SCCTM News September 2017

SCCTM Conference News:

Hotel information is on the website. To access, choose "Conferences" from the main header menu or follow this direct link: http://scctm.org/resources/Documents/2017%20Forms/HotelInfo2017.pdf

If you are a new teacher, join us in the Atrium on Thursday at 9:45. If you are a prospective teacher, join us in the Atrium on Thursday at 4:00. Come network with others and learn about ways SCCTM can support you!

Attention College Students and Professors: SCCTM needs Student Pages to assist with this year's conference. Join this enthusiastic group of volunteers in welcoming conference attendees. Student Pages will receive a lunch voucher and an SCCTM t-shirt. Please contact Bridget Coleman at BridgetC@usca.edu for more details and to volunteer.

Registration: Pay your membership fee first, and you can register at the member rate. Members are eligible for discounted registration fees. If your membership has expired or you wish to join in order to receive discounted conference registration, you must do so prior to completing your online Conference Registration. Your membership must be activated prior to conference registration in order to receive discounted registration.

The early Registration deadline is October 26, 2017. Prices increase after that date. Payment must be made by October 26 or the late/on-site price will be due.

Our goal this year is to have at least 1000 in attendance. So now go to http://www.scctm.org and register. To make the conference even better, ask a fellow teacher to come with you. If we all invited at least one new person to attend the conference and to become a member of SCCTM, we could make this organization one of the best in the nation.

SCCTM Candidates for Office:

The following individuals are running for an office on the SCCTM board. We will have information, including photos and biographies on the website soon. For now, here are their names:

President-Elect

Janel Johnson

Marc Drews

VP - Middle School

Eugene Bellamy, Jr.

Iris Nelson

VP – At Large

Alisa Hobgood

Suzanne Peterson

VP - Post Secondary

Bridget Coleman

<u>Treasurer</u>

Gina Dunn

Wanda Noblin

We like to have at least two candidates for each position. If you are a post-secondary educator and are interested in running for VP - Post secondary, contact Morondo Lewisat molewis@richlandone.org

SCCTM Media Contest Winners:

The K-2, 3-5, and 9-12 winners have been announced! Congratulations to the students and their sponsors! A prize of \$50.00 will be awarded to the following students:

Clara Moore, 1st Grade, Cowpens Elementary

Vanessa Guydyk, 3rd Grade, Cowpens Elementary

Randell Woods, Grade 12, Lamar High School

The winning child's teacher will receive a one year's membership to SCCTM. The winning posters will be displayed at this year's SCCTM Fall Conference and EdVenture Children's Museum.

SCCTM Scholarships:

The SCCTM Educator's Scholarship, established in memory of deceased SCCTM members, provides financial assistance of \$1,500 to a teacher pursuing an advanced degree in mathematics, mathematics education, or elementary education with an emphasis in mathematics. One scholarship will be awarded each year depending upon the availability of funds.

Application deadline has been extended until October 1.

Requirements and the Scholarship Application are found in the Educator Scholarship document.

Edventure Offerings:

EdVenture has its school and group programs posted to its website and would like to encourage teachers and families to check out the changes that we have made, including new programs and a reduced group rate for our school groups. We know that all young people are shaped by special experiences like those provided at EdVenture.

http://www.edventure.org/programs/school-and-group-programs/

Another new feature is our offering School Fundraising Nights (also referred to as Family Engagement Nights) this year. (September to May)

Schools may schedule a night by calling me directly at <u>803-400-1150</u> and share the estimated number of guests so we can arrange for our staffing needs. The event will be from 5:00 to 8:00 PM on the second Tuesday of each month. All guests over two years old will pay \$3 of which \$2 will be returned to the school. Schools garnering over 100 guests will also earn a free field study for a class of students (up to 30 students and four chaperones)--this serves as a great school-based incentive for schools to encourage participation.

Professional Development Opportunities:

USC Aiken Ruth Patrick Science Education Center (RPSEC) Professional Learning Opportunities MATHEMATICS CONTENT SESSIONS, STEM-INFUSED LEARNING SESSIONS

- •Promotes deep insight in appropriate and strategic use of technology in teaching the SCCCRM standards.
- •Standards-based, content specific technology applications in mathematics.
- •Exceptional strategies to accelerate the use of hand-held and on-line digital tools in mathematics instruction. Note: AdvancedED Study (K-12 classrooms in 39 states) shows few classrooms in which digital tools and technology is a regular part of a student's school experience (EdTech 2016 Technology Use Survey, September 28, 2016)
- •New ideas and unique approaches to transforming current lessons using digital-based 21st Century applications.

We look forward to the participation of mathematics and science teachers, curriculum support specialists, and school administrators.

All sessions will be held at USC Aiken in the Ruth Patrick Science Education Center from 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

To register, please visit our website http://rpsec.usca.edu/ProfessionalLearning or use the attached form. Certificates of Participation will be provided.

For more information, please email gloriaa@usca.edu or call 803-641-3592.