

Dear Colleague:

We are pleased to have you and your students attending the Annual Missouri Regional Junior Science, Engineering and Humanities Symposium. We have planned a variety of activities for you and your students over the three-day period, March 15, 16, and 17. The program is scheduled to start promptly at 1:00 p.m., Thursday, March 15, with registration beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the J.C. Penney Building lobby on the University of Missouri-St. Louis campus.

The Crowne Plaza Hotel (11228 Lone Eagle Drive, I-70 and Lindbergh, 314-291-6700) will provide check-in service at the J.C. Penney Lobby. Teachers may get your room key and that of your students on Thursday afternoon during your workshop break on the UM-St. Louis campus. Check-out time is 1:00 p.m.; therefore, your room may not have been serviced when you arrive at the hotel. The hotel requests your patience in this matter. Students are assigned rooms with students from their own school whenever possible; otherwise, they are assigned rooms on a semi-random basis to maximize peer communication and exchange of ideas. If you are unable to receive your key at the J.C. Penney Building you may check in at the hotel after 4:30 p.m. on Thursday.

It is the teacher-sponsor's responsibility to see that students have transportation between the hotel and campus. The location of the UM-St. Louis campus with respect to main highways can be found by following the accompanying maps. You may park your car in parking lot C (sign indicates continuing education parking). If you are bringing a bus, please park it on ground level in parking lot C or at the loading dock of the J.C. Penney Building. A sticker for this purpose is enclosed. Please affix it in the left rear window of your car.

Upon arrival at the campus, go directly to the J.C. Penney Building for registration. The registration booth will be located on the ground floor lobby. Upon registration, you will receive a packet of materials including the detailed program of events, a field trip ticket, and student department tour ticket. Field trip and student departmental tour tickets will be distributed on a random basis. Activities are scheduled from 6:30 a.m. until 9:30 p.m. each evening, and we tightly scheduled events so you will want to refer to the program frequently. We have enclosed an abridged program to be used as a rough guide for planning your trip to and from the Symposium.

Participants should be aware that some field trips have dress codes and do not allow visitors to wear open-toed shoes. There will be swimming facilities available at the hotel. The program dress is comfortable and casual but participants typically dress professionally (coat and tie) at the dinners, especially the banquet on Friday.

We are looking forward to working with you and your students in developing and fostering the concept of science.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures