

SCCTM News July 20, 2020

Conference News

Dear SCCTM members,

Last week, the SCCTM Board voted to modify our plans for our annual conference scheduled for November 19-20 in Greenville, because of the many ways COVID-19 is impacting our communities and schools. Rather than an in-person or face-to-face event, the Board has charged itself to be creative and innovative as it considers alternative ways to support our teachers' needs for professional learning.

For 43 years, our members have enjoyed coming together, connecting with one another, sharing hugs with friends who we hadn't seen in a year. Circumstances have changed and we need to be thinking of alternative ways of supporting one another as it relates to the teaching and learning of mathematics.

Our 2020 conference committee (that includes the past president, who serves as chair, and the Board's vice presidents) will work to develop a proposal regarding an alternative to the 2020 conference in Greenville. We expect to share it with the Board before its August 1 meeting.

Since we will be moving from an in-person conference to a virtual venue, there is a good chance that we will be meeting in the evenings and the experience will be very different. If you would like to reconsider your offer to present, please let me know.

We wanted to share this update with you as we will be delaying our notification of our speakers until we have a better understanding of the direction we are headed. Our main priority will be providing online/virtual professional learning opportunities to our members in an effort to enrich their teaching repertoire. Please be on the lookout for an update in early August.

Here's to seeing the beauty and wonder of mathematics

...even from a distance.

Marc

Marc Drews, SCCTM Past President

Chair, 2020 Annual Conference

Officer Candidates

The following individuals have been nominated for SCCTM office. Biographies and voting information will be available on the website at a later date.

Vice President Secondary: Machell Sprauve, Alva White

Secretary: Brantley Cohens, DebraRunyon, Rachael Smilowitz

NCTM Representative: Christy Fricks,

Vice-President Elementary Savannah Catoe, Amanda Snipe

SCCTM Book Study: Dine and Discuss

The first Dine & Discuss event took place Thursday, Feb 20th and the second will take place on September 17th. During the months between the two in-person meetings, we will support a discussion thread on the [SCCTM.org](http://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. Link to Forum: <http://scctm.org/page-1860374>

[More Details](#)

Resources for virtual/online learning

In light of the announcement for school closings across the state and the movement of virtual learning becoming a necessity, we want to collaborate and share free, developmentally appropriate materials for our colleagues. We have asked for posts of links to these materials on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/SCCTM/>

At Home Math Activities

Transform the home into a math learning lab, using the architecture and everyday items in your home. Sponsored by STEMteachersNYC.

<https://facebook.com/events/s/free-k-8-home-math-learning-la/525761271434235/?ti=icl>