

Kentucky's Mathematics Intervention Initiative Receives International Attention



Kentucky was represented among the international cohort who presented at the Ireland Maths Recovery Summer School in Limerick, July 2009. Kentucky Center for Mathematics Director of Diagnostic Intervention Alice Gabbard, pictured on the left in the front row, was invited to present a session titled Kentucky's Growing Mathematics Intervention Initiative to several hundred enthusiastic Irish teachers and administrators. Attendees were especially interested to hear about Kentucky's successful professional growth model in which mathematics intervention teachers, funded through the Kentucky Department of Education Mathematics Achievement Fund grants, receive intensive training and ongoing support for helping students and other teachers. Attendees also expressed interest in the details of the rigorous and extensive intervention program evaluation. Others pictured in the front row, beginning second from the left: Julia Sheridan, UK; Doris Lehman, New Mexico; Petey MacCarty, Wyoming; Sherry Thompson, Wyoming. Back row from the left: Kurt Kinsey, Wyoming; Christine Porter, UK; Noreen O'Loughlin, Ireland; Dr. Pam Tabor, Maryland; Dr. Bob Wright, Australia and Doris' son, Matthew.