



# Iditarod's 2008 Winter Conference for Educators

## Anchorage, Alaska: February 26 – 29, 2008

### Millennium Alaskan Hotel



Conference Event	Date and Location	Scheduled Event	
<p>Session 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesday, February 26, 2008 Millennium Alaskan Hotel 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Anchorage, AK</b></p>	<p>7:30 – 8:00 A.M 8:00 – 8:15</p> <p>8:15- 9:00</p> <p>9:00 -11:00</p> <p>12:00- 1:00</p> <p>1:00- 1:45</p> <p>2:00- 2:30</p> <p>3:00</p> <p>7:00 – 8:45</p>	<p><b>Registration and Pre-Conference Activity and Introductions</b> <b>Opening Activity: Adventure Learning! Team Building</b></p> <p><b>Wells Fargo Teacher on the Trail™: The Teaching Adventure of a Life Time</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program Highlights and connecting to NCLB Criteria</li> <li>• Meet 2008 Wells Fargo Teacher on the Trail™ Jane Blaile, Phoenix, AZ</li> <li>• Meet the 2009 Wells Fargo Finalists</li> <li>• Discover how to connect your classroom with this adventure!</li> <li>• Wells Fargo Hands on Banking and Teaching Tools for Iditarod</li> </ul> <p><b>Presentations:</b> Finalist Presentation (9:00 – 9:45) Finalist Presentation (10:00- 10:45) Finalist Presentation (11:00- 11:45)</p> <p><b>Lunch on your own (12:00)</b></p> <p><b>2008 Wells Fargo Teacher on the Trail™ Jane Blaile</b></p> <p><b>Mini Session: Adventure Learning</b></p> <p><b>Choose from the following:</b> <b>Extension Session One: Visit the kennel, art gallery, and Home of Jon and Jona Van Zyle. Jon is the Official Artist for Iditarod. (Session limited to 25)</b> <a href="http://www.jonvanzyle.com">www.jonvanzyle.com</a></p> <p><b>Extension Session Two: Self - Guided Walking Tour, Downtown Anchorage. See the 'start' location and other places of interest. Downtown map provided.</b></p> <p><b>Extension Session Three: Reflections and Communications: Use this time to journal the day's experiences or work on your personal educational projects/communications with home schools, etc.</b></p> <p><b>Evening Session: Wells Fargo Bank: Museum Tour, Activity, and Social Hour</b> <b>Address: Wells Fargo Bank: 301 W Northern Lights Blvd</b> 7:00- 8:00: Social Hour and Museum Walk Through 8:00- 8:30 Activity led by 2009 Finalists 8:30 End of Session</p>







Thanks for your interest in our educational conferences. We hold two conferences in Alaska each year, one the week prior to the start of the Iditarod and the second in June, the week before the Volunteer Picnic and Iditarod Sign Up.

\*The schedule is subject to change to allow us the flexibility to provide participants with the best conference and experience and/or due to circumstances beyond our control. Expect changes because we plan to bring you the best conference ever!

Authors at our Book Fair may differ from year to year and specifics are not always available until mid to late February. Book Fair hours: 11:30 – 1:00. This event is open to the public. (Free) Our next conference Book Fair will be Feb.29, 2008, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Millennium.

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A summer conference for educators will be held June 22 – 28, 2008 in the Wasilla area. Contact Diane Johnson for information or visit the For Teachers section of the website.

Visit the following blog to learn about last summer's conference: Idita-Camp for Educators:

[http://iditasummerconference.blogspot.com/2007\\_05\\_01\\_archive.html](http://iditasummerconference.blogspot.com/2007_05_01_archive.html) (If the link doesn't take you to the site, try copying the address into your browser. You can also go to <http://www.iditasummerconference.blogspot.com> When you get to the site, click on MAY in the menu to read about the conference events and see pictures from the Dream a Dream Dog Farm.)

Wells Fargo Bank, Alaska is the official sponsor for the Wells Fargo Teacher on the Trail™ program. You can learn more about the Hands on Banking program at <http://www.handsonbanking.org> and discover more about Wells Fargo Banks at <https://www.wellsfargo.com>.

Our 2008 Wells Fargo Teacher on the Trail™ is Jane Blaile, from Phoenix, AZ. <http://www.iditarod.com/teachers/tott.html>

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The Iditarod Education Department strives to assist educators in connecting the theme of Iditarod to the content and cultural standards required by each state and according to NCLB. We are dedicated to empowering educators to use best practices of education using research based instructional methods, develop quality standards driven lessons, create units of study that engaging students in the learning process, and to use technology as both a teaching tool and a means for students to practice skills. Our conferences for educators are offered for University credit. Iditarod is a tool of instruction that leads students to academic success.

