



NATIONAL COUNCIL OF
TEACHERS OF MATHEMATICS

Dear Colleagues:

Thank you for considering submitting a proposal to speak at the 2016 NCTM Annual Meeting & Exposition in San Francisco. Your proposal is an important step toward the meeting's success. I hope you will take some time now to reflect carefully on what you might share with participants in your presentation.

Please note changes to our proposal process for the 2016 Annual Meeting

- All proposal reviews will be blind
- All presentations must connect to one of the below conference strands
- All presentations must include how the speaker will engage and interact with the audience
- If a presentation is deemed better suited for another format, the speaker agrees to alter the format

The Program Committee encourages proposals that address topics, ideas, issues, and strategies that contribute to participants' professional learning in the five conference strands:

- Next Generation Mathematics for ALL
- Instruction and Policies that Promote Equity and Access
- Promoting Productive Dispositions about Mathematics
- Building Capacity: Personal and Collective Professional Growth
- *Principles to Actions*: Mathematics Teaching Practices and Research

The Program Committee and NCTM staff have provided important information to guide your proposal submission. Because a peer-review process is used in proposal selection, I encourage you to look through the accompanying material and note the review questions that the Program Committee will use when reviewing proposals. Be certain to take special care in composing your title and description. The Program Committee will look for proposals that participants are likely to choose to attend; sometimes a potentially good proposal is not accepted because its description is less engaging or communicates less about what participants will do during the session than the descriptions included in other proposals.

On behalf of everyone involved in making this meeting a success, thank you for your willingness to submit a proposal and to prepare your presentation if your proposal is accepted. Please understand that the Program Committee will receive many more proposals than it can accept. Regardless of whether your proposal is accepted, I hope to see you in San Francisco for an excellent professional development and networking experience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Diane J. Briars".

Diane J. Briars
President, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics