

Oklahoma Writing Project

August 2011

OWP: A Year in Review & More Stakeholders Meeting

Congratulations
OWP Invitational Summer Institute
Fellows



Class of 2011: Amy Cantrell, Central Intermediate Wagoner; Lezlie Christian, Norman North High School; Maureen DuRant, Lawton High School; Cynthia Gillion, Millwood Public Schools; Lindsay Hodges, Truman Elementary Norman; Alyssa Kerr, Lake Park Elementary, Putnam City; Matt Krimmer, Dickson Middle School; Chelsea Love, Lake Park Elementary, Putnam City; Heather Pogue, Monroe Elementary, Norman; Lori Sharp, OU; Allison Sherman, Truman Elementary, Norman; Jennifer Stepp, OU; Kimberly J. Stormer, Tomlinson Middle School, Lawton; Beth White, Longfellow Middle School, Norman

	2008	2009	2010	2011
Educators	17	14	14	14
Participants	32	12	28	27
Program Hours	130	130	130	130
Contact Hours	1950	1820	1820	1820
	5 Coaches	5 Coaches	5 Coaches	5 Coaches
	2 Co-Directors	2 Co-Directors	2 Co-Directors	2 Co-Directors

Co Directors:

Jason Stephenson
Deer Creek High School

Priscilla Griffith
OU

Coaches:

Charlotte Fieker
Lake Park Elementary

Darcy Pippins
Norman High School

Michelle Seybolt
Eisenhower Elementary

Melanie Vincent
All Saints Catholic School

Tony Pennington
Bishop McGuinness High School

Theme:
OWP Takes You Places!

Writing Marathon:
Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art

Texts:
Because Writing Matters
Writing Towards Home
Excerpts from:
Breakthroughs
The Book Whisperer
Writing for Social Change

Changes for this year:

- OWP SI was in July
- Application is online
- Transcripts will be required after participants have been accepted not with application.

Class size was 14 but we had over 25 applicants (more applicants than the past three years).

New Teacher Initiative:

New Teacher Congratulatory Dinner
April 12, 2011
Oklahoma Memorial Union

OWP publicizes and hosts this event. 14 entry year teachers were invited by OWP TC's to attend. OWP provides dinner, a glimpse into OWP and congratulatory recognition. From this event, we had 6 teachers apply for 2011SI.



***No Cost: If you bring a friend and register by August 20, 2011**

**“Write to Learn”
Back-to-School Conference**

**Saturday
August 27, 2011**

**8:15 Registration
8:30 am-12:50 pm**

**Deer Creek High School
6101 NW 206th
Edmond, OK 73012**

Rural Sites Network: Rural Outreach



Teaching Teachers
All Over Oklahoma

2011 Writing Institute:

Providing Teaching
Strategies for English
Language Learners

June 4, 2011

July 6-8, 2011

Canadian Valley Technology Center
Chickasha

Co-Directors:

Stephanie White OSUWP

Karin Perry OWP

Participants:

Elk City, Hydro-Eakly, Anadarko,
Cordell, Lawton, Newcastle.

Ten participants from across rural Southwestern Oklahoma met together for OUWP's first Rural Sites Mini Institute in July. Topics ranged from English Language Learners to utilizing technology to meet the needs of a new generation of students. Participants experienced a variety of quickwrite activities as well as the opportunity to play a part in a writer's group. Each teacher worked through the writing process, producing a final draft after careful consultation with other members of the writing group.



Titles of Texts Received:

Introducing Second Language Acquisition
Making Content Comprehensible for English
Learners: The SIOP Model
Because Writing Matters
Mexican Whiteboy

What: Rural Drive-In

When: January 17, 2011

Where: Cordell Public Schools

Who: 64 Rural Teachers

TCs Involved: Michelle Seybolt,
Jason Stephenson, Darcy Pippins,
Audra Plummer

At the "Let's Get Write To It!" Rural Drive-In, participants learned about reading and writing connections, how to prepare for state assessments and how to strengthen writing with secondary students. **Teachers from Cordell, Leedey, Arapaho-Butler; Mulhall-Orlando, Weatherford, Burns Flat-Dill City, Marlow and Lexington attended.** Teachers from Cordell participated in the Rural Mini-Institute in Chickasha.

Possible Site for
Rural Drive In
January 2012:
Dickson Public
Schools

2010-2011 OWP Conferences

August 27, 2010 Back to School Drive In Conference

Cross Timbers Elementary, Tecumseh
49 Teachers Registered—Oklahoma, Washita, Seminole,
Adair, Pott, Tulsa, Garvin,
14 New OWP Teacher Consultants presenting

September 9, 2010 It Melts in Your Mouth Elementary Conference

Sam Noble Museum of Natural History Norman
54 Students; 10 Teachers; 3 TC's presenting

November 3, 2010 Write to Win Secondary Conference

Oklahoma City University, Meinder's School of Business
133 Students; 23 Teachers; 6 OWP TC's presenting

January 8, 2011 Tech Saturday: Smartboards=Smart Teaching

McKinley Elementary, Norman
11 Teachers—Putnam City, Norman, Mulhall-Orlando, Moore, OKC
Jamie Johnson Tech Liason Presented

January 17, 2011 Let's Get Write to It Rural Drive In Conference

Cordell Elementary Cordell
36 Elementary Teachers—Cordell, Madill, Burns Flat-Dill City,
Marlow, Lexington
19 Secondary Teachers—Cordell, Arapaho-Bulter, Burns Flat, Weatherford
4 OWP TC's presenting

