

# NE Future Problem Solving Program Coaches Training "Understanding and using the FPS Model"

Workshop ID #9872

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Dates: August 26, 2008; 8:30-3:30  
September 11, 2008; 8:30-12:00  
October 6, 2008; 8:30-12:00

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Audience: Teachers gr. 4-12 and HAL Facilitators

Registration: Call Jane Patterson at ESU 3, 597-4884, or email to [registration@esu3.org](mailto:registration@esu3.org)

Cost: \$80 ESU3 Schools - \$90 Non-ESU3 Schools

## Description:

Training in three sessions which will introduce Future Problem Solving (FPS) and sharpen your skills of the FPS process. The FPS process is a rigorous research based creative problem solving program that will bring depth of thinking to your students.

Teacher/participants will be given training in the six step process used by the International Future Problem Solving Association and the Nebraska Future Problem Solving Program with a goal to compete in the Nebraska program.

Instruction and discussion of the FPS steps will enable you to guide students in grades 4-12 in the following steps:

1. Identify Challenges in the Future Scene
2. Select an Underlying Problem
3. Produce Solution Ideas to the Underlying Problem
4. Generate and Select Criteria to Evaluate Solution Ideas
5. Apply Criteria to Solution Ideas
6. Develop an Action Plan



The following Future Scenes will be used for 2008-09:

Practice Problem #1- The Olympic Games

Practice Problem #2 -Cyber Conflict

Qualifying Problem - Space Junk

## Notes:

- Registration is for all three dates.
- Lunch on your own August 26
- Participation will enable teachers to use the FPS process in their classrooms and compete at the state level if desired.