CULVER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS CORPORATION
REQUEST FOR PROFESSIONAL LEAVE
Revised 9-16

Date: 1/7/2021

Received
Date: 1/8/21

To: Superintendent/Board of school Trustees

Re: Permission to Attend Professional Meetings

I hereby request permission to attend the professional meeting described below:

1. Name of Conference Indiana STEM Education Conference 2021

2. Place of Conference Virtual

3. Dates of Conference January 14, 2021

Date	Time
Departure: 1/14/2021	8:30
Return: 1/14/2021	3:00

4. Expected values to be received at Conference: 4 strands of STEM Education will be addressed: STEM Instructional strategies, STEM curriculum, STEM Career Exposure, STEM education research

5. Estimated Professional Expenses (itemized)
   a. Meals (itemized bill required-no alcoholic beverages) _____
   b. Lodging _____
   c. Mileage _____
   d. Registration Fees (receipt/invoice required) $50
   *Turn request in to Coordinator (if applicable) or Building Principal
   ** If requesting a check for registration, indicate vendor and amount needed

Vendor Name_____Check Amount_____
***The registration form and check will be returned to you to complete your registration

6. Request filed: 1/7/2021   Stacey Pratt
                   (Date)   (Staff Member)
   Total Estimated Expenses $50

7. Name of special fund to be paid from (if applicable): Stem grant
8. Recommended: _____   _____
   Not recommended: _____   (Coordinator)

9. Should substitute be paid from this fund: YES or NO

10. Request recommended: ✓   _____
    Not recommended: _____   (Principal)

11. Superintendent approval:
    Approved: ✓   _____
    Not approved: _____   (Superintendent)

*Itemized claim and receipts must be filed in the **Superintendent's Office** before reimbursement can be made.
Approval is only for that which is in accordance with Board policies relating to conference leave and reimbursement.

Indiana STEM Education Conference 2021

The sixth-annual **Indiana STEM Education Conference** will be held VIRTUALLY on Thursday, January 14, 2021. The Center for Advancing the Teaching and Learning of STEM (CATALYST) and the Purdue University College of Education are proud sponsors of the conference.

The conference will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 3:00 p.m.

The goal of the Indiana STEM Education Conference is to support K-12 STEM learning opportunities by sharing effective practices on teaching and learning. This year the theme is "STEM Education meets a Global Challenge." Since many teachers and schools are working hard to provide STEM instruction during the COVID-19 pandemic, there will be conference sessions that will focus on providing instruction virtually and in social-distancing situations.

There will be three session strands to strategically address STEM education: STEM Instructional Strategies, STEM Curriculum, and STEM Career Exposure. A fourth strand, STEM Education Research, will provide an opportunity for research poster sessions. Because many teachers and schools are facing challenges with instruction related to the pandemic, we encourage presenters to submit proposals related to virtual learning and social-distancing, as well as those which do not. Click on the Proposals tab (above) if you are interested in presenting at the conference.

Strand 1: STEM Instructional Strategies

Strand 1 will include presentations focused on research/evidence-based strategies for teaching and learning STEM. Strategies presented should align with problem/project/inquiry-based STEM instruction. Examples of topics for this strand include (but are not limited to): questioning strategies; engaging students in discussions; modeling and engineering design approaches; promoting reasoning and critical thinking; supporting STEM content and language development for English language learners; engaging families and/or communities to enrich STEM instruction; and utilizing formal and informal assessment strategies.

Strand 2: STEM Curriculum

Strand 2 will include presentations focused on effective K-12 STEM curriculum, particularly integrated STEM curriculum for K-12 classrooms. Examples of topics for this strand include (but are not limited to): integrated STEM curriculum development; curriculum units or activities for teaching STEM content and practices; resources for evidence-based STEM curriculum; STEM curricular material evaluation tools; and strategies for implementing integrated STEM curriculum.

Strand 3: STEM Career Exposure

Strand 3 will include presentations focused on preparing K-12 students with the essential skills they need to find, acquire, and grow within a STEM career. Examples of topics for this strand include (but are not limited to): how to create/sustain robust STEM-related business and industry partnerships; examples of mutually beneficial partnerships between K-12 schools and business and industry; STEM career exploration in early grades; STEM college and career readiness; designing STEM-related work-based learning experiences; and resources for promoting STEM-based careers in STEM instruction.

Strand 4: STEM Education Research

Strand 4 will include poster presentations focused on research findings that support K-12 STEM education. Poster presentations will be published as proceedings through Purdue e-Pubs. STEM education research may include empirical studies, conceptual or position papers, or reviews of literature.

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General Options

Name:
Stacey Pratt

Title:

Company/School:
Culver Community Schools

Address:
401 School St

Culver, Indiana 46511

Number of People Registered:
1

Confirmation Number:
L5NY593CXCK (needed to modify your registration)

Event Title:
Indiana STEM Education Conference 2021

Location:
Purdue University

West Lafayette, Indiana 47906

USA

Date:
01/14/2021

Time:
9:00 AM

Current Registration Details

Stacey Pratt

Agenda Items

Registration Item	Cost
Event Registration	$50.00

Order Summaries

Order

Date	Type	Invoice #	Amt Ordered	Amt Paid	Amt Due
01/07/2021 10:02 AM ET	offline order	46290-1593-0347-0351	$50.00	$0.00	$50.00
Total:			**$50.00**	**$0.00**	**$50.00**

Payment Details

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Agenda

Time	Session
8:30 to 9:15	Opening
9:15 to 10:00	Session one
10:00 to 10:45	Exhibitor session one
10:45 to 11:30	Session two
11:30 to 12:00	Lunch Break
12:00 to 12:45	Keynote speaker
12:45 to 1:30	Session three
1:30 to 2:15	Exhibitor session two
2:15 to 3:00	Session four

*More information to follow on specific talks and Speakers