New River Sponsors Second Regional Conference on Education and Technology

[BECKLEY,WV] New River Community and Technical College will sponsor the 2009 Faculty Academy, the second annual regional conference on education and technology, at the Erma Byrd Public Higher Education Center in Beaver, WV on Tuesday, May 19.

The day-long conference provides an opportunity to examine technological changes that are expanding and facilitating learning and teaching. New River faculty members, faculty from regional and national colleges and universities, corporate representatives and K-12 representatives are invited to attend.

One of the sessions will feature a “Custom Animations Workshop,” during which participants will learn to create simple animations to enliven and isolate text in PowerPoint and use available freeware to enhance lecture content. “Leveraging Multimedia for Distance Learning” will summarize some of the most important guidelines for educators to consider in order to get the most from e-learning programs.

New River will recognize the recently-established Center for Teaching Excellence with a ribbon-cutting ceremony during the conference. The Center was created to serve faculty from all New River campuses with technology workshops and support for design and development of distance education courses.

For further details about the academy, visit http://web.newriver.edu/academy, or call or e-mail Dr. David J. Ayersman at 304-256-0280, dayersman@newriver.edu.

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