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**TEXAS MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER, KIM SPAULDING,
CHOSEN AS A SIEMENS STEM FELLOW**



Texarkana, TX – The Siemens Foundation, in conjunction with Discovery Education and College Board, have named Kim Spaulding, Texas Middle School Teacher, as a 2010-11 Siemens STEM Fellow. She will join forty-nine other middle and high school educators from across the country to participate in the inaugural Siemens STEM Institute from August 1 - 6.

Selected from a pool of nearly 600 applications, Siemens STEM Fellows will participate in an all-expense paid, week-long STEM professional development experience, hosted at the world headquarters of Discovery Communications, located outside of our nation's capitol in Washington, D.C.

Educators will spend the week engaging with leading scientists, thought-leaders, personalities and innovators whose work across STEM disciplines shape and define our world today. Additionally, they will visit leading institutions where they will observe real-world applications of STEM subject matter and find opportunities for networking and collaborating with peers from across the nation.

Guest speakers include top STEM experts and personalities from NASA, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Science Foundation, American Society of Civil Engineers, CNN, the Science Channel and many more.

The Siemens STEM Institute is a one-of-a-kind immersion program that promotes hands-on, real-world integration of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) in the classroom.

Spaulding began her educational career in 1997 with Texarkana Independent School District. She was named Teacher of the Year for Texas

Middle School in 2002-03, was selected in 2007 to attend The Keystone Center Institute focusing on environmental issues and in 2005 was chosen to be part of the Lone Star Dinosaur Institute in conjunction with Southern Methodist University.

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She serves as a Science Teacher and Team Leader for the 6th Grade STEM Academy at Texas Middle School. Spaulding holds a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies, with over 52 hours of focused work in Science, from Texas A&M University – Texarkana. She is currently working on her Master of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies from TAMU-T

The Siemens Foundation provides more than \$7 million annually in support of educational initiatives in the areas of science, technology, engineering and math in the United States. By supporting outstanding students today and recognizing the teachers and schools that inspire their excellence, the Foundation helps nurture tomorrow's scientists and engineers. The Foundation's mission is based on the culture of innovation, research and educational support that is the hallmark of Siemens' U.S. companies and its parent company, Siemens AG.

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