

Resources and opportunities email – 9/1/15

1) After observing confusion around connecting “literacy” with science, I’ve written two blog posts in an attempt to help delineate: 1) using literacy skills in science, 2) disciplinary literacy in science, and 3) scientific literacy. I’d welcome your feedback and comments!

a. Definitions: <http://wisdpiscience.blogspot.com/2015/08/making-sense-of-literacy-in-science.html>

b. Example lessons integrating these ideas: <http://wisdpiscience.blogspot.com/2015/09/two-annotated-lessons-to-show-how.html>

2) Useful chemistry resource from Nancy Smith (Waterford): <http://www.rsc.org/learn-chemistry>

3) If you want to read the latest updates from DPI to administrators, emails and mailings are archived on this site: <http://dpi.wi.gov/administrators> For example, the “[E-Mail Chrono](#)” link has the latest letter to district administrators about how the state budget affects policy for this year (Aug 20).

4) While I announced it previously, in case you missed it, DPI officially announced this year’s PAEMST finalists for science, Juan Botella and Candice Behnke! Congratulations!
<http://dpi.wi.gov/news/releases/2015/six-educators-are-wisconsin-finalists-presidential-teaching-awards>

5) Nominate yourself and/or another 3rd to 5th grade teacher you know for the Mickelson ExxonMobil Teaching Academy next summer. It’s basically an all-expense-paid math and science summer camp for teachers! <http://www.sendmyteacher.com/>

6) DPI is looking for feedback on the structure and content for the new “WISELearn” educator portal for instructional resources. Please, take a moment and fill out this survey:
<https://docs.google.com/a/dpi.wi.gov/forms/d/1LWKjwWkwp-gKahQqYxQ6cSjN8taLbjZ5aj9qs0zki5A/viewform>