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Most Frequently Asked Questions about Professional Development

What kinds of programs does BAWP offer individual schools?

Each program is designed to suit the needs and interests of individual schools and districts, including the previous experience the teachers may have had with BAWP's professional development programs.

When and where are the sessions held?

Workshops are usually held at the school site and are offered at times most convenient for the school, most often after school. BAWP also offers workshops during staff inservice days, Saturdays or during the summer months.

What kinds of professional programs does BAWP offer?

- **Multiple-session series of interactive workshops**, generally about three hours long. These hands-on workshops focus on successful classroom-tested, research-based approaches to the teaching of writing and using writing to learn.
- **School-site coaching**. Coaching is usually done in conjunction with a series of workshop. BAWP coaches can provide services such as in-class teaching demonstrations, classroom observations followed by conferences and facilitation of teacher inquiry groups, looking at student work and curriculum work groups.
- **School-wide writing assessment**. BAWP works with schools to develop and provide support for writing assessments which are tied to school and district writing programs and goals.
- **On-site summer programs**. BAWP provides intensive summer programs where teachers learn more about teaching writing, read and discuss current research, and participate in their own writing. These programs can be designed to support school-site summer programs for students as well.

How much will a comprehensive program cost?

BAWP's fees for workshops are **\$250** per hour for a workshop with a single presenter and **\$350** per hour for a workshop with two presenters. This fee includes both a **coordinator** and **presenter(s)**. Coaching, in-class demonstrations and consultancy is billed at **\$150** per hour.

The **coordinator** attends every session, contacts the presenters to give the workshops, and is in charge of threading the workshops into a meaningful whole. The **presenters** demonstrate teaching methods, writing activities, and a variety of approaches to the teaching of writing which can be used in the classroom.

Because our presenters and coordinators are exemplary classroom teachers themselves, we often have to provide for the cost of substitutes to allow them to leave their classrooms in order to conduct workshop. That cost, along with the cost of travel and workshop materials, is included in the fees below.

- **Half day** or 3 hour workshop with one presenter.....**\$750**
with two presenters.....**\$1,050**
- **Full day** workshops with one presenter.....**\$1,500**
with two presenters.....**\$2,100**
- **Coaching**, consultancy and in-class demonstrations per hour.....**\$150**
- **Pre-series planning meeting**.....**\$100**

Sample programs with approximate costs:

- After-school workshop series (5-10 sessions @ \$250-\$350 per hour)**\$3,750~**
.....**\$10,500**
- After-school workshop series (5-10 sessions) with coaching.....**\$5,250~**
.....**\$13,500**
- On-going school year profession development in conjunction with.....**\$10,000~**
summer Young Writers programs of Summer Institutes for teachers.....**\$17,000**
- On-site supportive professional development activities available.....**\$15,000~**
throughout the school year.....**\$20,000**

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