



Dear MOMATYC friends,

I guess I haven't been to too many places, other than Busch Stadium, to take the panoramic pictures lately. The picture above was taken in seats in the Champions Club. We acquired the tickets about 4 hours before gametime. Fortunately, we didn't have any prior engagements. What an exciting time to be a baseball fan! With the beginning of school things have been pretty busy.

I don't know about you, but at the beginning of the semester I usually start planning out the academic year, especially professional development opportunities. I've already booked my flight and hotel and paid for registration to the national AMATYC conference in San Diego this year. I'm super excited to go since I had to miss last year. I've volunteered to be a mentor to one of the new project ACCCESS fellows. It is exciting to be hearing about the innovative things being done in the classroom as we brainstorm about the upcoming project for my mentee. Fun times ahead! If anyone has new faculty, please encourage them to apply for Project ACCCESS next year. The experience is absolutely invaluable.



I am also making my plans for MOMATYC this Spring (April 5th-7th). Our conference is only 7 months away! We are gearing up for a great time down in the Branson area. There will be tons of fun to be had at the conference and around the area in the evening if you happen to be free during the conference weekend. I'm really looking forward to hearing from Dr. Tristan Denley and his work with redesign. As an aspiring administrator, I am eager

to hear what he has to say about mathematics redesign and legislation reform in his past and current positions. Thanks also to Hawkes for providing our keynote this year!

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. Please complete a [proposal](#) at the [momatyc website](#), or email Mike Lueke at hlueke@stlcc.edu for information.

Don't forget about the regional meetings that the Missouri Department of Higher Education is hosting around the state: <http://dhe.mo.gov/mathpathwaysregionalmeetings.php> Of the five meetings I know that four of them are going to be facilitated by MOMATYC members. Sorry, I'm unsure who facilitated the meeting at Metropolitan Community College last Friday. I know that MOMATYC board member Trish White will be facilitating at OTC, MOMATYC treasurer Donna Kessler will be facilitating at MACC, MOMATYC member Tammy Randolph will be facilitating at SEMO, and Past President Kim Tsai-Granger will be facilitating at STLCC-Wildwood Campus. Please make your best efforts to attend the meeting that will be most convenient for you. A lot of necessary discussion will be taking place at these meetings that we will need to disseminate to our colleagues across the state. Please email Donna Kessler at donnak@macc.edu for information.

I hope all of you are doing well with the new semester and all of those new strategies and ideas in the classroom are making a difference in student's lives in mathematics classrooms across the state!