PBS TeacherLine

Anywhere, Anytime Learning for teachers
Mission Statement and Objective

- **MISSION STATEMENT**... To increase and facilitate knowledge using technology for teachers and improve student learning in the classroom.

- **Our Objective**... To make available to educators, user-friendly professional development online courses that integrate technology in a collegial atmosphere using PBS TeacherLine's asynchronous learning system.
WHAT ABOUT IT?

Relevant Professional Development for teachers online in core requirements of

- Mathematics
- Reading and Language Arts
- Science (Includes Teachers’ Domain)
- Technology in the classroom

And the courses include:

- Instructional Strategies and are technology-based
- National standards-NCTM, ISTE, IRC

*PBS TeacherLine courses were developed with funding from the US DOE “Ready to Teach” Grant*

TEACHERLINE OFFERS ANYWHERE, ANYTIME, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ONLINE FOR TEACHERS.
ONLINE LEARNING

- Professional Development for teachers – in-service and graduate level
- Already produced Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Science and Technology (80 plus courses)
- Online courses developed in alignment with the “NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND” Act
BENEFITS to Educators

- Compatibility with Florida’s in-service requirements for re-certification
- PBS on-going Research Study for USDOE
- PBS National Facilitators Available
- Seamless Registration Process
- Easy-to-use Platform - D2L
- Competitive Pricing
- Graduate credit available
PBS Partnership

- Florida Digital Educator (FDE) Program supports integration of technology across the K-12 curricula through collaborative experiences with new technologies and digital tools. The program will help build a common vocabulary across the state of Florida among educators regarding technology integration and digital tools. Included in the program model is an action research and mentoring aspect to increase data-driven research from the classroom and educator perspective.

- The FDE program is a Florida Department of Education initiative administered by the Florida Center for Instructional Technology (FCIT). The Florida Digital Educator program was developed based on professional development research and instructional technology integration research. The program was piloted in 2005 and was field-tested in 2006. Ongoing research is used to examine and improve the Florida Digital Educator model.
Graduate Credit Partners

We develop our offerings through collaborations with organizations such as the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE), the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM), a National Advisory Board and PBS member stations.
WHAT EDUCATORS SAY...

From Administrators

PBS TeacherLine is particularly useful for teachers in improving their mathematics content knowledge and pedagogy. The resources and reference materials are easily accessible by teachers when needed. It is a well designed program that makes math fun and interesting. Through its visual and content presentation math becomes easier to understand. It integrates science and society into mathematics in an amicable way. I find it particularly easy to incorporate the strategies and materials for classroom use. PBS TeacherLine creates an ideal setting for teacher to do more in-depth studies in mathematics in a relaxing atmosphere.

Dr. Hui Fang Huang “Angie” Su
Program Professor of Innovative Teaching in Mathematics Professor of Mathematics Education, Nova Southeastern University Fischler School of Education and Human Services

The availability of TeacherLine Science courses will provide Miami-Dade County Public Schools teachers with the rigorous science content they would need to become highly qualified in their field. Moreover, this would in turn keep our Division and our teachers in compliance with the highly qualified teacher criteria set forth in No Child Left Behind.…. 

Cyd Heyliger-Browne, Administrative Director, Office of Curriculum and Instruction (Science)
More…..

From Participants:
"TeacherLine was interesting and informative. I really learned a lot, and I am looking forward to going back to school and trying what I learned with my students." Amy Weinberg – Miami Dade Schools

"I thoroughly enjoyed my on-line experience with PBS Teacher Line. The facilitators were first-rate, providing excellent guidance and direction throughout the learning experience. Additionally, the research links were great and I plan to use them throughout the school year. I would recommend this format to any educator seeking an alternative method for taking education courses. I plan to take more courses using PBS TeacherLine.” – Allan Mendolia, Miami Dade Schools

From Facilitators:
"Designed specifically for teachers, TeacherLine is a fertile environment that nurtures collaboration and encourages learning. The "secret formula" to TeacherLine's success is research-based courses supplemented by thought-provoking questions--all in a safe learning environment--something that may not be easily duplicated in a traditional classroom." – Sandy Chase, PBS TeacherLine Facilitator

"My students have been from every area of education, teaching assistants, private and public schools teachers, various curriculum areas and grade levels. ... It was nice to see and pre-k teacher offering advice to a middle school science teacher on websites to generate student interest. The science teacher in turn becoming so happy--a real "ahh" moment." – Rebecca Shine, PBS TeacherLine Facilitator
More interest in content, less in technology

Learning expectations met or exceeded (95%)

Strategies and content already incorporated in class (67%)

86% likely or very likely to take another course
Enrollment and Completion 2005-06

- 8,154 course enrollments
- 6,469 individual users
- 30% national, 70% local
- No change in user profile
- 77% completion rate (up 8 points)
- Female completion rate higher
- Local rate higher than national
ABOUT PBS TEACHERLINE

go to http://pbs.org/teacherline

- PBS TeacherLine is the premier resource offering professional development courses online to individual PreK-12 teachers and districts.
- As a program funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education, PBS TeacherLine is committed to helping educators acquire the skills they need to become—and stay—the highly qualified teachers needed to prepare students for a successful future. And, as a division of PBS, with its history of providing outstanding educational resources, our mission is not only to inform but to inspire.
- PBS TeacherLine courses are developed in collaboration with the following leading national educational organizations, so every course is standards-based:
  - International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE)
  - National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM)
  - The Concord Consortium
- And through partnerships with PBS member stations, we offer additional courses aligned with state standards.
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