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News from the Education Division Chair, Cindy Veenstra

The National Quality in Education Conference ([NOEC](#)) is just around the corner! From November 7th – November 9th, educators from around the world will gather in Chicago to learn more about the conference theme: “Innovation in Education: Creating World Class Student Learning.” Among a large variety of breakout sessions, participants will also enjoy keynote speaker Jo Anderson Jr., Senior Advisor to the U.S. Secretary of Education, who will deliver his message for innovation, increasing American students’ rankings in the world, and the future of education in America. Other keynote speakers include Joseph and Judith Pauley and Brenda Clark.

Jay Marino and I have been busy planning our division activities at NOEC. Liz Peotter has developed a new Education Division informational booth at the conference, complete with slide show! Let us know what you think of it! Stop by and learn more about how the Education Division supports quality in education from kindergarten through college and workforce learning. We will have free information and resources including: PDSA posters, brochures and information about the Education Division, copies of *The Journal for Quality and Participation* and much more.

Network with Division leaders including Jay Marino, K-12 chair, Liz Peotter, membership and marketing chair, Marianne Di Pierro, QED editor, and me. Look for the Division’s welcome Sunday morning, my hosting of a conversation table on STEM at the Sunday luncheon, and Marianne presenting her research on Sunday afternoon. ***We welcome your input and want to hear your ideas on how the Education Division can support you in your networking on continuous***

improvement! We are currently planning STEM (science-technology-engineering-mathematics) activities for the year and would especially like to hear your ideas on STEM networking.

Visit our website at <http://asq.org/edu/> to access many other resources including announcements, webinars, newsletters, publications, library articles and discussion boards. Feel free to add a discussion to the Education Division discussion board and the Baldrige in Education Network. <http://asq.org/edu/interaction/discussion-board-edu.html>. If you are on Twitter, look for my tweets about NQEC (cpveenstra, #NQEC).

The Education Division is a sponsor of the 2010 Education Team Excellence Award so be sure to participate in the excitement of one of the live presentations.

The Education Division leadership team looks forward to seeing you at NQEC!

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