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Michigan Discovery Educator Network

Connecting with Others to Learn, Share, and Grow



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Be sure to check out
the
[Michigan DEN Blog](#) to
keep
up-to-date on
exciting
events and news
from
around Michigan!

The Michigan DEN
Leadership Council
would like to take
this time to welcome
all of our new
Michigan DEN STARS
to the Michigan DEN!
We're excited that
you have joined
our family!



STAR Discovery Educator
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Webinars

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*No Money? No Problem: Using Discovery Education and Web 2.0
to Enhance Your Lessons and Engage Your Students with Brad Fountain*

March 15 at 7 PM ET

[Register today!](#)

Click on the [calendar](#) to see the full list of what's happening in the DEN.



Join us for the 2011 MACUL Conference at Cobo Center in Detroit, MI- March 16-18



Opening Keynote Rushton Hurley

Executive Director,
Next Vista for
Learning

Thursday, March 17 •
8:30 to 9:30 AM

What Technology Has and Hasn't Changed with Teaching and Learning

If you are looking for an insightful, thought-provoking session then you will not want to miss the opening session featuring Rushton Hurley. Hurley, who has a wealth of background experience in the education field looks past the everyday annoyances and flashy tools, and focuses on what comes from educator's willingness to explore new possibilities with students. You will leave this opening session inspired and invigorated! What a great way to kick off the conference! You will also have two other opportunities to watch Hurley in action.

- **How to Take Part in a Video Contest, and Why Your Students Should**
- **Technology and Staff Morale**



Closing Keynote Hall Davidson

Director,
Global Learning
Initiatives, Discovery
Education

Friday, March 18
2:30 to 3:30 PM

Take a Look at a Page from the Perfect Digital "Textbook"

I cannot think of a better way to end this year's conference than on the energetic note from Hall Davidson. Davidson entered the educational field at warp speed in 1971 and has been moving full throttle ever since. Since 2005, he has served as the director of Global Learning Initiatives with Discovery Education. He is a dynamic speaker and has a realistic grip on the educational challenges that face educators today. His motivational and entertaining presentation will leave you inspired as well as informed. Davidson understands today's technology trends and approaches the topic in a realistic, enlightening, and energized fashion. You will also have another opportunity to see Davidson in action.

- **Classroom Gadget Showdown with Leslie Fisher**

HTTP: **Here's Today's Tech Picks:**

“Stir it Up” with Discovery: Michigan PD Event, March 19

Michigan Educators: You are invited to attend a technology conference on **Saturday, March 19** at [Sarah Banks Middle School](#) (Wixom, MI) from 8:30am-3:15pm.

This event will focus on providing participants with some of the most effective strategies for transforming teaching practices through the meaningful and effective integration of digital media content. Presenters are from Discovery Education, the Michigan Discovery Educator Leadership Council, and Walled Lake Consolidated Schools.

Lunch and door prizes will be provided by Discovery.

Registration is limited to 125 participants, so register early if you would like to attend. [Click here to register.](#)

Topics include:

- Work Smarter, Not Harder: using simple tech tools as formative assessment
- Engaging and Assessing Young Scientists
- Mobile Learning with iPads and iPods
- Screencasting with Jing
- “Best of MACUL”
- Videogames for Learning
- Google Docs
- Reaching and Teaching Kids with Disabilities
- 21st Century Skills for Elementary Students
- Interactive White Boards
- Using USB videocams in the classroom

Hope to see you there!

MACUL's On-Line Conference Planner

We have the On-Line Conference Planner at
<http://planner.macul.org/selectconference.aspx>

DEN SCIcon Archives Now Available
[Check out the DEN blog](#) for SCIcon
2011 archives.

Just a few of the Michigan DEN STARS presenting at MACUL:

- **Barbara Smalla**
- **Brad Wilson**
- **Cheryl Boes**
- **Janie Darnell**
- **Karen Bosch**
- **Krista Harmsworth**
- **Melinda Waffle**
- **Melinda White**
- **Mitch Fowler**
- **Patti Harju**
- **Ron Houtman**