



## **CESA #3 Fall 2011 Book Study** **Conscious Classroom Management:** **Unlocking the Secrets of Great Teaching** **by Rick Smith**

*This is a book for everyone – for classroom teachers and beginning teachers; for principals who wish to coach their teachers to more effective ways of facilitating learning; and for teacher preparation instructors who can use the text to spark meaningful dialogue about teaching, students, and the management of learning. Written in a wonderfully conversational style, it's almost like Rick is having a one-on-one talk with you about your work!"*

Mike Murphy  
Director of Programs  
National Staff Development Council

CESA 3 is offering Rick Smith's book, Conscious Classroom Management: Unlocking the Secrets of Great Teaching as a Fall 2011 Book Study for educators in southwestern Wisconsin. The class is being offered through Viterbo University for one or two graduate credits. The class is focused around the art and science of effective classroom management. It is designed for classroom teachers and building-level administrators. During the class sessions, students will explore the foundations of a successful invisible classroom management system. The class will focus on prevention and intervention strategies that help a classroom to run smoothly.

The class will be offered for \$220 per graduate credit through Viterbo University in La Crosse, WI. (Note: in order to earn the second credit for the class you will also need to pay an additional fee of \$100 to register for the workshop that Rick is conducting on September 21<sup>st</sup>.)

The class will meet on five Wednesday evenings over the course of the fall semester: September 14<sup>th</sup>; October 12<sup>th</sup>; November 9<sup>th</sup>; November 30<sup>th</sup>; and December 7<sup>th</sup>. The class will meet from 6:30 PM until 8:00 PM each evening in Conference Room A at the CESA 3 Office Building in Fennimore Wisconsin. (Note: we strongly encourage groups of teachers to request a distance learning site within their district or a neighboring district to take the class on the SERTNC Distance Learning Network. Up to for distance sites can be incorporated into the class. Contact David Allen at CESA 3 if you are interested in setting up a site away from Fennimore.)

Class Instructor will be David M. Allen, PI-34 Coordinator for CESA #3. If you have questions about the class content or structure, or if you are interested in establishing a distance-learning site for the class, please contact him at 608-342-4000, Ext. 1001 or [allen@platteville.k12.wi.us](mailto:allen@platteville.k12.wi.us)

Please go on-line at the CESA #3 Website and register for each evening of the class and the workshop if you are planning to attend. You can do this by clicking on the MyQuickReg icon. **Registration fees will be collected as checks the first night of class (bring your check book). You will receive a copy of the textbook via the CESA #3 delivery van (included in the registration costs).** Please contact Marianne Krogen at CESA #3 if you have questions about registration at 608-822-3276, Ext. 227 or [mkrogen@cesa3.k12.wi.us](mailto:mkrogen@cesa3.k12.wi.us)

**(Please see the reverse side of this sheet for a complete Course Outline, Assignments, Class Requirements, and information on the Rick Smith Workshop on September 21<sup>st</sup>.)**

## **COURSE OUTLINE**

- Session 1 – Wednesday September 14, 2011  
Class Overview / Registration  
Foundations to Good Classroom Management  
A . Assuming the Best  
B. Inner Authority  
C. Holding Your Ground
- Session 2 – Wednesday October 12, 2011  
Positive Connections and Consistency  
A. Positive Connections  
B. Consistency  
C. Asking for Help  
D. Got Stress
- Session 3 – Wednesday November 9, 2011  
Teaching procedures
- Session 4 – Wednesday November 30, 2011  
Before School Starts and The first Day of School  
A. Getting Ready  
B. Lesson Design
- Session 5 – Wednesday December 7, 2011  
Consequences, When They Work and When They Don't  
A. Rules and Consequences  
B. Breaking the Cycle of Misbehavior  
C. Putting it All Together  
Class Wrap-up and Closure

## **ASSIGNMENTS AND CLASS REQUIREMENTS**

\*\*For One Credit

- 1) Attendance at all 5 class sessions.
- 2) Read the textbook.
- 3) Actively participate in class discussions.
- 4) Complete 5 reflective assignments. (One following each class session.)
- 5) Completion of a summative Action Plan to be used in a classroom or school building to implement the content covered in this class.

\*\*For a Second Credit

- 6) Attendance at the Rick Smith Workshop on September 21<sup>st</sup>
- 7) Completion of a reflective paper identifying key strategies for effective classroom management that were identified in the one day workshop.

## **INFORMATION ON THE RICK SMITH WORKSHOP**

This workshop is offered as a Professional Development activity by CESA #3.  
Conscious Classroom Management  
Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011  
8:30 AM – 3:00 PM  
Lenz Center, Southwest Technical College, Fennimore, WI