



## **Building a Presence for Science in Florida/Science Matters**

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**Professional Development Grants  
will be awarded to  
Key Leaders and Points of Contacts in Florida  
who are active in  
NSTA's Building a Presence/Science Matters Program  
The Grant will pay registration to attend the FAST/NSTA Regional  
Conference in Ft. Lauderdale  
12-14 November 2009**

Professional Development Grants to attend the southeastern regional NSTA conference and the annual FAST Conference are available to members of the Building a Presence for Science community in Florida. Elementary school teachers (K-5), middle school teachers (6-8), and high school teachers (9-12) who would like financial assistance to attend the conference are encouraged to volunteer to write about their experiences for FAST News. To be considered for the registration award, educators will be required to submit a proposal stating their participation in Building a Presence/Science Matters and the reasons they would like to participate in the Conference. After attending the Conference, awardees will be expected to write about their experience at the conference. When their report is sent to the Newsletter editor along with their receipt for registration and form for travel reimbursement (by November 30<sup>th</sup>), the BaP treasurer of Building a Presence for Science/Science Matters in Florida will send a check to the recipient.

Each recipient of the grant will be reimbursed up to \$209 after the Conference. This will cover the cost of registration. Early bird registration is September 25, 2009. Any additional monetary expenses incurred by the recipient will be their responsibility. It is hoped that if additional funding is necessary the recipient may seek support from their Principal or School District form in-service dollars or other staff development sources of funding.

**Interested members of the BaP/Science Matters community are invited to submit a proposal**

Entries must be submitted electronically, are limited to a one-page response and print out in 12 point font, double spaced on 8 ½ x 11 inch paper with 1 inch margins on each side and state what you hope to gain from the experience.

Provide the following information on a separate page: Name, home address, home telephone, fax, and e-mail address; work location, Principal/Supervisor's name, school/work address, school/work telephone, fax, and e-mail.

**Return all application materials by September 20, 2009 to:  
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Florida Coordinator of NSTA's Building a Presence/Science Matters  
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