



The voice and literacy of 21st century students

Application Deadline: Friday, April 28, 2006

Online Application: http://ctap.lacoe.edu/workshops/dv_voice

Instructional Technology Outreach (ITO) at the Los Angeles County Office of Education is accepting applications from K-12 public school teachers interested in participating in DV Voice, a project focused on effectively integrating technology tools and digital content into teaching and learning to empower student voice. Classrooms from public school districts throughout Los Angeles County will be selected to participate in and benefit from this opportunity.

What is DV Voice?

The DV Voice project seeks to empower students to share their voice and perspective with America and the world. ITO is dedicated to providing a complete set of curriculum, professional development, and resources for teachers to effectively integrate technology into teaching and learning.

Throughout the 2006-2007 school year, participating teachers will integrate technology tools and digital content into their teaching practice. Participating students will access their curriculum in new ways and express what they have learned through digital storytelling. Students will incorporate narrative writing with digital photography, enhanced audio narratives, and digital video production to explore their communities. This research, writing, and digital media project is aligned with California Content Standards in English-Language Arts and History-Social Science.

What are the benefits for involvement?

Teachers and students at selected schools will benefit by receiving:

- A classroom “digital toolkit” with more than \$5,000 worth of technology tools
- A “teacher packet” of project materials and access to digital content/videostreaming services
- Professional development through a three-day digital multimedia workshop and a two-day project implementation training
- A curriculum guide for digital media projects integrating research and writing standards with the process of digital media production
- Classroom representation in a digital media event focused on student voice

What is the commitment for involvement?

Teachers at selected schools will be expected to:

- Have basic technology proficiency (e.g. ability to word process, use E-mail and the Internet, attach files, save and rename files, operate a digital camera)
- Attend a three-day digital multimedia workshop that will detail the project’s components and provide the knowledge and skills necessary for classroom implementation (substitutes or stipend pay are the responsibility of participating schools or districts)
- Attend a two-day project implementation training
- Obtain approval to use class time for participation in the project
- Follow DV Voice curriculum guide and assist students with completing digital media projects
- Interact with cyber-mentors via E-mail and the Internet
- Obtain district and parent permissions, and participate in project observations and evaluation

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Administrators at selected schools will be expected to:

- Attend an administrator workshop on equipment acquisition, inventory, and management for DV Voice
- Provide substitutes or stipend pay for participating teachers

What is the process for application and selection?

The online application is available at http://ctap.lacoe.edu/workshops/dv_voice. All applicants for the DV Voice project are strongly encouraged to apply with a “partner teacher,” however each teacher must submit a separate online application.

Before filling in the form, applicants should read through the application and have all necessary information ready. Applicants are also encouraged to first compose answers in a word processed document, then copy and paste the information into the application. *Once submitted, an application cannot be changed or edited.*

Applications will be screened and prioritized by LACOE’s Instructional Technology Outreach division. Thirty schools from public school districts throughout Los Angeles County will be selected to participate. Enrollment is limited. All teacher participants will be notified of acceptance status by Friday, May 5, 2006. Subsequently, accepted applicants will be sent a packet that includes a formal commitment which must be signed by the teacher and administrator. Teachers and administrators are responsible for securing any district permissions, releases, and technical support approvals prior to committing to this project.

Schools will be selected to represent the diversity that makes Los Angeles County unique.

Important Dates

April 28, 2006	Application Deadline
May 5, 2006	Notification of Selected Participants
July 18-20, 2006	Three-Day Digital Multimedia Workshop
Fall 2006	Two-Day Project Implementation Training
Sept. 2006–April 2007	Implementation in DV Voice classrooms
Spring 2007	Digital Media Event

Contact Information

Questions regarding the DV Voice project may be directed to: DV_Voice@lacoe.edu

Additional information may be found at: http://ctap.lacoe.edu/content/DV_Voice

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