

# Science Leadership Network Meeting

September 30, 2020

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## Welcome

**Coffee Talk:** [bit.ly/SLNdiscuss](https://bit.ly/SLNdiscuss) Use this link to interact asynchronously any time!

## Community Partners:

[Citizens' Environmental Coalition](#)/Houston Environmental Resources for Educators ([HERE in Houston](#))

Contact **Alicia Mein-Johnson**, [alicia@cechouston.org](mailto:alicia@cechouston.org), 210-831-4336

- [HERE in Houston Digital Resources for EE](#)
- [HERE in Houston Professional Development Calendar](#)
- [Houston Virtual Green Job Program](#): October 6 [Register here as a student or mentor](#)
- [Houston Climate Action Plan](#)
- **Links shared during meeting**
  - [Link to Alicia's handout](#)
  - [The Woods Project](#)
  - [Harris County Precinct 4 Learning Page \(printable items\)](#)

## NSTA

- [Shell Science Teaching Award](#): Deadline December 10, 2020
- [Shell Urban Science Educators Development Award](#): Deadline December 10, 2020
- [NSTA Shell Science Lab Regional Challenge](#) (Deer Park and Houston): Deadline January 22, 2021

## COVID Resources

### [TEA COVID Page](#)

- [Texas Project Restore](#)
- [School Outbreak Instructions/FAQ](#)
- [Attendance and Enrollment FAQ](#)

### [Texas Home Learning](#)

### [Region 4 COVID Page](#)

[Curated list of online resources for science labs](#) (Created by LeighAnn Tomaswick)

## TEA Updates

### [Science TEKS Review](#)

- [June SBOE Meeting](#) (Part 3, starts around 1:42)
- [September SBOE Meeting](#) (Part 1, starts around 2:22; Continues in Part 2)

### Assessments

- [Texas Formative Assessments Resource \(TFAR\)](#)
- [Optional Beginning of Year Assessments](#)
- [STAAR Interim Assessments](#)

## Professional Organization Updates

[TSELA](#) Fall Meeting: November 3-4

### [STAT](#)

- [CAST Reimagined](#): November 5-7
- Membership Promotion: Promo Code GRATEFUL (Ends September 30)

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- New membership options
- [Web Seminar Series](#): Distance Learning Strategies for Science Educators; begins October 1
- [NSTA Engage Virtual Conference](#): November 13-15
- Book Discount: Use promo code TAKE10 through October 31

## Science and STEM Resources

### [Region 4 Texas EcosySTEM](#)

Copyright and Allowable Use: [Region 4 Request for Copyright Exceptions Form](#)

Coming soon! *Gateways to Science Companion Guide: Vocabulary Strategies*

Coming soon! *STEMulating Design Challenges in Science for MS and HS*

## Professional Learning Opportunities

2020-2021 R4 Science Workshops - [bit.ly/r4scipd](https://bit.ly/r4scipd)

[Region 4 Science Conference](#): December 2, 2020 (virtual)

- *Call for presenters coming soon!*

### [Region 4 at CAST](#)

[NEED](#) energy workshops sponsored by ConocoPhillips: [November 10](#), [November 19](#), [December 12](#)

[HERE in Houston Professional Development Calendar](#)

## Leadership Resources

Private Facebook Group: [R4 Science Leadership Network](#)

2020 Shell Science Leadership Collaborative; Program Pre-Survey:

<https://forms.gle/cq71iWQuthkgWp3R8> or <https://bit.ly/2G2mCPh>

*Please complete to help us collect data for the grant!*



## Learning for Leaders: Self Care

[Self-Care Strategies Document](#) (created during the meeting)

[Virtual Calming Room](#) (Shared during Learning for Leaders)

## Future SLN Meetings

December 9, 2020

February 17, 2021