

The Ability Advisor

"Focusing on Student Abilities"



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Quote of the Month:

"Half our life is spent trying to find something to do with the time we have rushed through life trying to save." Will Rogers (1879 - 1935)

Upcoming Events:

- September 1st – Guidance Fest: Moore Norman Technology Center
- September 3rd – Guidance Fest: Tulsa Technology Center
 - <http://www.okcareertech.org/techprep/guidancefest.htm>
- September 7th – Labor Day
- September 9th – Ardmore: Diabetes management in school training. For more information check out the registration page. <http://apps.sde.state.ok.us/DiabetesConference/default.aspx>
- September 9, 10, 11 – Oklahoma Transition Institute: Metro Technology Center, Oklahoma City. Link for registration <http://education.ou.edu/zarrow/>
- September 13, 14, 15 – North Central Accreditation (NCA) Fall Conference <http://sde.state.ok.us/Calendar.aspx>
- September 10th – Guidance Fest: Kiamichi Technology Center - Atoka
- September 15th – Guidance Fest: Western Oklahoma State College – Altus
 - <http://www.okcareertech.org/techprep/guidancefest.htm>
- September 17th & 18th – Encyclomedia – Cox Convention Center, Oklahoma City <http://sde.state.ok.us/Services/Conference/Encyclomedia/default.html>
- September 22nd – Guidance Fest: High Plains Technology Center – Woodward
 - <http://www.okcareertech.org/techprep/guidancefest.htm>
- September 30th – October 3rd - NCPN Conference: National Career Pathways Network, Atlanta Georgia. For more information check out the NCPN webpage. <http://www.cord.org/ncpn-index.cfm>
- October 7th – CTE Showcase: Moore Norman Technology Center South Penn – This event will focus on Instructional Improvement, Marketing, Using Data, Recruitment, Retention and Student Transition. For more information keep an eye on the ICAT website. <https://icat.okcareertech.org/cgi-bin/WebObjects/OKCT.woa/wa/community>
- October 21st – Oklahoma City: Diabetes management in school training. For more information check out the registration page. <http://apps.sde.state.ok.us/DiabetesConference/default.aspx>

Reminders /FYI:

- This will be my final Ability Advisor monthly newsletter. I have accepted a counseling position at Pioneer Technology Center in Ponca City. My final day at the Oklahoma Department of Career Tech will be August 31st. I will miss having the opportunity to work with the technology center personnel from across the state. Just remember that I am not leaving town, I am just moving down the road a bit. If you have any questions that I can assist with, feel free to contact me at Pioneer Technology Center. (580) 762-8336

Word of the Month:

Propitious \pruh-PISH-uhs\, adjective:

1. Presenting favorable circumstances or conditions.
2. Favorably inclined; gracious; benevolent.

It is hard to imagine a less **propitious** start to a marriage: in a single blow Vincent forfeited the trust of his wife, the respect of her family, and the means of his own support.

-- Matthew Sturgis, *Aubrey Beardsley: A Biography* www.dictionary.com

Useless Fact of the Month:

- Mageiricophobia is the intense fear of having to cook.
<http://phobias.about.com/od/phobiaslist/a/mageirocophobia.htm>

Resources for Educators:

- **Math-in-CTE Lessons**

“The Math-in-CTE model is not a curriculum, nor is it a set of lesson plans. It is both a process and a pedagogy that, when followed, will result in improved math skills. Therefore, curriculum mapping to locate the math embedded in CTE curricula always precedes the selection and development of the math-enhanced lessons. Because CTE curricula vary greatly, as do the kinds of math found in different CTE occupational areas, the kinds of lessons that emerge will also vary from course to course and program to program. This page provides links to the math-enhanced CTE lessons created by CTE-math teacher teams from five occupational areas who participated in the Math-in-CTE study. Each lesson follows the seven element pedagogic framework of the Math-in-CTE model.”

http://136.165.122.102/mambo/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=69

Click here to learn more about the "[Seven Elements](#)" of a Math-Enhanced CTE Lesson.

- **Assessment**

I have received several calls about the Ability to Benefit ATB approved assessment list. Below is the link to the Federal Student Aid Handbook. Included in the handbook is the approved ATB assessment for the 09-10 school year. Look at student eligibility in volume one.

<http://ifap.ed.gov/ifap/byAwardYear.jsp?type=fsahandbook&awardyear=2009-2010>