



Iditarod's 2009 Winter Conference for Educators

Anchorage, Alaska: March 2- 6

Millennium Alaskan Hotel



- **March 2: Pre Conference Social: Wells Fargo Bank: 301 West Northern Lights: 7:00 – 8:30 PM**

Conference Event	Date and Location	Scheduled Event	
Session 1	Tuesday, March 3 Millennium Alaskan Hotel 3rd Floor Anchorage, AK	7:30 – 8:00 A.M	Registration and Pre-Conference Activity and Introductions: Meet and Greet!
		8:00 – 8:15	Introductions and Welcome Opening Activity: Adventure Learning! Team Building
		8:15- 9:00	Target Iditarod Teacher on the Trail™: The Teaching Adventure of a Life Time <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program Highlights and connecting to NCLB Criteria • Meet 2009 Target® Teacher on the Trail™ Cathy Walters • Meet the 2010 Finalists and Introductions of Staff/Participants • Discover how to connect your classroom with this adventure!
		9:00 -11:45	Presentations: Finalist Presentation (9:00 – 9:45) Finalist Presentation (10:00- 10:45) Finalist Presentation (11:00- 11:45)
		12:00- 1:00	Lunch on your own (12:00)
		1:00- 2:00	Iditarod Musher and Classroom Teacher Trent Herbst How does Trent integrate the race into his teaching? What do his students do during the race?
		2:15- 2:30	Mini Session: Adventure Learning: What is it? How do you get on the Trail for this project?
		3:00	Choose from the following: Extension Session One: Visit the kennel, art gallery, and Home of Jon and Jona Van Zyle. Jon is the Official Artist for Iditarod. (Session limited to 25) www.jonvanzyle.com
			Extension Session Two: Self - Guided Walking Tour, Downtown Anchorage. See the 'start' location and other places of interest. Downtown map provided.
			Extension Session Three: Reflections and Communications: Use this time to journal the day's experiences or work on your personal educational projects/communications with home schools, etc.

Session 5	Sunday, March 2, 2008 Iditarod Restart	Times	Be a part of the Last Great Race® by assisting behind the scenes on restart day. Details to be announced to participants in this optional session and specifics may not be available until conference week. Open to 10 participants.
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Thanks for your interest in our educational conferences. We hold two conferences in Alaska each year, one the week prior to the start of the Iditarod and the second in June, the week before the Volunteer Picnic and Iditarod Sign Up.

*The schedule for the conference is subject to change to allow us the flexibility to provide participants with the best conference and experience and/or due to circumstances beyond our control. Expect changes because we plan to bring you the best conference ever!

Authors at our Book Fair may differ from year to year and specifics are not always available until mid to late February. Book Fair hours: 11:30 – 1:00. This event is open to the public. (Free) Our next conference Book Fair will be March, 6 2009, 3rd Floor Millennium.

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