

Thanks and Recognition

The schedule for the 2013 Faculty Academy once again boasts 14 sessions that span throughout one very full day, but this year they are all presented by representatives from New River Community and Technical College! I am very pleased to lift up my academic colleagues by putting you on the stage to share your experiences and expertise in this annual event.

The presentations this year address a range of topics from eBooks and new definitions of distance education to assessment issues and the creation of a new online student orientation. As you review the program, I'm certain you'll find something of interest to you.

The Faculty Academy is intended to be an event to showcase our own New River faculty and this year it achieves that with a 100%. It is truly YOUR event!

So please join me in thanking all of our **Presenters** and **Session Chairs** who have made this year's program possible. Their names are clearly listed in the program. And for providing the name badges, coffee mugs, printed proceedings, meals and generally helping with all the logistics, I thank **Reba Jourdan** and **Myrna Thomas**. For hosting the Academy this year, I thank **Lisa Hatcher** and all the employees at the **Advanced Technology Center** for their wonderful hospitality and camaraderie.

I am sincerely thankful to all of you who help to make the Academy a success each year. It is your event and I look forward to it each year because with your help I feel that it is progressively getting better each time.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Ayersman', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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