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Dear Educators,

The Smithsonian Science Education Center (SSEC) would like to officially invite you to attend our 2025 Science Education Summit at Howard University, 2400 6th St NW, Washington, DC 20059 between March 21 – 23, 2025 to engage in critical conversations toward the development of innovative solutions to address the shortage in the STEM teaching workforce.

This education summit, sponsored by Shell USA, Inc. is hosted annually by the Smithsonian and has supported over 130 teams to create strategies to broaden access to opportunities for underutilized talent in STEM classrooms through more inclusive and culturally relevant hiring and retention practices.

At the Summit, teams of educators from various regions across the nation embrace their roles as change agents to create logic models for attracting and retaining STEM teachers from underrepresented populations at the school, district, or state-level.

All participants residing more than 50 miles from the event venue will receive roundtrip travel and lodging at the Royal Sonesta Hotel, 2121 P Street NW, Washington DC 20037, provided by the Smithsonian for each day of the Summit. *(If your travel itinerary requires you to arrive one day prior or leave one day after the Summit, lodging will be provided by the Smithsonian for those additional night stays in Washington, DC as well).*

Regarding meals, dinner will be provided on Friday, March 21, 2025. Breakfast and lunch will be provided each day of the Summit, thereafter.

Please let me know if you have any remaining questions. I look forward to engaging with you all in Washington, DC.

Sincerely,

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