

# SCCTM News Jan 31, 2020

## SCCTM Book Study: Dine and Discuss

The Dine & Discussion event is \$10 per person and includes 2 evenings of dinner and professional discussion. The event will take place from 5:30 – 7:30 at 5 different sites simultaneously: Greenville, Aiken, Hartsville, Columbia and Charleston. Each teacher is asked to purchase his or her own copy of Limitless Mind by the highly acclaimed Dr. Jo Boaler, her newest book. The first Dine & Discuss event will take place Thursday, Feb 20<sup>th</sup> and the second will take place on September 17<sup>th</sup>. During the months between the two in-person meetings, we will support a discussion thread on the SCCTM.org website to continue the amazing conversations amongst the professionals and colleagues across our amazing state! As such, teachers are able to earn Continuing Education Credits for each Dine & Discuss event and monthly discussion thread in which they participate.

As a special extra, Dr. Jo Boaler has agreed to talk with us via Zoom on our first evening on February 20<sup>th</sup>.

[More Details](#)

[Link to Flier](#)

Locations:

- Charleston Southern University: 9200 University Blvd, North Charleston, SC 29406
- Coker University: Hartsville – Drengalen House on Home Avenue across from the Administration building
- USC Aiken: 471 University Parkway, Aiken, SC 29801
- Hope Church: 2609 Seminole Road, Columbia, SC 29210
- Furman University: Patrick Hall, 3300 Poinsett Hwy, Greenville, SC

Spaces at each site are limited.

## MathMate News

### Change the name?

The South Carolina Council of Teachers of Mathematics (SCCTM) is an organization dedicated to encouraging and stimulating greater interest in mathematics and its applications among students and teachers at all levels of education. We encourage and provide opportunities for the exchange of ideas and materials and work for the improvement and advancement of math instruction.

We currently provide two publications for our members; a newsletter and The MathMate. The newsletter has been distributed four to five times a year and helps members keep in touch with the executive board, corporate sponsors, and what is happening with each other.

The MathMate is the official journal of SCCTM and is published two to three times a year. It features articles about innovative mathematical classroom practices, important and timely educational issues, pedagogical methods, theoretical findings, significant mathematical ideas, and hands-on classroom activities.

We are planning to combine the two publications and possibly renaming the new publication. We are looking for suggestions and input from our members for a name that demonstrates a sense of creativity while maintaining a professional tone.

Please use the link below to offer suggestions for a new name

[Link to name suggestion form](#)

## Conference News

The online speaker proposal form will be linked to our website on February 15. Conference speakers are asked to connect their presentations to the work of Francis Su and his book *Mathematics for Human Flourishing*, that was based on his speech delivered in January 2017. Dr. Su will be one of our keynote speakers at our annual conference held in Greenville on November 19-20.

The book's chapters address different desires that may be clustered in the following manner.

- the Investigative Desires - Exploration, Meaning, Play
- the Aesthetic Desires - Beauty, Permanence, Truth
- the Humanitarian Desires - Struggle, Power, Justice, Freedom
- the Social Desires - Community, Love

These virtues will help promote the beauty and wonder of mathematics, the theme of our 2020 conference. To learn more about the human desires and the work of Dr. Su, please consider:

- viewing Video M4HF (<https://www.youtube.com/>)
- reading his speech Speech M4HF (<https://mathyawp.wordpress.>)
- visiting the website [www.francissu.com/flourishing](http://www.francissu.com/flourishing)

or, of course reading his book released in early January 2020.

## 2020 Information on website

The conference page on the website contains information for the 2020 conference, including the information above, and some of the keynotes for the coming year.

[Direct Link](#)

## Conference Attendance Certificates

The forms will close on June 30, 2019. Please obtain your certificate before then.

- Link to Thursday's Certificate of Attendance: [Click here for Attending on Thursday Only](#)
- Link to Friday's Certificate of Attendance: [Click here for Attending on Friday Only](#)
- Link to Thursday and Friday's Certificate of Attendance: [Click here for Attending Both Days](#)

The links may also be found in the program book.

## STEM Signing Day

2020 South Carolina

STEM Signing Day

Presented by Boeing, BMW, Nucor, and  
South Carolina Manufacturers Alliance

### Event Details

- When: Tuesday, March 31, 2020
- Where: USC Alumni Center - Columbia, SC
- Application Deadline: March 1, 2020

### About SC STEM Signing Day

2020 South Carolina STEM Signing Day is an effort to motivate and encourage South Carolina students to pursue STEM education at the next level. Selected students will be honored on Tuesday, March 31 at the State House in Columbia, SC where they will be recognized for their choice to pursue a STEM degree at a two- or four-year college or university.

### Who can apply?

All South Carolina high school seniors who will be attending either college or university and pursuing a STEM degree are eligible to apply on Tallo. Winners will be selected based on the strength, completeness, and merit of their Tallo profile.

[Link to application](#)

[Link to announcement letter](#)

## NCTM News

*2020 is an exciting year for the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) as we celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We are partnering with NCTM Affiliates throughout the year in celebration of this milestone.*

**- SCCTM helping to celebrate NCTM's 100th Anniversary**

## EdVenture News

Eddie's Book Bank

EdVenture is adding to Eddie's Book Bank and needs your help. Please consider gathering gently used or new books that can be added to our collection and distributed to children and families. We can use your help by • Hosting a book drive at your organization, school, faith group, office. Your donations will be plated and given to children who need them. • Directing or encouraging book donations to EdVenture. • Providing monetary donations that will enable the purchase of age-appropriate, as well as Spanish-language books. • Volunteering your time. We need volunteers who are willing to clean, sort, plate and distribute books. To partner or to receive more information, please contact Erin McDonald at [emcdonald@edventure.org](mailto:emcdonald@edventure.org)