

2026 SD STEM Ed Conference			February 5, 6, & 7, 2026			Saturday Schedule at a Glance											
Room	Lobby	Exhibit Hall	Prairie A	Prairie B	Prairie C	Dakota A	Dakota B	Dakota C	Dakota D	Dakota E	Dakota F	Dakota G	Dakota H	Symposium	Salon		
7:00 AM		7:00 AM - 3:30 PM Visit Exhibitors			Breakfast for SD PAEMST State Level Finalists and Past Awardees Allen Hogie & Ann Anderson											7:00 AM	
8:00 - 8:50 AM		Registration	More Feedback, Less Grading Katy Dornbos	Create John Golden	Math that Builds: STEM Skills for Architecture, Engineering and Construction Greg Schwebach	Take “OAIM” and Fire!: Inquiry Procedure Writing for Science Classes Linda Stegemann {Exhibitor}	Math of SURF Liz Pettit	Micro:Bits and Robotics Workshop Laura Shumaker	Becoming a Leader in STEM Education Mark Kreie	Exploring South Dakota K–8 Standards: From Breakdown to Practice Tina Belden, Hannah Caffee & Ben Benson	Teaching Ecosystems through Birding with Merlin ID: Place-Based Science that Builds Engagement through Technology-Enhanced Observations. John Williams	iLEARN Project Outcomes and Classroom Innovations Madhav Nepal & Team, Mara Johnson, Barb Wielenga, Larry Browning, Matt Miller, Srnivas Janaswamy, Jiyul Chang	Bringing The Prairie To Your Classroom: SD's New Grasslands Education Curriculum Raghav Sriram YogeewariDaniel Cox	“Fraction Frenzy & Math Mayhem: Dive into Frax & Gizmos!” Shalese Stroup	8:00 - 8:50 AM		
					The Beauty & Fun of Graphs Katy Dornbos					Play John Golden	STEM Outdoors: Exploring Environmental Science and Engineering RunningHorse Livingston	Litter Detective Engage Students Bree Oatman	We Blew a Fuse Nathaniel Raak	Bath Bombs and Chemical Kinetics Matt Miller		Making Math Count with MATHCOUNTS Karin Lang & Krista May	Bringing Biomedical Research to the Classroom Louisa Otto (repeat), Sanford PROMISE {Exhibitor}
9:00 - 9:50 AM																9:00 - 9:50 AM	
10:00 - 10:50 AM			Feeling the Consequences of Accuracy & Precision Katy Dornbos	Family Math: Greatest Hits Cindy Kroon	Teaching Science with Physical Models from 3D Molecular Designs Andrew Sathoff & Georgie Kolbeck	Using Challenge Questions to Explore Student Learning Linda Stegemann {Exhibitor}	Navigating the Challenges and Opportunities of AI in the Classroom Amy Schander	Lunch Stetup	Lunch Setup	Target Based Grading in a High School Mathematics Classroom Mark Kreie	Scarcity in Engineering: Using the Concept of Scarcity to Increase Critical Thinking in Engineering STEM Activities John Williams	Lunch Setup	Lunch Setup	Gizmos in Action: Let’s Make Science Seriously Fun! Shalese Stroup {Exhibitor}	10:00 - 10:50 AM		
10:50 AM	Networking & Exhibitors																10:50 AM
Lunch																	Lunch
12:40 - 1:30 PM			PhET Hacks for Student-Centered Science Linda Stegemann {Exhibitor}	Research to Classrooms Using Milkweed Anne Lewis, Carrie Olson-Manning& Bree Oatman	Launching the Lesson with Data Science Nicole Goerges	Tracking, Let’s Talk About It Liz Pettit	Meet Your Future Teachers Dan Van Peurse,m, Matt Miller & Sharon Vestal	Lunch Cleanup	Lunch Cleanup	Building Thinking Classrooms in Calculus Christine Larson	Computational Thinking with and without Computer Science Joy Lundgren	Lunch Cleanup	Lunch Cleanup	AI for Every Classroom: Real-World Skills & Student Agency Through the Design Thinking (previous AI users) Jeff Schneider	12:40 - 1:30 PM		
			Meet PhET Studio: Interact Your Way Linda Stegemann {Exhibitor}	OPEN	STEM With Meaning: Biomimicry Innovation in the Classroom RunningHorse Livingston	OPEN	360° Big Screen Adventures! Kristine Heinen (repeat) {Exhibitor}	Setup	Setup	Artificial Intelligence in the Biomedical Research Lab Ben Benson & Louisa Otto {Exhibitor}	Radiation Shielding: A Hands-On Middle School Engineering Activity for Those Who Like to Build John Williams	Edison Robots Laura Shumaker	Elementary Science Sit Down Nicole Mehlhaff (repeat)			1:40 - 2:30 PM	
2:40 - 3:30 PM		7:00 AM - 3:30 PM Registration			Discussion of Proposed SD K – 12 Math Standards Sharon Vestal, Susan Gilkerson, Amy Schander, & other SDCTM Board members		More Demonstrations Matt Miller & Larry Browning					Reserved	Reserved			2:40 - 3:30 PM	
3:35 - 4:10 PM						Math wrap-up	Science wrap-up	Next Year's Conference will be February 4, 5, & 6, 2027						SHARE the CLASSROOM Treasures can be found down this hallway. Check it out now as these become trash at 2:40.		3:35 - 4:10 PM	
4:30-6:30																	
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