

# Back to School for the School Club Roundup

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The School Club Roundup (SCR) provides on-air experience for youngsters of all grade levels. For many it is their first. More often we are hearing from new school stations that have been started through grants received from ARRL's Education & Technology Program. Teachers, parents, school administrators and local clubs all pitch in to get stations running for the SCR. Some of us, like Hal, K3ATO, continue to return to the schools that we retired from, to keep radio clubs going.

We can all play a part in the future of amateur radio by participating in the SCR, even if it is just by making a few QSOs. Although the SCR has a contest format, our main purpose is to give our young people a chance to get acquainted with ham radio.

The 2006-2007 school year marked the first time there were two SCR sessions in one year. The October 2007 SCR had good participation although many had difficulty finding other schools, mostly due to poor propagation conditions. The 2007-2008 school year will also offer two scheduled Roundups.

School Club Roundup is sponsored by the Council for the Advancement of Amateur Radio in the New York City Schools (CAAR/NYCS), the ARRL and its Hudson Division Education Task Force to foster contacts with and among school radio clubs.

More information and contest rules are available at [www.arrl.org/SCR/](http://www.arrl.org/SCR/). Results from the October 2007 SCR will be posted on this Web page after they are reported and compiled.



The William Byrd High School ARC, WB4HS, took part in the October 2007 SCR. The preliminary results were 386 voice contacts and 28 digital contacts for a total of 97,682 points. School club members and advisors talked to people in 44 states and 23 countries. They also contacted 29 other school clubs across the country. Senior Tyler Shell, KI4VQV, operates WB4HS, while other club members assist.

## Another SCR Coming Next Month

The next SCR starts Monday, February 11 at 1300 UTC and ends Friday, February 15 at 2400 UTC. For those who like to plan ahead, the fall running of the SCR will be October 20-24.

### Suggested School Club Roundup Frequencies (revised October 13, 2007)

Phone (kHz)	CW (kHz)
1855-1865	1800-1810
3850-3880	3530-3540
7225-7255	7030-7040
14,250-14,280	14,030-14,040
21,300-21,330	21,130-21,140
28,440-28,460	28,130-28,140



## THE SCIENCE OF RADIO BELONGS IN AMERICA'S CLASSROOMS; JOIN THE ARRL TEACHERS INSTITUTE TEAM AND MAKE IT HAPPEN!

Teachers who have participated in ARRL's popular summer professional development workshops, the ARRL Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology, continue to spread the word about this exceptional experience and the unique value that Amateur Radio and the wireless technology curricula bring to their classrooms.

The Teachers Institute is one outreach component of ARRL's Education & Technology Program, which has received strong donor support to bring Amateur Radio and the exploration of radio science to schools and classrooms. Building on our success, we are

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making plans to expand the Teachers Institute this year. Contingent on funding, we plan to offer six four-day sessions in 2008 to provide opportunities for 72 teachers, and we're looking for additional qualified instructors to support this expansion of the program. Tentative dates for the 2008 sessions are July 28-31 and August 4-7 at ARRL headquarters, and June 16-19 in Rocklin, California. Dates and locations for the remaining three sessions have not yet been finalized.

The Teachers Institute Instructor position is a part-time contract position that will require lead instruction at a Teachers Institute workshop during the Spring/Summer of 2008 as a paid associate instructor, under the direction of the Teachers Institute Program Manager. Successful performance may lead to a follow-

on contract to provide continuing teacher support throughout the year as well as instruction at future Teachers Institutes.

Qualifications include: Current teaching credential or equivalent college/university teaching experience; experience with using ham radio in a school curriculum; Amateur Extra class license; extensive familiarity with electronics and wireless technology, and flexibility to connect with teachers who work in a variety of classroom environments and present a range of age and teaching experience.

A full description of position responsibilities is posted at [www.arrl.org/es/ti-instructor.html](http://www.arrl.org/es/ti-instructor.html), along with directions for submitting an application. To read more about the ARRL Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology, go to [www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/ti.html](http://www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/ti.html).