MOMATYC Monthly October



Dear MOMATYC friends,

I don't know about anyone else, but this time of the year seems to be pretty hectic. I am right in the middle of midterm week. I have a proctored exam for my online Precalculus class this Thursday, the students in that class wanted to have a study session before the test and the only night that worked is Wednesday night after my graduate class from 7-10pm, the Math Pathways Symposium is on Friday out at WildWood, and midterm grades are due Monday. Does anyone else feel this busy at this time of the year?

If you are planning to attend the Math Pathways Symposium you might actually get to read this newsletter in print as we plan to hand these out as a combo flyer advertising our Spring Conference. Hope to see you there!

I chose the picture for this newsletter as a means of escape. If you remember from a previous newsletter, this is a picture of one of the classrooms at OTC- Table Rock Lake campus where we will be hosting some of our sessions at the conference. What isn't calming about the views from this room? I can't wait to host our MOMATYC Spring 2018 Conference here.... I mean there. I feel like I'm there already.



"We're halfway there..." Whenever I think/say that phrase a tune pops into my head. It is true, we are only six months away from the conference (April 5-7th). For those of you going to <u>AMATYC in San Diego</u> this year, we are only about a month away!! I'm excited about going this year as I had to miss last year in Denver. I've already been communicating with my Cohort 11 Project ACCCESS fellows in our FaceBook group about meeting up and playing cards

in the hotel lobby late at night (something we did when we were in New Orleans two years ago.)

I have put in a request to get a little sneak peak from Dr. Tristan Denley about his keynote address coming up in the Spring. That should be coming soon, I was hoping for something to put in the newsletter this month. Keep your eyes and ears open for the newsletter next month...

If you are trying something new this year in the classroom and want to share, we'd love to hear about it at the MOMATYC Spring conference. We are still looking for individuals who have some expertise in classroom technology such as google drive, desmos, geogebra, minitab, R, etc. Technology driven or not, we'd love to hear the innovative things being done across the state (or in other states for my non-Missourians reading this)! Please complete a <u>proposal</u> at the <u>momatyc website</u>, or email Mike Lueke at <u>hlueke@stlcc.edu</u> for information.

Hang in there! We will make it through midterms and come out stronger and more determined to finish this semester on the other side. I hope to see some of you on Friday at the Math Pathways Symposium, some of you next month at the AMATYC conference, and ALL of you at the 2018 MOMATYC Spring Conference.

Until then,

Your MOMATYC President

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