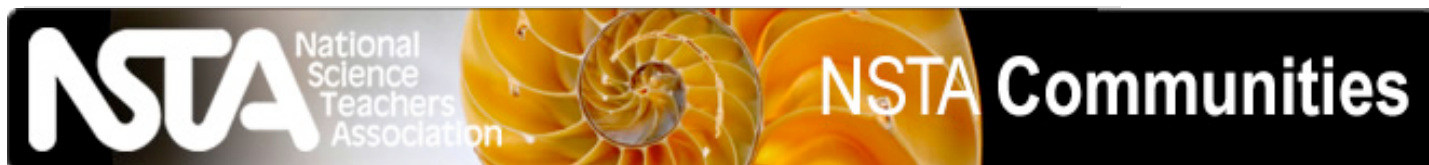


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**Welcome to NSTA Communities,
your online professional networking tool!**

What's New. Week of 7/27/2009

Check out the conversation going on in Mentors and Advisors about first year mentoring--key issues and ideas are being shared about this vitally important aspect to teacher retention!

Many continuing conversations are going on regarding the recently concluded National Congress on Science Education. This is NSTA's annual event by, for, and about its extensive network of [Chapters and Associated Groups](#) known as the [National Congress on Science Education](#), or NCSE.

Most workshop presenters have posted their presentations in the NCSE Group's Resources section. Also, please do take some time to review the vital Issue Forums that formed the core discussions around which many resolutions were drafted and adopted. These issues are central to science education improvement and we want every voice to be heard! Shortly we will post the progress and results of how the resolutions moved through Congress, our Council, and then on to the Board.

--Make sure to keep checking *New and Noteworthy*, which will have resources posted in its forum area that are related to items which NSTA receives that might be of interest to our members. Join it, check the forums and resources often--the resources are generating lots of forum discussions!

Tip of the Week:

Remember that forums are for discussions and text posting, and resources for each group are for posting "stuff:" documents, powerpoints, images, etc.

Including a hyperlink in a forum post? You can make it click-able by highlighting it with your mouse, clicking on the box with the http:// in it, pasting your link, and then pressing the underline button to let people know that it's a "live" link. It's that easy!

To learn more about how to use these communities, make sure to view the introductory webinar at www.nsta.org/communities.

Not sure where to start? Click on Connections/Search on the left navigation bar and begin to find other educators who share your interests. Is your profile complete? It only takes about 5 minutes to complete, and the more words you've chosen, the more matches you're likely to get on the Connections/Search screen!

Browse through the groups, join those that interest you, start forum discussions, post resources--these are your communities, so what you put into it determines what you get out!

[Renew Your Membership!](#)

Now is the time to insure that you don't miss a single journal issue or one minute of the time you use to network and build professional connections here in these online communities. Click the link above to renew your membership and insure that NSTA stays in your corner for your science education career!

About these communities

Connect with others involved in science education. Learn what values and interests you share. Get and offer help in a host of topic areas. Your profile information helps us match you with colleagues who have similar interests. Don't worry, you can change your profile as often as you like, keeping pace with your own evolution as a science education professional!

If you would like to meet your top matches, join a new group, reply to a forum or explore a resource, click [here](#) to login.



My Top 10 Matches

- Olga Hunt
- Carrie Sherwood
- Diane Madden
- Virginia Bennett
- Fred Hotel
- Linda Kralina
- Antonietta Quinn
- Cris Dewolf
- Ruth Knight
- Patricia Smith



New Members in the Last Week (showing 20 of 80)

- Guy McKee
- Jeannine Kantz
- Joan Anthony
- Randall Emry
- Carolyn Volkmer
- Alana Hayman
- Thomas Galloway
- Sena Camarata
- Brenda Zabel
- Donna Pattison
- Gevonne Blum
- Gary Scarpinato

- Christine Bertko
- Thomas Durwood
- Scott Orshan
- Cynthia Bancroft
- Debra Bay-Borelli
- Jose Aguilar-Batres
- Karen Huddleston
- Russell Kohnken



Top 10 Community Tags

- Collaboration
- Creativity
- Hands-on Experiences
- Lifelong Learning
- Inquiry
- Asking Questions
- Biology
- Science Literacy
- Hands-on Activities
- High (Grades 9-12)



New Groups

- Nebraska Association of Teachers of Science (NATS)
- North Dakota Science Teachers Association (NDSTA)
- Georgia DOE Learning Center Group



New Forums and Threads

- Sustained Learning in Professional Development
- Conversations on Resources

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