

MRVED UPDATE

IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR IPAD USERS: REMEMBER TO USE iBooks TO READ THE UPDATE. YOU WILL THEN BE ABLE TO ACCESS ALL OF THE LINKS.



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REGISTRATION CLARIFICATION:

The MRVED website (www.mrved.com) has many pages that can **ONLY** be viewed if you are a registered member of the site. To become a registered member you need to do the following:

- Click on the “Register” button on the very top of the website in the gray bar area and provide the information requested.
- You will create a username and password for the site as a part of this registration.
- Every time you access the MRVED website, you will want to log in by using the username and password that you created.
- This will provide you access to the “private” side of our website.
- By logging in every time, you will have access to everything on our website, including the webinars offered by Brandon.

SAVE THE DATE—OCTOBER 11, 2011 (Science Best Practice meeting was originally scheduled for this date. It has been changed to 2/2/2012). The Minnesota Department of Education will be providing math and science educators the opportunity to learn and explore the new Math and Science Frameworks on October 11, 2011 at the MRVED. This will be a full day training with the afternoon focused on MCA and ELA updates. Registration is limited to the first 45 people to sign up. Please note this is a regional workshop and will fill up fast. Registration details and times will be coming **SOON**.

Webinar Update:

The basic iPad Webinar was held on Monday, September 12 at 3:20 p.m. There were 8 people in attendance. Topics that were covered included turning on and off the iPad, care, settings, and tips and tricks. You can access the archived webinars on the MRVED website. (Staff development, Tech Integration, Webinar Channel, Webinar Archive) The next webinar is scheduled for Monday, September 26, 2011 at 3:20 p.m. The topic will be **“Must Have iPad Apps.”**

TIP/RESOURCE OF THE WEEK

Check out these grant resources.

- Toshiba Small Grants Program- K-5 grant deadline is October 1, there is no deadline for 6-12 grants.
- Lowe’s Toolbox for Education- \$5 million awarded to 1,000 different schools. Deadline is October 14.
- NEA Foundation Grants- Variety of different grants and deadlines.
- American Library Association- Huge list of grants for a variety of projects centered on literacy.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

September 22
Teachers’ Advisory Council

September 23
Title III Teachers

September 28
Superintendents’ Council

September 29, 2011
Agriculture

September 30, 2011
Music

iPad APP OF THE WEEK:

LeafSnap HD: Have you ever wondered what type of trees you have in your yard or around you? Now you can pick a leaf, take a picture of it with your iPad and the app will search a database and try to find a match for you. You can then add that classification to a global map, and other users can see what grows in and around where you live. The best part, it’s FREE!

MyCongress: As election season starts to heat up, keep track of your representatives with this app. Easily search for your local representatives and see their recent news, YouTube channels, and Twitter feeds. Also, access their websites and see their contact information. Great app for any social studies classroom!