Sample Agenda

LAUSD 1-Day Inquiry in Earth Sciences Workshop

Introduction to Institute 8:00-8:30

Time	Facilitator(s)	Purpose	Activities
8:00-8:30		· To build community among	· Introduce Facilitators
		participants	· Introduction to the day (goals and outcomes of workshop)
		· To establish norms and a	· Have participants introduce themselves
		purpose for the PD	· Establish norms

Introduction to Inquiry 8:30 -11:30

Time	Facilitator(s)	Purpose	Activities
8:30-9:00		· To access prior knowledge (pretest)	 Frayer model in groups about scientific inquiry Explain that we will be experiencing a lesson as an adult learner that they will also be able to take back to their classroom
9:00 – 9:15		· To model engaging learners	Engage portion of power point (ducks)Initial drawing of currents on world map
9:15 – 10:00		 To model the exploration portion of scientific inquiry To make observations and collect evidence 	 Convection activity: hot and cold water in clear cups (prediction – activity – connect observations to prediction – explanation) Introduce convection (vocabulary) Second drawing of currents on world map based on new evidence collected Convection activity: water basin with hot and cold water (prediction – activity – connect observations to prediction – explanation) Third drawing of currents on world map based on new evidence collected
Break 10:00 – 10:15		Break 10:00-10:15	****Break 10:00 – 10:15****
10:15-10:30		· To model developing evidence based explanations	 Compare drawing 3 with actual ocean current drawing What are other examples of convection currents; what are not examples

	and compare to scientific community	of convection currents
10:30-11:30	· To introduce scientific inquiry	 Teacher move / learner move t-chart. What did you notice that the teacher did and how did that affect you as a learner How is this different from how you learned science (introduce difference between explain-explore-confirm vs engage-explore-engage) Introduce the inquiry cycle poster and the 5Es. When did you notice these pieces during the course of the lesson (post-its of individual elements of lesson placed on posters)

Analysis of Lessons 11:30-12:00

Time	Facilitator(s)	Purpose	Activities
11:30 – 12:00		· To analyze "hands-on	· Distribute different lessons to different groups
			· Have groups analyze the lesson to identify the key concepts and whether
			or not the lesson is inquiry based or not
		activity based lessons to see	· Have teachers make suggestions for improvement to make the lesson
		if they are inquiry based	more inquiry focused. Have groups quickly share out-
			· Show participants topic choices and have each one select their top three
			choices on a note card (they will work on these topics after lunch)

**** Lunch 12:00-1:00 *****

Design Inquiry Stations 1:00-2:00

Time	Facilitator(s)	Purpose	Activities
1:00-2:30 pm		their own inquiry-based	 Split participants into groups based on topics of interest (from note cards filled out before lunch) Have each group come up with a self-contained, inquiry-based station with one lesson related to that topic (there will be resources available including textbooks, websites, materials, etc.) Give groups 45 minutes to work with their group in making a station

			· Groups have 45 minutes to rotate from station to station, following the directions at each table; comments and queries can be written on post-its and left at the table.
			Participants may take breaks at own discretion.
Time	Facilitator(s)	Purpose	Activities
2:30 – 3:00		· To debrief the day and recap scientific inquiry	 Share findings from stations Pass back inquiry Frayer-Model about inquiry; make adjustments to demonstrate new understanding (reassess) Clean Up Gots and Needs Evaluations