Millard Oakley STEM CENTER

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STEM UnConference

Sponsored by Tennessee Board of Regents, Tennessee Tech University & TN-SCORE

Monday, October 17, 2011 | 8:30am-3:30pm

The Tennessee Board of Regents, Tennessee Tech University, and TN-SCORE welcome educators, researchers and administrators from across the state to attend a STEM UnConference – a relaxed sharing of ideas focused on STEM education and STEM research.

Discussion leaders include Dr. Sandra Welch of the National Science Foundation, Program Director for Informal Science Education (ISE); Mr. Robert Lippincott, Senior Vice President for Education with PBS; Ms. Becky Magura, President & CEO of WCTE: Upper Cumberland Public Television; and Dr. Ada Haynes, co-Principal Investigator for the NSF funded Critical Thinking Assessment Test (CAT).

In the Morning

Explore current models and success stories of research dissemination, the development of a national PBS digital learning library, how researchers and educational institutions can partner with local PBS affiliates to produce accessible and engaging projects/programming – dare to fill your mind with the exciting possibilities.

Journey with three leading researchers affiliated with the TN-SCORE statewide project as they and their STEM research presentations (designed for K-12 teachers and students) face the “Dragon’s Den” of review – find out from the pros how to really engage an audience.

In the Afternoon

Calm your whirling mind during a tasty lunch then dive into lively UnConference break-out sessions. The first Annual TBR Research Conference in March 2011 shook loose some key areas of concern with STEM-related researchers in the state.

The UnConference follows-up and maybe even hopes to solve some of the concerns with engaging, facilitated conversations. By sharing ideas, resources, and through collaborative design, STEM research + STEM Education in Tennessee will thrive.

Registration Deadline: Monday, October 10th
COST: $15 per person, includes lunch
Register using the Oakley STEM Center’s online MarketPlace Store on the event web page: http://www.tntech.edu/stem/stem-unconference/