

Call for Presenters!

The 23rd Annual New England

Christa McAuliffe Technology Conference ~ 2009

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-  **Demonstrate** the USE OF TECHNOLOGY to engage students and improve achievement.
-  **Conduct** a Professional Skills Development Center Hands-on Workshop Session, offered on-site during day and evening sessions.

Visit the conference website at www.nhcmtc.org for more information.

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CMTC Presentation Opportunities

2009 CHRISTA MCAULIFFE TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE themes:

Engaging & Exciting Learning ~ Authentic & Innovative Ideas in the Classroom

Emerging Technologies ~ Web 2.0, eLearning, & Anywhere Access

21st Century Skills & Global Citizenship ~ Moving Forward

Student Data & Decisions that Impact Instruction

Each year, educators and administrators from across New England and beyond gather at the Christa McAuliffe Technology Conference to bring practical applications back to their districts.

★ ★ ★ Invitation to Submit a 2009 Proposal ★ ★ ★

You are invited to submit a proposal(s) for a presentation at the 2009 Christa McAuliffe Technology Conference. This year's conference offers participants a wide variety of presentation options. Please review the selection of opportunities listed below. Individuals representing all academic disciplines, all instructional levels and all aspects of instructional technology are encouraged to submit proposals.

You may submit more than one proposal.

Submissions are due by May 29, 2009.

★ ★ ★ One-Hour Concurrent Conference Sessions ★ ★ ★

✓ 100 Opportunities Available

The **1-hour presentations** occur during the four concurrent session time blocks on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. You are invited to submit a proposal for a multi-media presentation, project presentation, panel discussion or other type of activity that significantly promotes the conference themes. We are looking for approximately 100 presenters for these sessions. Presenters are encouraged to incorporate digital resources and instructional technologies as a component of their session and to emphasize the impact on student achievement.

★ ★ ★ Thursday Share-A-Thon Sessions ★ ★ ★

✓ 20 Opportunities Available

In keeping with our conference themes, the 2009 **Share-A-Thon** highlights Web 2.0 resources that engage and empower students to enhance learning. We are seeking approximately 20 presenters to demonstrate technology-enhanced projects using online interactive tools such as podcasts, vodcasts, blogs, wikis, social networking, video libraries (for example TeacherTube or Google Video), any of the Google document production tools, or online conferencing (skype) to get students excited about and involved in their learning. Tell us about your projects that engage the students in authentic learning that allows them to be authors and contributors on your local intranet or the Internet. Share your strategies for managing these tools and keeping your students safe. For ninety minutes on Thursday afternoon, attendees walk around and chat with **Share-A-Thon** presenters at their mini-booths (like a science fair). The rest of the day is for you to enjoy the conference offerings. The process is relaxed, comfortable and easy for all parties involved. The **Share-A-Thon** reflects the conference's priority of offering effective staff development framed by classroom best practices of New Hampshire's outstanding educators.

*The foundation behind the Share-A-Thon is very simple --
educators sharing with educators in a casual, "interest fair" style format.*

★★★ Two- and Three-Hour Hands-on or Large Group Work Sessions (PSDC) ★★★

✓ 30 Opportunities Available

These **1.5 hour, 2-hour, and 3-hour sessions** comprise the **Professional Skills Development Center (PSDC)**, which provides intensive, hands-on (or large group) workshop sessions, on-site at the conference facility. Due to their popularity, we are scheduling these hands-on (or large group) workshop sessions beginning Monday and continuing throughout the conference. We will be able to provide both Windows and Macintosh labs for the **Hands-on Professional Skills Development Center (PSDC)** sessions.

Throughout the conference, the program seeks to feature presentations highlighting our 2009 conference themes. Please consider submitting proposals that address the suggested topics below:

➔ *Engaging & Exciting Learning ~ Authentic & Innovative Ideas in the Classroom*

- Activities that get students excited about and engaged in learning across all content areas
- Project-based learning that links math, science, technology to address the “need to be green”
- Interdisciplinary units and authentic projects that bring meaning to learning
- Graphing calculators, spreadsheet, and database integration, putting it all together
- Handheld computing in math and science classes using probeware and sensors
- Strategies for creating exciting and SAFE learning environments using Internet resources

➔ *Emerging Technologies ~ Web 2.0, eLearning, & Anywhere Access*

- Ideas that explore and integrate the power and potential of new technologies
- One-to-one access and on-demand learning for students and staff
- Web 2.0 resources, blogs, podcasts, and wikis, what are the benefits? What are the challenges?
- Virtual learning, distance learning, and other innovative instructional practices
- Artificial intelligence, robotics, virtual reality, and future trends in educational technology
- Strategies to support eLearning and creating virtual learning communities
- High-speed web access combined with convergence and consolidation, where are we headed?
- eReaders, iPods, mini-laptops, Wii ~ what are you experimenting with and what are the results?
- Online learning opportunities for administrators, teachers, and staff, what works?

