. Each participant will receive an individual copy of the GEMS Teacher Guide.

Saturday, October 4, 2008
9:00 am - noon

GEMS: Math Around the World
Grades 4-8

Journey through the world of mathematics! Games and diversions from across the globe and throughout time have relied on numbers, geometry, probability, and logic. Each game can be presented as a two- or three-session activity or at a stand-alone learning station. Maps and historical connections provide a social studies element.



Saturday, November 1, 2008
9:00 am - noon

GEMS: Build It! Festival
Grades K-6

Weaving mathematics concepts into engaging, hands-on construction activities, this GEMS festival guide includes a wide assortment of classroom learning-station activities that emphasize construction, geometric challenges, and spatial visualization. Activities connect to the real world and potential careers.



Tuesday, November 18
4:00 - 7:30 pm

Make It & Take It for the Math Classroom
Grades K-6

Foldables, manipulatives and hands-on resources for your math classroom - we will make it and you can take it back to use with your students. We will also explore where to find inexpensive resources and supplies including those found on the internet.

