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**Academy for Future Teachers
June 23-June 30, 2011**

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ACADEMY FOR FUTURE TEACHERS JUNE 23-JUNE 30, 2011

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ATTENTION: Rising high school juniors and seniors from southwest Georgia interested in science, technology, engineering or mathematics and possibly becoming a teacher in one of these fields.

The STEM program at GSW would like to invite perspective science and mathematics teachers to an Academy for Future Teachers in June 2011. The dates are June 23-June 30, 2011. The invitation is extended to rising high school juniors and seniors with an interest in *teaching science or math at the middle or high school level*. The Academy will be an on-campus, over-night experience and will include a weekend expedition to the Georgia coast. The Academy is sponsored by the USG STEM initiative, and each student completing the Academy will receive a \$200 stipend.

A variety of activities will fill the day. There will be science, math and pedagogy classes related to learning content, problem solving and delivering presentations in an interactive, hands-on, activity-based setting.

Applicants should come from the current sophomore and junior classes, have at least a 3.0 GPA and express sincere interest in teaching as a career. Each student will submit an application expressing personal achievements and goals, community and school leadership activities and his/her personal reasons for considering an educational profession.

If an applicant is not accepted during their sophomore year, they may reapply as a junior. Participants may attend the Academy only once.

TO APPLY FOR THE 2011 ACADEMY FOR FUTURE TEACHERS:

- Fill out the following application form completely
- Include an essay on why you are interested in attending this year's AFT
- Send a copy of your current high school transcripts.
- Have two (2) teachers send letters of recommendation (sealed and signed).

SEND THIS APPLICATION MATERIAL TO:

GSW STEM Office
Science Building
800 GSW Dr.
Americus, GA 31709
stem@gsw.edu
229-931-2356

DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS IS MAY 1, 2011.

Academy policies: please read carefully. Any violation of these will result in the participant being expelled from the Academy and forfeiture of the associated stipend.

1. Alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, smoking paraphernalia, firearms, weapons and the like will be prohibited.
2. Participants may bring and leave cars on the GSW campus; however, they must turn their keys in to the STEM staff for the duration of the Academy.
3. Participants are expected to participate in ALL scheduled activities during the Academy. The schedule is very demanding but includes ample opportunity for recreation, entertainment and rest.
4. Participants must abide by all GSW rules and regulations for students and visiting groups.
5. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that the transcript and letters of recommendation are mailed by the postmark deadline.
6. Participants should prepare to spend a weekend exploring one of Georgia's barrier islands and the Okefenokee Swamp. This trip will be physically demanding involving a great deal of walking and exposure to the sun, heat, insects and other elements.
7. Participants should dress appropriately and comfortably: shorts should be no more than 4 inches above the knee. Good choices include loose fitting, cotton, light colored shorts and T-shirts. Participants must wear appropriate footwear: athletic or hiking boots.
8. Students with dietary restrictions, special medical needs and physical handicaps should include this information with their application. We will attempt to accommodate as best we can.
9. Students will be expelled for inappropriate and illicit behavior.
10. For additional information contact the GSW STEM Office. (229-931-2356)

I have read and will abide by the Academy policies.

Applicant name (Please print)

Applicant signature

Date

Parent/Guardian name (Please print)

Parent/Guardian signature

Date

GSW AFT Application Form

Student Information:

_____ Female Male
First Name Last Name

_____ Date of Birth
Tag Name

_____ City Zip Code
Address

_____ Email Address
Home Phone

Please circle your current year in high school: Sophomore Junior

_____ High School Phone
High School Name

_____ City Zip Code
High School Address

School Activities and Honors: please list all school-related clubs and any offices held.

Freshman:

Sophomore:

Junior:

Community Service, Activities and Honors:

Please circle your teaching level(s) of interest:

Middle School (4-8) High School (9-12)

Subject area(s) of concentration

