

This is a 2008 RT listserv message. Remember, if you want to respond to an individual, do not use the "Reply" button. Instead, use the "Forward" button and cut-and-paste the individual's email address in the "To" field.

=====
2008 RT NEWS 28 – November 14, 2008
=====

1. Deadlines
2. RT Program News
3. Resources
4. Opportunities
5. Listserv Info

1. DEADLINES

- **Monday, November 24:** WISE Assignment #4: Field Testing/Peer Review Results
- **Monday, December 1:** Final version of Lesson/Activity
- **Wednesday, December 31:** WISE Assignment #5: Readings and Reflection; Spend Mini-Grant

2. RT PROGRAM NEWS

a. Applications are now available for the 2009 Frontiers in Physiology Fellowship Program!
Hurry. Spread the word. Download and share the one-page recruitment flier (pdf), "Brief 2009 Fellowship Overview." Visit the "News and Events" box on the Frontiers homepage: <http://www.frontiersinphys.org/>

b. Facebook and friend me: "Physiology Understanding" and check out the community of PhUn Week supporters and volunteers! Would you participate in a Facebook Frontiers 2008 RT group? Let Mel know!

c. Quick links to the 2008 RT Webpages:

Homepage link: <http://www.the-aps.org/education/2008rts/index.shtml>
Assignments: <http://www.the-aps.org/education/2008rts/assignment.shtml>

3. RESOURCES

...On Technology

- What's a Wiki? Wikis in Plain English

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-dnLOOTdmlY>

A 4-minute, clear description using paper cut-outs for a simple explanation from the Common Craft Show on YouTube.

- Technology Inspiration for Educators

<http://www.eschoolnews.com/emails/esn/TechnologyInspiration.htm>

Resources/reports from eSchool News, topics ranging from desktop management, keeping online learning secure, and measuring 21st-century skills.

- Can Technology Drive Change in Professional Development?

<http://www.thejournal.com/articles/23551>

(from *THE Journal*) Teacher training needs to shift away from one-shot workshops and move toward a model of ongoing, sustainable professional development, according to a new report from the State Educational Technology Directors Association (SETDA) released last week.

- Virtual Learning Helps Students Cross the Finish Line...and Win!

<http://www.eschoolnews.com/emails/eSN/1015ResourceCenter.htm>

(from *eSchool News*) To help you identify ways to successfully reduce drop-out rates and help students achieve success through graduation, the editors of *eSchool News* have put together a set of resources

so your school staff can successfully address this serious national problem. Regardless of the drop-out statistics in your district, virtual learning opportunities can make sure every student has an opportunity to be a winner!

4. OPPORTUNITIES

- The Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship, Deadline: Jan. 13, 2009

<http://www.trianglecoalition.org/ein.htm>

The Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship is a paid fellowship for K-12 math, science, and technology teachers. Einstein Fellows spend a school year in Washington, DC serving in a federal agency or on Capitol Hill. To be considered for an Einstein Fellowship for the 2009-2010 school year, apply and submit three letters of recommendation online by January 13, 2009.

- Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching

<http://www.paemst.org/controllers/home.cfc?method=view>

The Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST) is the highest recognition that a kindergarten through 12th-grade mathematics or science teacher may receive for outstanding teaching in the United States. This program authorizes the President to bestow up to 108 awards each year. The National Science Foundation administers PAEMST on behalf of The White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. The online application system will open for 2009 applications, for secondary teachers (grades 7-12), on or around Nov. 1, 2008.

5. 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.