



California Mathematics Council Southern Section

California Mathematics Council – Southern Section 60th Annual Conference

Thank you for your interest in submitting a proposal to speak at the CMC-Southern Section Annual Conference, November 15 – 16, 2019, in Palm Springs. The theme is ***Building Beauty and Brilliance in our Mathematics Communities***.

This conference is a major event in California mathematics education each year. As usual the conference will feature two full-days of 90-minute workshops on Friday and Saturday. This year, we expect nearly 300 workshops attended by over 3500 teachers, administrators, teacher educators, and teacher leaders.

Every session is 90 minutes and speakers are encouraged to make their presentations an interactive workshop. Sessions will be held at four sites (Palm Springs Convention Center, Renaissance Hotel, Hilton Hotel and Zoso Hotel). We invite proposals for workshops that focus on the mathematics content and pedagogy for their respective levels, and we ask that the title and description of your workshop highlight the mathematics content that will be included and relate directly to the theme and the suggestions in this letter.

Please consider the following questions when crafting your proposal.

- **How do you contribute as a member of the mathematics community?**
Teacher, trainer, researcher, administrator, advocate, coach, author
- **Which math community is your workshop going to build up?**
PLCs, classroom teachers, advocacy leaders, math coaches, parents, site or district administrators, underrepresented communities
- **How will your workshop build Beauty for everyone in that community?**
The joy of doing math, horizontal and vertical connections of math, developing ideas and teachers, growth mindset, real-life connections, multiple representations and solution methods, logic and proof
- **How will your workshop build Brilliance for everyone in that community?**
Illuminating ideas, solving problems, deepen understanding of content, progressions of math topics, productive struggle, inspiration, inventiveness, math for all learners
- **How does your workshop advocate for and build inclusiveness of mathematics learning for all?**
Access, equity, identity, UDL, students with learning differences, language learners

The program committee will be looking for specific evidence related to these prompts, the CCSS Standards for Mathematical Practice, the CCSS Mathematics Content Standards, and Access, Equity, Empowerment, and/or Social Justice when reviewing proposals and deciding whether a proposal is accepted. The Program Committee reviews hundreds of proposals and is looking to create a balanced and well-rounded program meeting the needs of new and experienced teachers at every grade level.

Consider writing a thoughtful and provoking Title and Description that grabs the attention of attendees and make them want to attend your workshop. There will be follow up questions for the Program Committee to read to gain a deeper understanding in what you plan on having your participants doing during your workshop.

All proposals will be thoroughly read and considered when creating a well-balanced program. Not all workshops can be accepted. Some strong proposals may not be accepted into our program so as to create a balanced and full program that meets the needs of our attendees and matches our theme of the conference.

We are pleased to help offset speakers' expenses as an expression of our appreciation for your time and effort in preparing and presenting a workshop. For each accepted workshop, the **Lead Speaker** is entitled to the following:

- Registration: A discount of \$145 (for CA presenters, \$195 for out-of-state presenters) toward conference registration.
- Travel: Up to \$400 (CA presenters, \$500 for out-of-state presenters) to use towards travel expenses (round trip coach airfare from home only OR \$0.50/mile round-trip driven; taxi/shuttle).
- Supplies: Up to \$65 (or \$100 for workshops in large rooms) for printing or supplies for each workshop.
- We do not offer reimbursement for food, hotel, or substitutes.

Lead speakers may have up to one Co-Speaker. After a proposal has been submitted, Lead Speaker and/or Co-Speaker names may *not* be changed. The one **Co-Speaker** is entitled to the same discount on Registration as the Lead Speaker. The one **Co-Speaker** is not entitled to any other Travel or Supply benefits.

If you are exhibiting or selling merchandise at the conference, as well as presenting, we will not be able to reimburse you for your travel expenses. We will offer **Commercially Sponsored Speakers** a discount of \$105 toward conference registration and up to \$65 for printing and supplies.

Please be sure to indicate on the proposal form if there is a commercially available product that is an integral part of your workshop. We realize that there are many products available that are important to and useful for mathematics teaching and learning. However, it is important that participants be made aware when they will be included in a workshop. CMC maintains this policy to address concerns that have been expressed at past conferences.

All speaker proposals are to be completed online. **Deadline for proposals is April 15, 2019.** Please complete your proposal at www.cmc-south.org

We hope you will be able to join us for this exciting conference. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us. Speakers will be notified of the status of their proposal by May 30th.

Sincerely,
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