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Dear Biology/ Science Educator,

The College of Life Sciences at the University of Maryland will host the **Innovations in Biology Education** symposium on Tuesday, **November 13, 2007** on the University of Maryland campus. We have an engaging day of presentations and discussions planned, including a keynote lecture on current topics in biological sciences, presentations of innovations in teaching, and discussions of daily challenges that teachers face. The symposium will be held in conjunction with our annual Bioscience Research Day, www.bioscienceday.umd.edu/, which will provide additional opportunities for teachers to attend research seminars on exciting, cutting edge topics in the Life Sciences.

A Howard Hughes Medical Institute grant will provide reimbursement to your school district for the cost of hiring a substitute teacher. The reimbursement form is attached – please return this along with your registration form. Registration for the symposium is free and lunch is provided.

We are also reimbursing those who drive to the symposium from 15 miles or more. You will find a link to the travel expense form at www.bioscienceday.umd.edu/2007/teach.html, which you can complete and turn in the day of the symposium at the registration desk. We want you to be able to attend and will work with you to make this happen!

The agenda for the day's activities and a registration form are also available on the website. You may register by return email, U.S. Mail, or fax. If you have any difficulty with these files, please do not hesitate to let me know and I will send you hard copy by mail or fax. Please share this information with any colleagues in middle school or high school biology education who may not have received an invitation. If you would like to see the symposium content from the past year you may do so at: <http://bioscienceday.umd.edu/2006/teach.html>

The **deadline for registration is November 1, 2007**. If you have any questions please inquire via return email.

Please note: High school students are welcome to attend the regular Biosciences Day Research Symposium that is held in parallel with the teaching symposium. The talks and posters may be of interest to your top students. If interested, they should register individually through www.bioscienceday.umd.edu. Registration is free.

Sincerely,

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