



Hello,

Apologies for another email so soon. I forgot two important things. **First, please go vote today!** Second, WSST and I are collaborating on a couple forums to review and network around science instructional materials again this fall. See details below. As a bonus #3, I've added a compelling resource on science fairs I just heard about...

Cheers,  
Kevin

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### Learning Opportunities

- WSST/DPI Science Instructional Materials Forums

WSST and DPI are partnering on Instructional Materials Forums on December 4th at Whitnall HS (near Milwaukee) and Dec 13th at Mosinee HS (near Wausau). Both days will be 9am to 3pm. Please, fill out this form to register for these networking and professional learning sessions - <https://goo.gl/forms/dar4L94xc1htLBQN2>

We will take time to network around current district work by grade level, dig into some materials together, and determine what alignment to the standards really looks like in materials. There will be elements of professional learning and sharing. \*Note: non-WSST members should bring check payment of \$25 on the day of the event or become a member for \$25 before the event. It's free for WSST members.

### Resources

- Science Fair Movie

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/films/science-fair/host-a-screening> - You may have seen trailers for the new National Geographic documentary, *Science Fair*. It looks like a compelling story of a few students doing some exciting science. You can sign up at this site to receive the DVD and host a screening at your school. I must admit that I do have some misgivings about traditional science fairs - I think all students should be engaged in authentic, project-based learning where they're making sense of phenomena and solving real-world problems. That's what should be happening in science classes! That work can be relevant and motivational to all (almost all?) students. They should share that work with others to make it real. A traditional science fair might be the best venue for sharing for all, but it's one venue that connects to some kids. [Here's a link to the preview.](#)

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“Remember to look up at the stars and not at your feet. Try to make sense of what you see and wonder about what makes the universe exist. Be curious.” – Stephen Hawking

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