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Athens Technical College to Host 2007 Summer Biotechnology Academy

Athens Technical College is hosting the 2007 Summer Biotechnology Academy beginning June 25, 2007. This initiative is an outcome of a multi-million dollar grant the college received in conjunction with Gwinnett Technical College. The workshops will assist teachers to better educate secondary students in the field of bioscience.

The Academy is scheduled June 25, 26, 27 on the campus of Athens Technical College and will be the first in a series of workshops for high school teachers from surrounding counties.

The Academy will prepare teachers to incorporate biotechnology and scientific technologies into their teaching curricula. The teachers will be prepared to introduce the concepts of biotechnology in the high school and perform scientific activities with their students.

The three day Academy will cover Biotechnology basics such as bacterial transformation, preparing solutions and protein analyses. Scientific equipment will be available to the teachers for use in their classroom.

A \$1.9 million grant from the U.S. Department of Labor's Community Based Job Training Initiative made the Academy possible.

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