



**2010 - 2011 Instructional Technology  
Professional Development Opportunities  
Serving Region 10 Schools**

All titles are available on-site and by request as of 07/01/10 to members of the Region 10 Professional Development Cooperative

**Using Discovery Education Streaming Videos in the Classroom *NEW***

Learn to use Discovery Education's Streaming to bring your lessons to life and engage students with dynamic and interactive content.

**Beginning Office 2007 *NEW***

This will cover the fundamentals everyone should know to start using Office 2007 applications: Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.

**Free and Fabulous Web 2.0 Tools *NEW***

The Internet is a virtual goldmine of free software. All you need to know is where to look and just a little bit about how to use it. Enjoy discovering some of these free and fabulous tools.

**Thinkfinity: K-12 Internet Content for the Classroom**

The Thinkfinity program provides no-cost, standards-based Internet content for the K-12 teacher and classroom, developed by the nation's content experts. Online resources include panel-reviewed links to top sites in many disciplines, professionally developed lesson plans, classroom activities and materials to help with daily classroom planning, and powerful search engines. Thinkfinity Teacher Training for Region 10 educators can be customized for your district. Thinkfinity resources can be found at <http://www.thinkfinity.org>

**Interactive Whiteboards in the Classroom *NEW***


Learn to use your interactive whiteboard to improve the learning environment in your classroom.

**Teaching with Movie Maker *NEW***


Learn the benefits of using multimedia in the classroom to engage students and increase retention. In this class you will learn to use Discovery Streaming and Windows MovieMaker to create interactive videos for your classroom.

**Using Photo Story with Discovery Education Streaming**

Enhance classroom instruction and learning by using Discovery Education Streaming and PhotoStory.

**Google Docs and Sites – also available online **

Use free Google Docs and Sites to provide some of the best collaboration and communication tools the web has to offer.

**Internet Research Skills – also available online** 

Understanding some basic searching techniques can make the process of finding just the right information much easier. This training will focus on better searching using effective searching techniques as well as checking information for validity and bias. Learn how to properly apply copyright law and fair use guidelines to material found on the Internet, cite digital sources, and use the power of free Internet resources to facilitate collaboration among your students.

**TMSDS (Texas Math Science Diagnostic System) – also available online** 

The Texas Math and Science Diagnostic System (TMSDS) is an online tool that assesses student strengths and weaknesses in relation to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills. TMSDS is provided at no cost to school districts.