



School Science and Mathematics Association

Call for Proposals

2026 Annual Convention
Thursday-Saturday, November 5-7, 2026
Chicago, Illinois



PALMER HOUSE
17 East Monroe Street
Chicago, IL 60603

PROGRAM THEME
THE POWER OF CONNECTION: 125 YEARS OF BRIDGING MATH AND
SCIENCE

Proposal Submission Process

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2026

Proposal submission is completed electronically through the SSMA website at:

www.ssma.org/2026-convention.

If you experience difficulties submitting your proposal online, please contact the SSMA office:

E-Mail: office@ssma.org

After blind review by the program committee, you will be notified by May 1 as to whether your proposal was accepted for the Convention.

Please Note: *All presenters are required to register for the Convention by October 1st. If not registered by that date, the session will be dropped from the program.*

Session Types

THEME: The Power of Connection: 125 Years of Bridging Math and Science

Research Sessions (25 or 50 minutes): This session is designed for the presentation of a research project or study. Audience members will have time at the end of a presentation to ask questions of the presenter.

Regular Sessions (25 or 50 minutes): This session is designed to present information on projects, course innovations, program innovations or other science and mathematics initiatives. Audience members will have time at the end of a presentation to ask questions of the presenter.

Workshop Sessions (75 minutes): This session is designed to engage participants in an interactive environment to explore mathematics, science, STEM research, projects, or initiatives.

Poster Sessions: Present your research study, course innovation or other project. The poster session will last 90 minutes and consist of many presenters. Poster sessions allow attendees to speak with the presenters on a one-to-one basis.

Three Minute Thesis: Present your research and its significance in three minutes. This session is great for graduate students and other researchers who want to engage the audience in a compelling oration of their research in 180 seconds.

Proposal Requirements

LEAD PRESENTER INFORMATION

- Name: As you want it listed in the Program
- Organization
- E-Mail
- Address
- Phone

CO-PRESENTER INFORMATION (UP TO 4) – For each co-presenter, include

- Name: As you want it listed in the Program
- Affiliation
- E-Mail

PRESENTATION DESCRIPTION

- Presentation Title (100 characters or less)
- Presentation Abstract (limited to 400 characters with spaces; this is what will be in the program)
- Proposal Description (limited to 2500 characters with spaces)

PRESENTATION DETAILS

Type of Session: select one

- Research Session (25 or 50 mins)
- Regular Session (25 or 50 mins)
- Workshop Session (75 mins)
- Poster Session
- Three Minute Thesis

Target Audience: select all that apply

- PK-5 Teachers
- 6-12 Teachers
- College/University Faculty
- College/University Graduate Students
- Other

Topic/Content: Select up to 3 that apply

Assessment
Curriculum
Informal Education
Integration
International

Inquiry
Learning
Mathematics
Research
Science

Teacher Education
Teaching
Technology
Professional Development

Technology

- Projectors with HDMI connections will be provided for every session for use with your laptop computer.
- Computers will **NOT** be provided, so please bring your own if you need one.
- Any other special equipment will be the responsibility of the speaker.