

Language Arts Journal of Michigan

Volume 23
Issue 1 *Digital Technology*

Article 1

2007

Front Matter

Follow this and additional works at: <https://scholarworks.gvsu.edu/lajm>

Recommended Citation

(2007) "Front Matter," *Language Arts Journal of Michigan*: Vol. 23: Iss. 1, Article 1.
Available at: <https://doi.org/10.9707/2168-149X.1130>

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by ScholarWorks@GVSU. It has been accepted for inclusion in Language Arts Journal of Michigan by an authorized editor of ScholarWorks@GVSU. For more information, please contact scholarworks@gvsu.edu.

Digital Technology
Language Arts
Journal of Michigan



Language Arts Journal of Michigan
The Scholarly Journal of the
Michigan Council of Teachers of English

Volume 23 Number 1 (Fall/Winter 2007/08)

Executive Committee of the Michigan Council of Teachers of English

President

Fred Barton
Michigan State University
bartonf@msu.edu

President-Elect

Mary Anna Kruch
Grand Valley State University
kruchm@gvsu.edu

Vice-President and NCTE Liaison

Toby Kahn-Loftus
Language Arts Consultant
tobyteach@aol.com

Past President

Maureen Baker
Tri-County High School
mbaker@tricityschools.com

Secretary/Treasurer

Ray Lawson
Retired
rlawson48309@yahoo.com

College Chair

Laura Renzi-Keeler
Central Michigan University
renzil1@cmich.edu

Secondary School Chair

Lori Yegge
Clarkston High School
yeggela@clarkston.k12.mi.us

Middle School Chair

Kathy Vogel
Crossroads Middle School
kvogel@nvps.net

Elementary School Chair

Taryn D. Sabo
Holy Family Elementary School
taryn1014@yahoo.com

Urban/Diversity Chair

Julie Mix
Wayne State University
j.mix@wayne.edu

LAJM Co-Editors

Kia Richmond
Northern Michigan University
krichmon@nmu.edu

W. Douglas Baker

Eastern Michigan University
douglas.baker@emich.edu

MET Co-Editors

Rita Maddox
Language Arts Consultant
wjmaddox1@comcast.net

Troy Hicks

Central Michigan University
troy.hicks@cmich.edu

Regional Coordinators

Region I

Vacant

Region II

Vacant

Region III

Vacant

Region IV

Kimme Knuckles
Baker College
kimme.knuckles@baker.edu

Region V

Reade Dornan
Michigan State University
dornan@msu.edu

Region VII

Toby Kahn-Loftus
Central Michigan University
tobyteach@aol.com

Region VIII

Vacant

Region IX Webmaster

Rob Patin
Tri-County High School
rpatin@tricityschools.com

Region X

Toby Kahn-Loftus
Central Michigan University
tobyteach@aol.com

Region XI

Kia Richmond
Northern Michigan University
krichmon@nmu.edu

Membership

Bridgitt Gardner
Success Academy, Hill Center
mctmembership@hotmail.com

Michigan Youth Arts

Festival Liaison

Susan Garza
Atherton High School
sgarza@athertonschools.com

Student Affiliate

Frank Accavitti
Michigan State University
accavit1@msu.edu

Michigan Department of Education Liaison

Lynnette VanDyke
English Language Arts Consultant
VanDykeL@michigan.gov

Language Arts Journal of Michigan

The Scholarly Journal of the
Michigan Council of Teachers of English

LAJM is published in Fall/Winter and Spring/Summer by the MCTE, a member of the National Council of Teachers of English Affiliate Information Exchange Agreement. *LAJM* invites teachers and educators at all levels (kindergarten through college) to submit manuscripts for consideration, ones that address issues, theoretically-based classroom practices or research in the teaching and learning of English language arts.

Guidelines for Submitting Manuscripts:

Manuscripts should be 4-12 pages in length, double-spaced, use MLA style for parenthetical documentation and NCTE's *Guidelines for Gender-Fair Use of Language*. Although we accept print submissions, we strongly prefer submissions via email (as attachments in MS Word, Appleworks, RTF or other compatible word processing programs). See the *Call for Manuscripts* in this issue for upcoming themes.

