Good afternoon instructors and program directors,

"In 30 years [in adult education], this is the best experience yet." Cheryl Botner, Director of Lee County Adult Education, has enjoyed being a part of the KYAE Weekend Blitzes. Want to join us?

Are you passionate about seeing students be successful in the classroom and in the workplace? Join the KYAE Weekend Blitz curriculum planning teams for RLA and/or math! KYAE has been hosting Weekend Blitz contextualized lesson planning sessions at state parks throughout Kentucky in an effort to build lessons for Kentucky’s in-demand career clusters.

In addition to some virtual pre-blitz work, participants spend half-days on Saturdays and Sundays working with others in a team to create units of instruction that are contextualized for a chosen career cluster focus for the weekend, such as manufacturing or hospitality. For their efforts, team members receive a $300 stipend, travel reimbursement and lodging, and meals for the weekend. We encourage participants to bring their families along to spend time exploring all the parks have to offer.

Others who have been participants have these things to say about their blitz participation:

"The $300 is a big incentive along with being able to bring my family for a state park getaway. Collaborating with other adult educators helps the process go smoothly and we have a few laughs." --Julie Hendrix, Powell County

"The three of us [have] worked so well together and have become friends in the process. The term 'divide and conquer' couldn't be more true. By the second blitz, we actually finished early--more time to enjoy a beautiful state park!" --Jackie Robertson, Hancock County

Only individuals who have a lesson plan accepted to the KYAE Lesson Bank are eligible to participate, so send a lesson in for vetting to begin the process!

If you are interested in being part of our next blitz, which will be held at General Butler State Park in Carrollton, KY, on March 18-19, please complete the application materials (located on the next page) by Friday, January 27th, and send to susie.roberts@hotmail.com.

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Weekend Blitz Lesson Development Team Application

Home Program: ________________________________________________________________

Content area (check one):  _____ RLA  _____ math

Name: _________________________________________________________________

Job Title: ________________________________________________________________

Phone number: __________________________________________________________

Email address: __________________________________________________________

Director name and contact information: ______________________________________

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Briefly describe your experience with contextualized lesson planning and/or contextualized instruction.

Participants must have a lesson plan accepted to the KYAE Lesson Bank. Please attach the lesson that you’d like to submit for vetting. Ensure that it is on the updated KYAE Lesson Plan Template.

If applying for math, please summarize each of the Key Advances (Focus, Coherence, Rigor) in your own words and their impact on classroom instruction.

If applying for RLA, please summarize each of the Key Advances (Complexity, Evidence, Building Knowledge) in your own words and their impact on classroom instruction.

Application Materials Checklist:
____ Completed application  ____ Attached lesson plan for submission to KYAE Lesson Bank vetters

Email completed application and required materials to Susie Roberts, Blitz Coach: susie.roberts@hotmail.com with subject line: Blitz Application no later than February 1, 2016.