

**The MathEd Club invites you to attend the Utah Council of Teachers of Mathematics Conference  
on Oct. 26-27 at American Fork High School.**

$$\frac{\text{Professional development} + \text{Statewide networking}}{\text{Zero cost for USU students}} = \text{Infinitely worthwhile event!}$$

– Please read carefully and respond –

**What is the time commitment?**

We will meet on Friday around 1:00pm to caravan down to American Fork. There are conference events scheduled on Friday evening from 4:30–8:30pm and Saturday morning from 8:30am–12:00noon. Those travelling in the club caravan will arrive in Logan around 2:30pm Saturday afternoon. The conference is designed for busy teachers, but if there are scheduling conflicts you are welcome to come or go for portions of either day.

**What is the money commitment?**

Thanks to the generosity of the Math Department, all the costs of the weekend will be reimbursed. This includes travel mileage, hotel accommodations, even the conference registration fee. If you save and submit itemized receipts, the experience will be essentially free.

**Do I need to be a member of UCTM to participate?**

No. In effect, the conference registration fee, which will be reimbursed to you, is what the Utah Council asks for. (However, if you choose to join the *National* Council, they do require an annual fee.)

**How will I travel there and back?**

You have several options:

- (A) You can travel on your own timetable with your own vehicle and funds.
- (B) You can arrange to drive your own car in the club caravan and be reimbursed directly for mileage but not gas (about \$0.49/mile for an estimated 230-mile round-trip = about \$115 for 4.5 hours of driving). You would assume responsibility of the occupants via your personal car insurance and some USU protection.
- (C) You can arrange to carpool with a friend/acquaintance/stranger who selected option B and be subject to their schedule, music choices, and driving habits.
- (D) We can rent USU Motorpool vehicles that would be driven by MathEd Club participants who are certified. This option has a little more hassle (we need enough drivers), but may be a bit more secure and less expensive.

**Where will I stay for the night?**

You have a few options:

- (A) You can stay with relatives/friends that live close enough for you to easily attend all the conference.
- (B) We can book hotel rooms that you can share with other same-gender conference participants. This “free” option will likely involve a double-queen, non-smoking room in a Holiday Inn Express. Keep in mind that room purchasing and assignments will be driven by gender and occupancy constraints, not necessarily your interpersonal connections, but we will try to be accommodating.
- (C) Make other arrangements, only come to one day of the conference, sleep in your car/tent, etc.

**Okay, I am more than 90% confident that I can go – what do I have to do?**

- RVSP immediately (before Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup>) by emailing club secretary Kenneth at [ken.ben@aggiemail.usu.edu](mailto:ken.ben@aggiemail.usu.edu). Include your first-last name, travel and overnight preferences. If you have travel/hotel buddies in mind, please indicate them and, as responses come in, we will arrange the best we can. Sample RSVP: *Lavta Teach, travel (C then B), overnight (B only). I don't care who I ride with, but I would prefer to stay in a hotel room with Chantelle Suarez.*
- Go to <https://utahctm.org/cms/> and create a free UCTM account. Click on *Conference Registration --> Fall 2012* and register as a student. Pay \$20 via PayPal, save/print a receipt.
- Clear your schedule from Friday, 26<sup>th</sup>, 1:00ish to Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup>, 2:30ish and wait for additional emails.