2011 Write to Win Writing Contest

Over 200 Entries
31 Award Winners; 2 Janis Cramer Medal Winners for Personal Narrative

Inservice Presentations:

Muskogee Public Schools	15 OWP TC's Presenting
Blackwell Public Schools	53 hours of Inservice
Moore Public Schools	
Noble Public Schools	
Norman Public Schools	

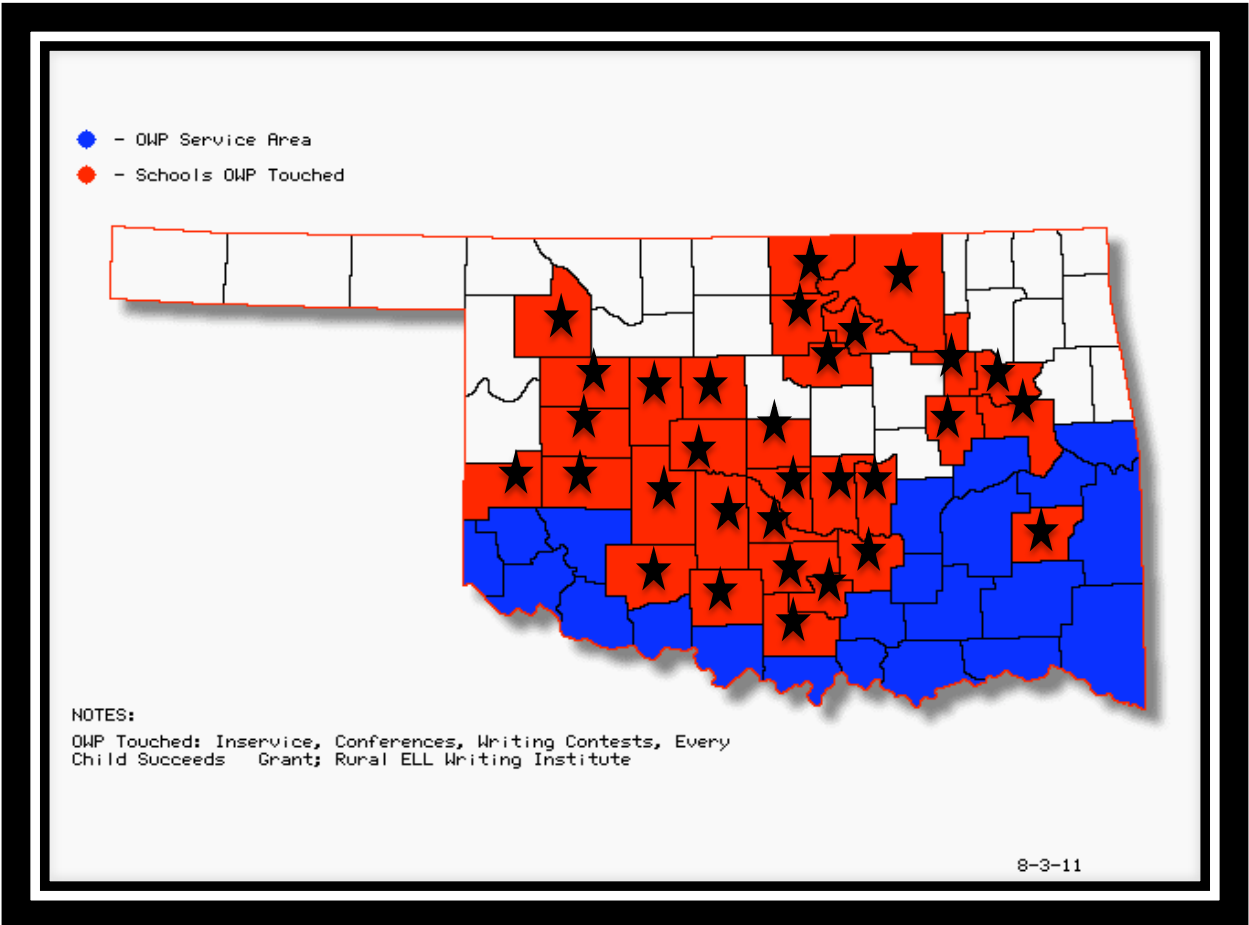
Oklahoma Bar Association CIVITAS Grant:

4 OWP TC's working to develop law related education writing lessons. Lessons will be shared with Oklahoma Teachers in June as well as teachers in Slovakia. OWP TC's classrooms participated in field testing lessons.

March 30, 2011 Spring Celebration of Writing for Secondary Students & Teachers

Oklahoma City University, Meinder's School of Business
53 Students; 11 Teachers; 3 OWP TC's presenting

Where Has OWP Been this Year?



Continuity Coming Up: 2011-2012

Get Your Writing Fix on Route 66

Family Writing Marathon along Route 66

TC Chairperson: Michelle Seybolt

Tentative Schedule: November

Plates and Pals

Dining at your favorite restaurant with wonderful teacher friends

TC Committee: Shelly Durham, Alicia Utley, Melanie Vincent

Tentative Schedule: October and February

Holiday Celebration

Gather with OWP friends to welcome in the holiday session

TC Committee: Charlotte Fieker, Kelli Chastain, Donna McMullen

Tentative Schedule: December

Spring Fling

Come get refreshed with OWP Friends

TC Chairperson: Lori Sharp

Tentative Schedule: April

Other Ideas: