

## Primary Writing

Perhaps the most important years in education are those formative ones in primary classrooms. Not only do those beginning classes help children adjust to school, but they also are the cornerstone for all student learning. Because of the vital nature of those lower classrooms, primary teachers have a very special place in our combined effort to build writers and thinkers; however, many times, primary teachers are left out of workshops and have special needs that are often not met in our rush for accountability level training.

We have built a workshop that will help to meet those special needs, such as

- What primary writing looks like and how it develops
- What the writing process looks like in the primary classroom
- How to use organizers and manipulatives to help a young writer
- What picture books and other resources can be used to spark writing ideas

All of these ideas and strategies are based on and grounded in the Common Core Writing Standards for Grades K-2. Not only will primary teachers get a chance to examine the standards and best-practice strategies for the youngest writers, but they will also have an opportunity to share ideas and strategies with other primary teachers from across the state in a risk-free environment.

We do expect these workshops to fill up fast, and we must limit the number of participants, depending on the size of the room. Because of the popularity of these workshops, we also must request a **48-hour notice for any cancellation of a registration**. Without providing us with a timely notice, your district will be charged for the seat which could have been filled from our waiting list.

**Effective Instructional Leadership Credit (6 hours) is available for this workshop.**

Date	Location	Facility
November 18	Bowling Green	Knicely Center for Economic Development, Nashville Rd., Room 112
November 30	Lexington	Comfort Inn, Buena Vista Dr. Professional Conference Center Room

Cost: \$100 per participant (Purchase order number or check, payable to Abell & Atherton, Inc., **must** be presented on or before the day of the workshop. )

Hours: 8:30 – 3:30 local time

Coffee and registration begin at 8:00 AM. Lunch is on your own