

## **STEM teachers can apply for Institute**

Teachers in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) areas are encouraged to apply for the Lexmark Teacher Institute, set for July 28-Aug. 1.

The institute, a program of the Lexington Partnership for Workforce Development, consists of company visits, time working directly with business leaders to discuss ideas, and reflection time for teachers to formulate lesson plans.

The program, formerly known as Fast Forward Teacher Professional Development Series, is open to 75 teachers throughout Fayette, Jessamine and Scott County public schools.

This year the institute will focus on middle school, high school and technical center teachers and post-secondary educators who want to make connections with colleagues and the business community to learn about the workplace and incorporate real-life examples into their lesson plans.

### **Applications are due by March 17.**

Mail to:

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Lexington, KY 40507  
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### **APPLICATION:**

Please complete the following (print or type):

Name:

Home address:

Work e-mail:

Home e-mail:

Home phone:

Cell phone:

School:

Grade(s) you teach:

Subject(s) you teach:

School address:

Preferred method of communication during the summer: (circle one) home e-mail, work e-mail, mail, phone, other (please specify)

### **Your answers to these questions will be used in the selection process:**

1. Please write a brief self-introduction and biography.
2. What do you consider your highest responsibility or career achievement?

3. Why do you want to participate in the Lexmark Teacher Institute? What do you hope to gain from your experience?
4. If you could change one thing about teaching, what would it be?
5. What company would you like to visit most?
6. If Alltech Biotechnology agrees to host a tour, it must be scheduled after 5 p.m. Alltech is one of central Kentucky's most progressive companies in research and development and international business. We will try to make arrangements to tour Alltech at some point during the week. Please indicate your interest in going on an optional tour after 5 p.m. Circle YES or NO.

Signature:

Date:

### **NOTABLE:**

**Attendance policy:** The Lexmark Teacher Institute is a program of the Lexington Partnership for Workforce Development. The valuable funding provided by Lexmark International demonstrates the company's commitment to education and investing in our community. Therefore we ask that participants commit to the full week, July 28 through Aug. 1. With the honor and privilege of being a part of the program comes the responsibility to be on time and to participate wholeheartedly. Classes begin promptly at 8:30 a.m. and run until 4:30 p.m.

**Stipend:** Teachers will receive a \$125 per day stipend; the payment will be processed through the school district's payroll system.

**Transportation:** Transportation during the day will be provided.

**Meals:** Lunch and snacks will be provided. Please note on your application if you have any restrictions (i.e. vegetarian).

**Dress code:** We encourage you to dress business casual (and comfortable) as you will be meeting with business representatives. Please note that this does not include jeans, athletic wear, shorts, flip-flops, etc. Sometimes the room can be cool, so you might want to bring a jacket or sweater.

**Shoes:** For safety, you must wear close-toed and close-heeled shoes on all business visits and tours. Comfortable shoes (tennis shoes are OK) are recommended because you might be standing or walking for an hour or more.

**Details:** A final schedule and all pertinent information will be sent to participants before the institute begins.

