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Here we go! The 2016-2017 school year is here and our students want and need math educators that will challenge them to stretch *beyond* their perceived potential, who are dedicated to providing the best education to them, who see the beauty within them and help bring it out for all to see. I know that you have provided this to your past students and that you can and will provide this again for your students this year. Your students are lucky and privileged to have you as their educator, and likewise, you are to have them as your students.

Each year, the educational platform that we work in presents challenges for us to work through towards achieving our goals. Knowing that we have complete control of how we implement standards, collaborate with colleagues, share with students, learn with students and respond to state initiatives, let us continue making math fun, interesting, relevant and a bridge to fruitful outcomes for our students. What better way to be prepared to take on this scope of work, and passion, than being an active member of NCAMS?

We already have big events planned, along with others later on in the year:

- NCMTA Kick- Off with Google on 10.25.16
- NCAMS Sharing Breakfast with **You** on 11.7.16
- NCAMS Winter Luncheon with *Greg Tang* on 12.12.16
- NCMTA How to Make Math Count with *Brian Cohen* on 1.12.17

Consider visiting our <u>website</u> (<u>http://ncams.org</u>), where our calendar of events, contact information and **new membership forms** are available. New information is posted here regularly.

It is my privilege to be the president of this organization, and continue supporting our collective interests and initiatives. Since our actions are driven with the best interests in mind for <u>all</u> math educators across our region, I appeal to your ability to attend our events, share your thoughts and participate in moving our organization forward - <u>together</u>.

May the 2016-2017 school year be awesome, rewarding and one that you are proud of!

Thank you $^{\infty}$,

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