



Dear Statistics Teacher,

Greetings! As an experienced statistics teacher, you already know that understanding statistics will forever change the way your students look at the world. Welcome to a fun-filled week of learning. Look forward to working hard, thinking in new ways, and sharing teaching ideas.

When you come, be sure to bring along your TI-83+ or TI-84 and/or TI-Nspire calculator and a notebook and writing tools. We will have “loaner” calculators (both 84s and Nspires) for the week, but having your own will make it possible to take files back home with you when the institute is over.

Since the group will consist of teachers with experience with the AP course, this institute will allow for much more sharing of ideas and flexibility in “covering material” than it would if we were all new to the course. With that in mind, I invite you to prepare a favorite activity or lesson experience to share during the week. While many such presentations will be directly statistical in nature, it is perfectly proper to select a more general topic or classroom management tip. Please bring along masters for any handouts you might need for this presentation and we will make copies on site. If you are willing to share an electronic copy of your activity with your fellow classmates, please email it to me at any time. And be sure to leave some empty space in your luggage for goodies to take home at the end of the week!

Finally, please take a few minutes to send your answers the following questions to me at your earliest convenience, using the email address listed below.

1. Have you ever used a TI-Nspire calculator? If yes, briefly describe the extent of your experience.
2. What topic would you most like me to include in our week’s discussions? What question would you like to have answered?
3. What topic would you like to present to the group? About how much time would you like for that presentation?

I look forward to meeting you in June. If you have questions between now and then, feel free to contact me by email at

Cheers,
Landy
l.godbold@comap.com