➔ *21st Century Skills & Global Citizenship ~ Moving Forward*

- Aligning ICT literacy skills with content standards and technology skills
- Information literacy ~ finding, evaluating, analyzing, and using information, today’s challenge
- Options for assessing ICT literacy skills and monitoring mastery, including portfolios
- Legal and ethical implications for students and teachers in a global learning community
- Developing student portfolios and strategies for managing digital artifacts
- Strategies for updating your Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) to address emerging technologies
- Preparing our students for a global economy, integrating ICT literacy skills into the curriculum
- Successful participation in global learning communities, helping students become contributors

➔ *Student Data & Decisions that Impact Instruction*

- Show how teachers are using student assessment data to guide daily instructional practice
- Strategies for getting the most from Performance Pathways
- Link assessment data to teaching and learning strategies and resources
- Special education solutions, helping ALL students achieve Adequate Yearly Progress
- Data warehouses, decision-support systems, learning management systems, strategies for pulling the data together via portals and web-based solutions
- Policy and legal issues related to student information and assessment data

It is the conference's goal to feature choices each day that address these critically important topics, highlight examples of successful practices, and share practical ideas.

HINT FOR PRESENTERS:

Teachers who wish to highlight a specific software application during their session are encouraged to seek the sponsorship of our local software distributors. The distributor may be willing to help pay for conference expenses, such as handouts, travel, hotel, and/or provide you with price sheets, samples, and demonstration disks. Our conference database of exhibitors contains information on many companies. Please feel free to contact Lucile at lucile@nhsaa.org for the name and contact information of our New England sales representatives.

Information for Presenters

★ ★ ★ Presenter Benefits ★ ★ ★

- ◆ **1-hour concurrent** and **Share-A-Thon session presenters** receive 1 free registration (includes lunch) to the conference on the day of their presentation. If a session is selected to be repeated, you receive a second free registration.
- ◆ **2-hour PSDC Work Session presenters** have the option of a \$50.00 honorarium OR 1 free conference registration (includes lunch) on the day of their choice. Lunch is also provided for presenters on the day of their session (meal not included for evening or Monday session presenters).
- ◆ **3-hour PSDC Work Session presenters** have the option of a \$100.00 honorarium OR 2 free conference registrations (includes lunches) on another conference day of their choice. Lunch is also provided for morning and afternoon presenters on the day of their session.

*Please note: The conference is able to provide these registration benefits for a maximum of Two (2) presenters for each session. (Additional presenters must register for the conference.)
The honorarium is only available for One (1) presenter and is given in lieu of any Free days.*

★ ★ ★ Presenter Responsibilities ★ ★ ★

All presenters are responsible for the following:

- ◆ copies of **participant handouts** as needed* including, but not limited to:
 1. abstract of the presentation including your name and school/group contact information
 2. list of the hardware and software needed to replicate the project
 3. sample(s) of student generated project work, if applicable

*Presenters are encouraged to post their handouts and student samples in the Conference Extensions section of the CMTC website to save on duplication costs and natural resources as appropriate.
- ◆ **computer/peripherals/software** required for your presentation (**a projection device to connect to your computer, screen, TV/VCR, and/or Internet connection are available upon prior request**)
PLEASE NOTE: Internet access will be available but projection devices are not provided for Share-A-Thon sessions.
- ◆ **web-site/e-mail references** for participants to acquire further information or a more detailed abstract of your presentation

★ ★ ★ Submitting, Deadlines, and Details ★ ★ ★

Proposal Deadline: Proposals must be submitted using the online system by **May 29, 2009**. Notification of acceptance will be emailed by **July 10, 2009**.

Submitting Your Proposal: Proposals must be submitted using the **online Call for Presentations process**. It's as easy as 1, 2, 3 . . .

- 1) Go to www.nhcmtc.org.
- 2) From the home page click on **Presenters in the Green Menu Bar at the Top of the Page**.
- 3) **Follow the directions** for each step of the proposal process.
- 4) You will receive an email confirming receipt of your proposal.

You may also download a copy of this **Call for Presenters Brochure** at the conference Web Site:

<http://www.nhcmtc.org>

Questions??? Please feel free to email Lucile Moses at lucile@nhsaa.org
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