

Summer 2009

Professional Development Institutes

The Center for Creative Learning will offer two professional development Institutes in Sarasota in July, 2009. These programs will focus on new developments and directions in the areas of talent development and Creative Problem Solving (CPS). The programs will be offered successively, enabling participants to attend either or both programs with a single trip.

Institute on Talent Development: The Levels of Service Approach (July 8-10, 2009)

This program will provide an in-depth presentation of the Levels of Service (LoS) approach to talent development. As a participant in the program, you will learn:

- The implications of contemporary views of talent, and talent development for educational programming.
- The four Levels of Service and how to identify practical activities for each level.
- A systematic planning model for implementing the LoS approach (when designing new programs or updating existing G/T programs).
- Strategies, tools, and resources for gaining involvement and support at the school, district, or state levels.
- Specific strategies, tools, and resources to link LoS programming with other school priorities and initiatives.
- Tools and resources for professional development, parent and community awareness, and effective evaluation.

You will receive a copy of: our textbook, *Enhancing and Expanding Gifted Programs: The Levels of Service Approach*; our *Talent Development Handbook: The Levels of Service Approach* (with an accompanying CD of resources); and selected assessment and evaluation resources. You will also receive follow-up coaching and support for LoS implementation (two phone or email consultations with an Institute staff member for each participant). The Institute will provide you with the information, skills, tools, and resources you need to implement the LoS approach in a school, a school district, or on a regional or statewide basis.

This institute will be valuable for teams from schools or school districts who are designing new programming for talent development or who are revising or redesigning existing programs. The program will guide you in planning and implementing a constructive, inclusive, and contemporary approach for “blending” talent development with your total school program.

The Institute is open to individual participants. However, we strongly recommend that you enroll a team of 3-5 people from your organization (e.g., a talent development planning team or task force, or a program management team). A team, including participants with both administrative and instructional responsibilities, often provides a broad base for powerful, effective implementation and follow-up when you return home.

This program will begin at **9:00 AM. on Wednesday, July 8**, and end at **Noon on Friday, July 10**.

Institute on Creative Problem Solving (CPS) in Education (July 13-15, 2009)

The current Creative Problem Solving framework—CPS Version 6.1™— is a powerful but practical set of tools and resources to help individuals and groups use creative and critical thinking, solve problems, and manage change.

The CPS framework builds on more than five decades of research, development, and practical applications. CPS has been applied successfully in businesses, schools, churches, and other organizations worldwide. People of all ages can learn and apply CPS effectively. In educational settings, CPS Version 6.1™ can be applied in many important ways, including:

- To guide planning for student success and positive gains in achievement.
- To support leadership and teamwork in projects (for both adults and students).
- To enhance curriculum development and empower individuals and teams to deal with real-life problems and challenges.
- To expand and enhance life skills and career planning and counseling activities.
- To provide tools that link creative and critical thinking with academic content standards.
- To support and empower school advisory teams, site-based management, and school improvement or strategic planning efforts.
- To guide teams or groups in planning new programs or revising existing programs in any area.

This Institute will provide you with training and hands-on practice on *Understanding the Challenge, Generating Ideas, Preparing for Action, and Planning Your Approach*— with a variety of specific tools for generating options, focusing your thinking, and planning for successful implementation of new ideas. You will also receive follow-up coaching and support for CPS implementation (two phone or email consultations with an Institute staff member for each participant).

You will return home with a wide variety of skills and tools that you can use on your own, when you are working with students of all ages in a classroom or training setting, or when you are working with other adults to solve problems, plan new projects or programs, or manage change. You will receive an extensive set of supporting materials and handouts, books, and CD-based reproducible resources, to enable you to incorporate CPS in any educational setting. You will also receive an assessment of your personal problem solving style preferences.

Individual participants are welcome, but we also encourage teams to attend from the same school or school district. Team participation helps to build a foundation for follow-up implementation.

The Institute will begin at **9:00 AM. on Monday, July 13**, and close at **Noon. on Wednesday, July 15**.

Registration Information

The number of places is limited in both Institutes, so we recommend early registration. Late enrollments will be accepted subject to space availability. To register, complete the form on the following page and return it with payment to:

Center for Creative Learning

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Sarasota, FL 34235 USA

Phone: 941.342.9928

Fax: 941.342.0064

info@creativelearning.com

We accept school or state purchase orders, checks, MasterCard, VISA, and American Express. All fees are stated in U. S. Funds, and payments must be made in U. S. Dollars. Prepayment is required. The registration fee for either Institute includes: program fees, course textbooks and handout materials, three continental breakfasts, refreshments at daily breaks, two luncheons, and follow-up with the Institute Staff (two phone or email consultations per participant). The registration fees for these Institutes are:

Institute	Individual Rate	<i>Group Rates</i>	
		Team of 2-3 (per person)	Team of 4+ (per person)
Talent Development July 8-10	\$550.00	\$525.00	\$500.00
CPS July 13-15	\$550.00	\$525.00	\$500.00
Combined (same participants, attending both Institutes)	\$950.00	\$900.00	\$850.00

Cancellation Policy. If a registered participant is unable to attend a program, you may substitute another person for the same program. We do request as much advance notice as possible for any substitutions. If any participant must cancel his/her registration, and we receive and approve notification of the cancellation at least one week prior to the first day of the program, we will issue a full refund. If we receive the written notification less than one week, but at least two business days before the first day of the program, there will be a \$50.00 processing fee. For cancellations received with less than two business days' advance notice, no cash refunds will be given, but you will receive full credit towards enrollment in any future CCL program within 12 months after the cancellation. Cancellations without notice (i.e., "no shows") will not receive any refund or credit.

Location and Site Information. The Institutes will be held at a hotel in Sarasota. We will arrange for special room rates for Institute participants; you will receive specific information with your registration confirmation packet. Sarasota is located on the Gulf of Mexico (on the west coast of Florida), about 60 miles south of Tampa and approximately two hours southwest of Orlando.

Registration Form

To: Center for Creative Learning, 4921 Ringwood Meadow, Sarasota, FL 34235, USA
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Please register the following participant(s) for the program(s) indicated below:

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