## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers To Use Technology

**AGENCY:** Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education. **ACTION:** Notice of technical assistance workshops.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Education has tentatively scheduled eight regional technical assistance workshops between January 18, 2000 and February 8, 2000 to help prospective applicants better understand the Department's approach to implementing the competitive grant process to be held in spring 2000 under the Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers to Use Technology (PT3) Grant Program, authorized by Title III, section 3122 of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994.

Available Guidelines: Application guidelines will be available on January 7, 2000. Guidelines may be obtained in downloadable format from the program web site http://www.ed.gov/teachtech/ or by contacting the Education Publications Center: ED Pubs, PO Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794–1398; 1–877– 4ED Pubs (1–877–433–7827); TDD: 1– 877–576–7734; Fax: 301–470–1244; web site: http://www.ed.gov/pubs/ edpubs.html; email: edpubs@inet.ed.gov.

**DATES:** Applications from consortia must be received by March 7, 2000.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** At these workshops, the public will be able to learn more about the purposes and requirements of this program, how to apply for funds, program eligibility requirements, the application selection process, and considerations that might help them to improve the quality of their grant applications. Department of Education staff with expertise on these and other issues related to the Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers to Use Technology Program will be available to answer any questions on these topics.

Date, Time, and Location of Technical Assistance Workshops:

The workshops are tentatively scheduled to be held in:

Burlington, VT: Tuesday, January 18, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Hartford, CT: Wednesday, January 19, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Atlanta, GA: Friday, January 21, 2000 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; Club Hotel by DoubleTree, Atlanta Airport North, 3400 Norman Berry Drive, Atlanta, GA 30344; Phone: 404–763–1600; Fax: 404– 765–0200.

Minneapolis, MN: Wednesday, January 26, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

*Albuquerque, NM:* Wednesday, January 26, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Little Rock, AR: Friday, January 28, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

*Seattle, WA:* Friday, January 28, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

San Diego, CA: Tuesday, February 8, 2000 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. San Diego Marriott Mission Valley, 8757 Rio San Diego Drive, San Diego, CA 92108; Telephone: 1–800–842–5329 or 619– 692–3800; Fax: 619–692–0769.

Any interested parties are invited to attend these workshops.

The meeting sites will be accessible to individuals with disabilities. The Department will provide a sign language interpreter at each of the scheduled workshops. An individual with a disability who will need an auxiliary aid or service other than an interpreter to participate in the meeting (e.g., assistive listening device, or materials in an alternative format) should notify the contact person listed in this notice at least two weeks before the scheduled meeting date. Although the Department will attempt to meet a request received after that date, the requested auxiliary aid or service may not be available because of insufficient time to arrange it.

For Additional Information Contact: The precise locations for all of the workshops have not yet been finalized. You may contact Erika Kirby (at the phone number listed in the "For additional Information" section of the notice for precise locations, or check the web site http://www.ed.gov/teachtech/.

Participants should register for these workshops online at http://

www.ed.gov/teachtech, or by printing a copy of the registration form from the web site and faxing the completed form to the attention of Erika Kirby at (202) 502–7775.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kelly E. Green, Policy, Planning and Innovation, Office of Postsecondary Education, Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers to use Technology, 1990 K Street, NW, Suite 6655, Washington, D.C. 20006–8256: Telephone: (202) 502– 7788. Inquiries may be sent by e-mail to Teacher\_\_Technology@ed.gov (please type in the subject line: PT3 APPLICATION WORKSHOP) or by fax to: (202) 502–7775.

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