

2014 Middle School Teachers Summer Institute

The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is soliciting applications from eligible public school districts and accredited private educational institutions in the U.S. and its territories nominating middle school science teachers (grade levels 6-8) to participate in the NIST Summer Institute Program. The Summer Institute Program will provide selected teachers hands-on activities, lectures, tours, and visits with NIST scientists and engineers at the NIST Campus in Gaithersburg, Maryland. More information on the Summer Institute Program is available [here](#). The Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) Notice is posted at the link below. Electronic applications must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time, Wednesday, March 12, 2014. Paper applications must be received by NIST by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Wednesday, March 12, 2014.

<http://www.nist.gov/iaao/teachlearn/upload/2014-NIST-Summer-InstituteFINAL.pdf>

Cybersecurity Center of Excellence Seeks Public Comments

The National Cybersecurity Center of Excellence (NCCoE) is inviting comments on a Partial Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) for a contractor to operate a Federally Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC) to support the mission of the NCCoE. The FFRDC will be the first solely dedicated to enhancing the security of the nation's information systems. The Partial Draft RFP outlines NIST's plan to award a single Indefinite-Delivery/Indefinite-Quantity type contract with firm-fixed price, labor-hour or cost-reimbursement task orders. Specific work to be performed will be detailed in task orders. The proposed base period for the contract is 5 years, with a maximum amount of \$400 million for that period. Access the Partial Draft RFP at the link below.

https://www.fbo.gov/spg/DOC/NIST/AcAsD/DRAFT_SB1341-14-RP-0005/listing.html

Interested parties have until 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Jan. 17, 2014, to submit their comments. NIST will hold an industry day Jan. 8, 2014, that will include discussion of the acquisition process and a question and answer session. Register for the industry day at the link below by [Jan. 6, 2014](#).

<https://www.ibbr.umd.edu/NCCoEFFRDCIndustry>

January 2014 Accessible Voting Technology Initiative Webinars

The Election Assistance Commission and NIST will conduct two Accessible Voting Technology Initiative (AVTI) webinars in January 2014. The goal of these webinars is to share the results of the AVTI research to improve elections and the voting process. The first webinar will be held Friday, January 10th, from 1:00 – 2:30 PM, and will focus on piloting AVTI technology. The second webinar will be held Thursday, January 23rd, from 10:00 – 11:30 AM, and will examine AVTI solutions related to election personnel. Election officials, manufacturers, researchers, accessibility advocates, and the general public are invited to participate. Additional information about the webinars including registration is accessible at this [link](#).