Submit Manuscripts to:

W. Douglas Baker
Language Arts Journal of Michigan
Department of English
Eastern Michigan University
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
douglas.baker@emich.edu (preferred)

Kia Jane Richmond
Language Arts Journal of Michigan
Department of English
Northern Michigan University
Marquette, MI 49855
krichmon@nmu.edu (preferred)

Editors

W. Douglas Baker
Eastern Michigan University

Kia Jane Richmond
Northern Michigan University

Editors Emeriti

Jonathan Bush
Allen Webb
Western Michigan University

Editorial Assistant

Nikki Tharp
Eastern Michigan University

Subscription Information

Annual membership MCTE costs \$40, or \$25 for students, and includes subscriptions to *LAJM* and *Michigan English Teacher*. Send a check payable to MCTE:

MCTE
Box 1152
Rochester, MI 48603

(for more information, go to www.mienglishteacher.org)

Printing

Central Michigan University Printing Services
CMU Mt. Pleasant, MI 48859

Language Arts Journal of Michigan

The Scholarly Journal of the Michigan Council of Teachers of English

Volume 23, Number 1
Fall/Winter 2007-08

- 4 *Becoming Literate with New Technologies*
W. Douglas Baker and Kia Jane Richmond

Implementing “New Literacies” and (Re)Defining Literacy

- 6 *Literacy, Technologies, and the 21st Century: Scenarios on Technology, Literacy, and the Making of Meaning*
Kathleen Blake Yancey
- 11 *Keepin’ It Real: Multiliteracies in the English Classroom*
Troy Hicks and Dawn M. Reed
- 20 *Debunking Instant Messenger Myths: Meeting Student Needs in a Digital Age*
Meredith A. Graupner

Examples of Teachers Incorporating Digital Technologies

- 25 *My Literary Space: Using Social Networking to Teach Character Analysis*
Bethany Erickson and David Knapp (with Robert Rozema)
- 30 *How a \$49 Webcam Turned a Class Around and Saved My Sanity*
Val Johnson
- 36 *The Trilogy: An Effective Rhetorical Strategy for Designing Digital Texts*
Christine M. Tracy
- 46 *Smash Cars Accelerates Emergent Writing to Reading: Debunking Myths of Software Games and Literacy*
Rose Cherie Reissman
- 51 *Power of Posting Prose: Teaching New Literacies with Poetry*
J. Gregory McVerry

Preparing Teachers for the Classroom

- 57 *The Day I Was Born: The Tale of Two Student Teachers and a Bungled Internet Project*
Elizabeth Brockman, Christine Luoma, and Shae Potocki
- 64 *Improving the Preparation of Pre-Service Teachers in Real-World Environments*
Connie Mietlicki
- 69 *English Teachers: We Need to Hop on the Technology Train*
M. P. Cavanaugh

Asking Hard Questions about Incorporating Technology

- 74 *The Devil in the Machine: Problems with Computerized Writing Assessment*
Nancy G. Patterson
- 80 *Y2K + 7 and Counting: It's Time to Get ALL of Michigan's Students Internet Ready*
Rita E. Paye
- 87 *Still Vigilant about Doublespeak?*
William J. Vande Kopple

Book Review

- 93 *Teaching and Learning in Multiliteracies: Changing Times, Changing Literacies*
by Michele Anstey and Geoff Bull
Sandra Plair

LANGUAGE ARTS JOURNAL OF MICHIGAN

The Scholarly Journal of the
Michigan Council of Teachers of English

CALL FOR MANUSCRIPTS

The editors of *LAJM* invite teachers and educators across grade levels to submit articles for the Spring/Summer 2008 issue. The theme of the issue, "Preparing Students to Read, Write, View, Listen and Design Texts in the 21st Century," provides opportunities to explore a wide range of issues, practices and research in English language arts. The editors seek manuscripts that reflect diversity of perspectives, theories, and practices on this general theme, although other ideas will be considered.

SUBMISSION DATE – FEBRUARY 1, 2008

Please contact the editors with ideas, questions or comments (for more information see p. 96).

W. Douglas Baker
Eastern Michigan University
(douglas.baker@emich.edu)

Kia Jane Richmond
Northern Michigan University
(krichmon@nmu.edu)