STEM TRAINING AUGUST 2-6, 2014 – YAKIMA INSERVICE EVALUATION SUMMARY

Objectives

- For Science, Math, Engineering, and Technology Instructors
- Learning Goals: Safety Tests, Technology Challenges, Design, Testing, Integration, Sample Frameworks
- Take-Aways: Catapult Challenge, CO2 Dragster Design, Structures, Solar Transportation

Please rate the conference using the following legend (circle one only):

5 = Excellent 4 = Very Good 3 = Good 2 = Fair 1 = Poor

1.	The extent to which the written objectives have been met.					4.71	
2.	Participant perception of relevance and quality of the conference.					4.86	
3.	The extent to which the following activities addressed by the conference hav	ive been met:					
	a. Opportunities for participants to collect and analyze evidence related to student learning.					4.67	
	b. Professional certificate standards.					4.47	
	c. School and district improvement efforts.					4.55	
	d. K-12 frameworks and curriculum alignment.					4.38	
	e. Research-based instructional strategies and assessment practices.					4.48	
	f. Content of current or anticipated assignment.					4.67	
	g. Advocacy for students and leadership, supervision, mentoring/coaching.					4.71	
	h. Building a collaborative learning community.					4.90	
4.	The quality of the physical facilities.					4.90	
5.	The quality of the oral presentations.					4.67	
6.	The quality of the written program materials.					4.70	
7.	Opening Session					4.62	
8.	General Session					4.75	
9.	Closing Session					4.64	
10	. Overall Conference Experience					4.81	
11	. Do you plan to attend next year in Yakima, August 9-12, 2015?		Yes 100%		No		

General Comments or suggestions for improving the conference:

STEM was exceptional - best one I have been at.

Repeat the workshop 2015.

The days just flew by! Great professional development packet with great stuff! Gene, Jim, James, and all did a great job.

Excellent facility and instructors, pacing good, but could have packed more in.

Small miscommunication, I was one day late, I was not informed the class started on Saturday the 2nd instead of Sunday the 3rd.

Nice job.

Great workshop! Do it again.

Great format / hands-on sharing.

Wish we had received a list of sources for materials. Program was excellent.

STEM classes were fantastic. Rich projects and supporting materials. Great to see the additional material from classmates.

This STEM engineering segment was outstanding - the quality of instructors was bar none.

This was a great idea and I would hope that the training can occur again next year.

Practical applications were awesome. Suggest making first two days for "newbies" and have others attend last two days.

I enjoyed the training, but I would have liked to have attended the conference and see the exhibits at least for half a day.

Need time to visit vendors. Variations each year can make this sustainable. Us teaching us is great! Builds collaboration.

Maybe be able to register for each day individually so I can attend other sessions at the main conference as well.

This was great! I would recommend repeating the same five days for a new group of people, but add another two days of different projects for us to come to each year.

For STEM training, more computer work would be nice for us who do not just do woodshop, programming, code.org

The hands-on experience was fantastic. I wouldn't want to come back and do the exact same thing though. I wonder if for next year, there could be a couple of days for new people (safety, etc.), then everyone could join to experience new tech challenges.

This has been the most enjoyable conference / learning experience in a decade of learning. Bravo!

Content Comments:

Well done.

Ton of stuff! The best!

Exceptional and amazing content and instructors.

Thorough, excellent.

Very good!

Exactly what I needed. Loved the kids coming too!

Perfect intro to these five projects.

Excellent

The content was very well presented and received.

Very good/varied.

Switch solar car and bridges to allow more time for bridge building.

Time of Year Comments:

Good

Great to get you started towards the new school year.

Hot as hell.

Yea

Good

Great Sunny!

Summy:

Acceptable

This was a great way to get jump-started for a new year.

Hot

Great. Keep it.

Cost Comments:

OK - great for what you get!

Reasonable, but could have included more content.

School pays.

Fair

Paid by my CTE director.

Fair enough \$500 (lots of consumables)

Very reasonable.

It was a very good value.

Spendy, but take homes made it very worthwhile.

Appropriate cost for what I get to take home.

Workshop Comments:

Hope we do this again – very relevant!

Very practical. I learned a great deal!

Tops! Super!

Excellent

Safety - good; catapult - great!

Nice to gram new pieces later for future classes. Please keep the schedule flexible. All classes first half/second half.

Excellent

Social Event Comments:						
Great!						
BBQ too expensive, otherwise none available.						
Our group very nice.						
Program Information Comments:						
Excellent						
I will use all of this.						
Nice						
per valuable.						
Acceptable						
Exhibits Comments:						
STEM Class – didn't get to exhibits.						
Weak						
Did not see (at STEM)						
Registration Comments:						
Good						
Easy						
Easy, great.						
Easy						
Facilities Comments:						
Good						
Stanton Academy lab was perfect.						
Great facilities – Stanton Academy was great.						
Exceptional facility.						
Nice shop.						
Beautiful using Stanton Academy.						
Excellent						
Stanton was a great facility for us to sue to construct/build activities.						
Great facility.						
Fantastic. Kepi tin a tech lab like this – it's even a different (and more realistic) setting compared to a conference center.						
Convention Center Comments:						
Good						
Wasn't there much – STEM workshop at Stanton Academy.						
Great venue, excellent hosts.						
Good						
Hotel Comments:						
□ Red Lion						
☐ Howard Johnson						
Holiday Inn – conveniently located. Excellent facilities.						
Oxford Inn – hosts excellent, but rooms smell bad.						
Hilton – very nice!						
□ Ledgestone – awesome!						