

## **R-7 TEACHERS TO FOCUS ON IMPROVING INSTRUCTION ON PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS**



Lee's Summit R-7 teachers from throughout the school district will participate in a day devoted to professional development on several dates throughout the school year. On R-7 professional development days, teachers receive training in areas such as literacy or effective methods of assessing student progress. They also work in subject-area groups – such as social studies or music – to write curriculum for each course. The overall goal of all professional development is to help teachers improve instructional methods to better meet the academic needs of each student.

The first Tuesday in November is scheduled as a professional development day with no classes held due to the fact that county officials have designated a number of R-7 schools as polling places on this traditional election day.

The fourth Thursday in April is designated as a professional development day since it is also the national Take Your Child To Work Day. This allows families who would like their children to go to work with parents on this day to do so without missing school.