



# Alabama Math, Science and Technology Initiative:

## Teacher Survey

### Seventh-Grade Science – Montevallo

Please complete this questionnaire at the end of the training and return it, face down, to the data collection staff. Your responses will assist us in assessing the training and making any needed improvements. Data collected from this questionnaire are completely anonymous so that you can feel comfortable responding honestly and candidly.

#### Background information

1. How many total years of classroom teaching experience do you have? (Circle one.)

- 1) None      2) 1-5      3) 6-10      4) 11-15      5) 16 or more years

2. Approximately how many science curriculum trainings or workshops, not including the one you have just completed, have you attended during your teaching career? (Circle one number below.)

- 0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9 or more

#### Training Feedback

The next two questions relate to AMSTI content. For question 3, please consider only your knowledge about the AMSTI content. In question 4, please consider your skill to apply the recommended AMSTI instructional strategies presented at this training.

3. Please rate the **amount of knowledge** you possess about each of the key topics and content addressed in the AMSTI training. First rate your knowledge now that you have completed the training, and then indicate the amount of knowledge you possessed before the training.

Use the 5-point scale provided below. (Circle one response option in the “Now” column and then circle one response option in the “Before Training” column for each item).

My <u>knowledge</u> about...	1= Not at all knowledgeable 2 = Not very knowledgeable 3 = Somewhat knowledgeable 4 = Fairly knowledgeable 5 = Very knowledgeable									
	Now					Before Training				
a. Science notebooks	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
b. Describing and naming organisms, producing scientific drawings, or observation skills	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
c. Pond ecosystems: constructing and observing	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
d. Plants: reproduction, leaf structure, transpiration, and flower structure	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
e. Plant and animal cells: observing, drawing and measuring	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
f. Cell division: understanding and creating a model	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
g. Protists: Observing drawing and measuring	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
h. Fungi: molds, mold formation, fungal garden, and yeast cells	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
i. Daphnia: drawing and experimenting	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
j. Hydra: sketching and observing, feeding, and reproduction	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
k. Seeds: harvesting and preparing. Observing new sprouts.	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
l. GLOBE: Identification of living organisms	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
m. GLOBE: Measurement of living organisms	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5

4. Now think about your **skills** to teach the key topics and content presented in the AMSTI training. First rate your skills to teach now that you have completed the training, and then indicate your skill level before the training.

Use the 5-point scale provided below. (Circle one response option in the “Now” column and then circle one response option in the “Before Training” column for each item).

My <u>skills</u> to teach about...	1= Not at all skilled 2 = Not very skilled 3 = Somewhat skilled 4 = Fairly skilled 5 = Very skilled									
	Now					Before Training				
a. Science notebooks	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
b. Describing and naming organisms, producing scientific drawings, or observation skills	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
c. Pond ecosystems: constructing and observing	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
d. Plants: reproduction, leaf structure, transpiration, and flower structure	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
e. Plant and animal cells: observing, drawing and measuring	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
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5. To what extent will you be able to implement AMSTI in your classrooms during the 2006-2007 school year? (Check only one response.)

- 1. Not at all
- 2. A small extent
- 3. A moderate extent
- 4. A great extent

6. Please list and briefly describe the top 3 challenges or issues you think you may face in implementing AMSTI in your classrooms:

1.

2.

3.

7. How much follow-up to this training (such as support, assistance, or coaching) do you think you will need to effectively implement AMSTI in your classroom during the 2006-2007 school year?

- 1. None
- 2. A small amount
- 3. A moderate amount
- 4. A great amount

8. What additional support, assistance, or coaching, if any, would help you implement AMSTI in your classroom?
9. To what extent do you feel prepared to do the following:

Extent to which you feel prepared to...	Not at all	A small extent	A moderate extent	A great extent
1. Teach the subject matter covered in the AMSTI materials	1	2	3	4
2. Implement teaching strategies promoted by AMSTI (e.g. hands-on teaching, cooperative learning)	1	2	3	4
3. Implement assessment strategies promoted by AMSTI	1	2	3	4
4. Integrate technology in the classroom	1	2	3	4
5. Use student journals/writing in science	1	2	3	4

10. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about the characteristics of the **entire** training.

Training characteristics	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree
1. Training objectives were appropriate.	1	2	3	4
2. The trainers/facilitators were prepared.	1	2	3	4
3. The training was well organized.	1	2	3	4
4. The training content was appropriate to my needs.	1	2	3	4
5. Instructional methods (e.g., lectures, exercises, group work) used by trainers were effective.	1	2	3	4

6. The training environment was collegial and supportive.	1	2	3	4
7. The materials provided at the training will be useful.	1	2	3	4

11. What is your opinion about the amount of time allotted to cover the topics and content in this training? (Check one.)

\_\_\_1. Too much time

\_\_\_2. Just about the right amount of time

\_\_\_3. Not enough time

Please explain your answer about time allotted with specific comments.

12. What did you like most about the training?

13. What improvements, if any, would you suggest for the training?

14. Other comments or suggestions?

**Thank you very much for completing this questionnaire!**  
Please seal it in an envelope and return it to the data collectors.