

Program Highlights

- **88%** of eCoaches earned 1 MSDE credit by completing eCoach Orientation that includes a face-to-face class and online modules in Blackboard (Adult Learner, Digital Citizenship and Differentiation).
- Tammy Worcester, author of *50 Quick and Easy PowerPoint Activities* spent a day with the 2006-2007 eCoaches.
- **2004-2005** eCoach participants received a digital camera for their schools.
- **All** eCoaches receive a flash drive.
- **24 out of 88 2005-2006** eCoaches earned **1 MSDE credit** for participation in 3 five-hour online modules: Grant Writing, Online Collaborative Projects and the Reflective Practitioner.
- During 2006-2007, **Internet Safety** sessions were held for teachers sponsored by the Office of Instructional Technology, Volunteer Office and Anne Arundel Community College.
- **44 out of 88** eCoaches attended a Transcontinental presentation about Electronic Portfolios.
- **All** eCoaches receive Thinkport Training.
- **44** eCoaches attended Palm Training and received a Palm.
- **All** eCoaches receive AACPS Online Database Training.
- **80 out of 105** eCoaches were trained in the use of teacher monitored email for students, from GaggleNet Representatives.
- In-service days simulate mini-conferences as attendees select sessions.

Upcoming Events

Professional Development Opportunities

Fall In-service: November 9, 2007

Possible Topics : Maryland Technology Literacy Standards, Emerging Technologies, Thinkport, Online Databases, Advanced Document Camera, Blackboard WebPages for Teachers, Google Earth/Sketch Up, PhotoStory 3, Software Updates, Internet Safety, Interactive Uses of PowerPoint, Senteo

Spring In-service: May 13, 2008

Possible Topics: Creating WebQuests, Podcasting, Using Technology Tools: Emerging Technologies, Electronic Portfolios



MICCA Conference:
April 30th or May 1st, 2008
(# attendees depends upon funding)

On-going Opportunities:

Professional Development Follow-up and Community Sharing through Blackboard Grant Writing, Infusion Course for eCoaches

Office of Instructional Technology
Carver Staff Development Center
2671 Carver Road
Gambrills, MD 21054
410-222-1693

**AACPS eCoach
2004 - Present**



**Empowering One Teacher
at a Time**

**Office of Instructional
Technology**

Impact on AACPS

The eCoach Program has grown each year since its onset in the fall of 2004.

- **2004-2005**– 68% of elementary schools, 74% of middle schools and 75% of special centers participated in the program.
Total number of eCoaches: **78**
- **2005-2006**– 79% of elementary schools, 73% of middle schools and 50% of special centers participated in the program.
Total number of eCoaches: **88**
- **2006-2007**– 92% of elementary schools, 89% of middle schools and 75% of special centers are participated in the program.
Total number of eCoaches: **105**
- **2007-2008**- 92% of elementary schools, 95% of middle schools and 95% of the special centers.
Total number of eCoaches= **98**



AWARDS

Twenty-four 2005-2006 eCoaches participated in a rigorous grant writing opportunity through Blackboard. **Four** received grant awards from the state's computer association, MICCA.

The grant award winner for **2006-2007**

Anne Arundel County MICCA Nominee for
Technology Leader 2006-2007:

Debbie Montgomery, Principal, Corkran Middle

Anne Arundel County MICCA Nominee for
Technology Educator 2006-2007:

Barry Clark, Teacher, Southern Middle

eCoach Position Description

Who? Teachers, PreK-8, with a minimum of two successful teaching years in AACPS, who regularly infuse technology into instruction.

What? eCoaches will receive a stipend, 2 substitute days, MICCA registration (limited number) by:

- providing **Onsite support.** (ex. Technology Workshops, Overview AACPS Tech Connections for New Teachers, Navigating the AACPS Webpage, File Management, Use of Software Applications, Email Issues).
- serving as the school's contact with the Office of Instructional Technology and maintaining open communication with their assigned Resource Teacher.
- conducting 1-2 hours of **Community Outreach** (Parent Training and/or Tech Showcase).
- attending Fall and Spring Professional Development Days.
- attending one full day of the MICCA conference (limited number able to attend due to funding).
- attending training, through the eCoach program, in the instructional use of new software and hardware.
- providing peer assistance in the use of software and hardware as they are integrated into the curriculum.
- communicating through AACPS email.



Why?

- NCLB states that students will be technology literate by eighth grade. **Maryland Technology Literacy Standards** were accepted as part of the Maryland Voluntary State Curriculum, February 2007.
- eCoaches will serve as on site trainers to share exemplary methods and skills for incorporating technology into instruction.
- eCoaches have the opportunity to collaborate with other eCoaches through their professional learning community in Blackboard.
- eCoaches serve as technology leaders and have opportunities for professional growth in the use of emerging technologies and technology integration.
- eCoaches provide documentation of activities by submitting a log twice a year.

