

SCCTM News February 7, 2021

Conference News

Please register for the next upcoming **SCCTM Virtual Event being held on Feb 9, 2021: *The Heart and Soul of Mathematics***. We are very proud that we will be bringing together an outstanding group of teachers of the year who truly reflect our profession to share some of their greatest lessons that they have learned as teachers.

Title: Help me I'm overwhelmed! Leveraging Learning Progressions to Personalize Learning for ALL Students

Description:

Are you trying to navigate an effective way to design learning experiences that meet the needs of all students without spreading yourself too thin? Personalizing learning sounds great, but where do I begin? Join us to learn HOW to personalize learning by leveraging learning progressions to make learning more meaningful for students and manageable for teachers.

As a result of this session, you will be able to lead others in regards to what learning progressions are and why they are an important part of personalizing learning. Attendees will leave this session with one possible process for HOW to use learning progressions to meet the needs of all learners and tools for design and implementation. In addition to the resources, attendees will also leave with a new network of colleagues who are exploring the same practices of personalized learning in their own school settings.

Our keynote is Chanda Jefferson, our state's 2020 Teacher of the Year and presently serving as an Einstein Fellow. The event will also feature SC's 2020 Teacher of the Year, Chanda Jefferson, as well as fellow TOYs. One of the breakout sessions will be offered by Nadine Groh and Kristin Logan, associates in the Office of Personalized Learning.

[Register here](#). The code to register is the same as for the previous event. If you need the code, please contact: director@

Everyone who registers ahead will be notified of the Zoom link a week to ten days before the event.

Although there is no fee for this event for members, we are accepting donations. [Follow this link to donate to SCCTM.](#)

[Virtual Meeting Flyer](#)

Donations to SCCTM

As many of you know, the annual in person conference that SCCTM has held each year for decades helps SCCTM earn the funds in order to support the scholarship and grants programs. SCCTM has always been able to keep membership and conference registration fees low due to the support from the vendors who reserve exhibit hall booths and so generously make donations toward the coffee breaks and reception for our members. Without the conference and its exhibit booth sales, our finance committee has had to rework and rethink what is now a very constricted budget.

If you are able to help support SCCTM at this time, you may donate online at: scctm.org/donations or you may mail a check made out to SCCTM, 6 Sandalwood Lane, Sumter, South Carolina 29154.

Membership Benefits

If your membership lapsed with the non-traditional conference this year, here is a reminder of the benefits of membership in SCCTM:

- SCCTM hosts the largest annual statewide math education conference with more than 50 Exhibitors and HUNDREDS of presentations per year!
- SCCTM members get a reduced rates for the conference.
- SCCTM members are eligible for the conference door prize drawings (totalling more than \$2000 worth of prizes on average per year)
- SCCTM members receive news blasts via email containing statewide opportunities and upcoming events.
- SCCTM members receive an online subscription to the teacher friendly and peer-reviewed hybrid journal, The MathMate, published by SCCTM.
- SCCTM sponsors Scholarships, Grant, and Competition Opportunities which provide teachers and students with more than \$10,000 per year!
- SCCTM provides professional development and networking opportunities!

Members often get discounted rates on NCTM memberships and NCTM store discounts!

Professional Development Opportunity

Announcing the [*Center for Mathematical Inquiry Webinar Series!*](#)

Each webinar will focus on improving student understanding of content through the use of thoughtful and purposeful questioning, thereby creating deep understanding, rich discourse, and skills like problem-solving and critical thinking. Webinars will be led by Dr. Richard Robinson, a Citadel Professor, mathematics education researcher, and former award-winning high school mathematics teacher.

Webinars are free and open to all. In addition to valuable discussions, participants will have access to a library of resources, a network of math educators, and can earn CEUs for their efforts.

Tentative Webinar Dates

1st Webinar: Thursday 3/4

2nd Webinar: Thursday 3/25

3rd Webinar: Thursday 4/22

4th Webinar: Thursday 5/20

Join us! You can [register for the first webinar HERE!](#)

Submissions for the e-blast

The SCCTM sends out a monthly news blast. The format for submissions is a short (less than 250 words) description paragraph and links to any flyers or forms on the originating organization's website/storage. This format avoids us housing other organization's documents/flyers on our listserve server's limited space. All submissions must also meet our mission as stated on our website:

"The South Carolina Council of Teachers of Mathematics acts to support quality mathematics teaching by advocating at the state level for South Carolina educators and students; providing opportunities for leadership, professional development, and networking; and encouraging the creation of research-based curriculum, instruction, and assessment."