

SAVE THE DATE: Monday, June 29, 2009
SHARE YOUR STRATEGIES ON:
Improving University Scientist Participation in K-12 Education

Dear Colleagues in K-12 Science Education:

The next brown bag lunch event for the American Physiological Society's *Seminar Series on Sharing Strategies in K-12 Education* is scheduled for **Monday, June 29th** on the FASEB campus. The theme will be on: ***Improving University Scientist Participation in K-12 Education***.

You are invited to share your society's or organization's program of involving scientists in K-12 education at the June brown bag seminar. Consider the following questions in framing a brief presentation for the seminar:

- What are your organization's objectives for encouraging scientist participation?
- How are your member scientists are involved?
- What are your recruitment methods?
- What are the greatest challenges in improving scientist participation?
- What stakeholders are important in providing support?
- What is your program's measure of effectiveness or impact?
- What resources are produced?
- What/who are your funding sources?

Join the following invited speakers to identify strategies that work:

- **Michael J. Dougherty, Ph.D.**, Director of Education
The American Society of Human Genetics
- **Ida Chow, Ph.D.**, Executive Officer, Society for Developmental Biology
- **Jennifer B. Presley, Ph.D.**, Director, Science & Mathematics Education Policy
Association of Public and Land-grant Universities

An interactive discussion will take place after the presentations. The participants and audience will collectively discuss issues related to scientist outreach/partnership programs for the K-12 population in order to capture best practices and innovative strategies. In this manner, a cross-cutting operational tool will be produced and shared for designing, improving, and evaluating how to encourage university scientist participation in K-12 education.

If you would like to present your scientist outreach/partnership program, please send a 1/2 - 1 page description (11 font, 1" margins, Word document preferred). Include your name, position, organization, title and website (if available) of your program. Four to five speakers will present, but all presentation submissions will be compiled and shared with the attendees at the meeting. Directly email your program description to Mel Limson in the APS Education Office: mlimson@the-aps.org **no later than Thursday, May 28th**. Speakers will be notified around Tuesday, June 2nd, and publicity/free registration will begin shortly thereafter for the June 29th event.

Program information will be posted at:

<http://www.frontiersinphys.org/pages/page04g.shtml>