



Letter from the President

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Science Educators,

Thank you for visiting the FAST website. If you are not a member, please consider joining and if you are a member, please help communicate the importance of science education. It has been about 15 years since the publications of *Science for All Students* and *Science for All Educators* brought us to some agreement about what all students and their teachers should know and be able to do. It remains important that those who know and support science education remind others of this.

A successful strategy for dissemination of the importance of science aligns with the strategies for successful reading. It involves reading about science, doing science and writing about science at all levels. Communication is essential. We must communicate with students, parents and care givers, school administrators, community and business leaders and legislators about the importance of science and of the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) initiative.

In this challenging economic environment we must work to bring understanding and enthusiasm to the science classroom. So many of you are already doing this and we need to multiple your efforts. This will enable our students to complete in a global economy.

Please send me your ideas, suggestions, and offers to work with the Florida Association of Science Teachers. Everyone working together will be a stronger science community. When this community communicates more will be learned and more will get done.

Thank you for all you do for science education and for visiting this website.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marsha Winegarner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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President 2010-2011

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