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1. RT PROGRAM NEWS

It's great to see the discussions and comments rolling along on **WISE Assignment #1!** If you haven't logged on yet onto WISE, please don't save it for the last minute since you need to initiate 1 discussion and comment on 2 of your fellow RTs. Let Mel know if you are having any issues in accessing and navigating the "2008 RT Assignments" WISE project link. This extended deadline is already around the corner...please complete all of Assignment #1 activities no later than this Monday, May 19. Save your "beads" poster for the Science Teaching Forum!

You should've just received your bulky **WISE Assignment #2** in the mail with our gifts of two books! Also, please pay attention to the **Stipend Payment Voucher Forms** and instructions. You will use these as your "time sheets" of your actual weeks in your Research Host's laboratory. If your research stipend payment is being disbursed by the APS Education office (rather than directly by your Research Host institution), the forms need to be signed by you and your Research Host at the completion of a 3-week period, then faxed or scanned/emailed back to the APS Education Office (attention: Brooke Bruthers, our Office Manager). This form is what we then submit to our Business Office to process your stipend check.

QUICK LINKS

2008 RT website: <http://www.the-aps.org/education/2008rts/index.shtml>

Assignments for WISE, the Web-based Inquiry Science Environment: <http://wise.berkeley.edu/>

2. DEADLINES

- **Monday, May 19:** Assignment #1
- Monday, June 9: Assignment #2
- Monday, June 16: Travel Plans for the Science Teaching Forum (July 21-27). Please, DO NOT make any arrangements yet. More detailed information on making travel arrangements will be coming shortly!

3. ALUMNI RT CORNER

A reflection on assignments from Kris Clements (2000 Frontiers): *"Enjoy the assignments! They made me think about my teaching more than I had done in years. I still go back and read them to monitor my teaching and where I wish to go with it."*

4. RESOURCES....*On Equity*

- Women and Girls in Science

<http://www.the-aps.org/education/k-12misc/k-12link.htm#womengirls>

From the APS K-12 Science Education web links of resources.

- NSTA Position Statement on Gender Equity

<http://www.nsta.org/about/positions/genderequity.aspx>

- Critical Issue: Ensuring Equity and Excellence in Science

<http://www.ncrel.org/sdrs/areas/issues/content/contareas/science/sc200.htm>

From the North Central Regional Educational Laboratory.

- I Was Wondering...A Curious Look at Women's Adventures in Science

<http://www.iwaswondering.org/>

A project of the National Academy of Sciences intended to showcase the accomplishments of contemporary women in science and to highlight for young people the varied and intriguing careers of some of today's most prominent scientists.

- NSTA Position Statement on Multicultural Science Education

<http://www.nsta.org/about/positions/multicultural.aspx>

- Diversity: Some Myths, and the Realities

<http://www.the-scientist.com/2006/11/01/s5/1/>

From *The Scientist - Magazine of the Life Sciences* with additional links to issues of diversity in the life sciences.

-The Faces of Science: African Americans in the Sciences

<https://webfiles.uci.edu/mcbrown/display/faces.html>

A collection of profiles of from Mitchell Brown, a research librarian at the University of California, Irvine.

- Inclusion in Science Education for Students with Disabilities

<http://www.as.wvu.edu/~scidis/sitemap.html>

A West Virginia University resource website developed by Dr. Edward Keller, Jr., and funded in part by the West Virginia Department of Education and the National Science Foundation. The website has great insights for teaching strategies for students with physical or learning disabilities or impairments. (Website identified by a 2006 Frontiers RT, Kathryn Madren, Indianapolis, IN).

5. OPPORTUNITIES

...For Teachers

- NABT 2008 Professional Development Conference, Oct 15-18, 2008, Memphis, TN

Early-Bird Registration, Deadline: May 31: <http://www.nabt2008.org/>

6. LISTSERV INFORMATION

- We hope you will use the 2008 RT listserv to share resources and ideas and to ask questions of your fellow RTs. Please take a minute to review the information about how this listserv works at the 2008 RT website: <http://www.the-aps.org/education/2008rts/listserv.shtml>. Also listed on this page are your fellow RTs' email addresses, as well as each of these APS RT News in pdf form.

As always, feel free to directly contact Mel (mlimson@the-aps.org) in the APS Education Office with questions, suggestions or concerns.

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