

TO: AAPG Foundation Board of Trustees

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RE: **Report on grant for three *More! Rocks in Your Head* workshops in 2012; partnership between AAPG Foundation, Region 4 Education Service Center, and Houston Geological Society.**

I am reporting on the generous grant for three *More! Rocks in Your Head* (MRIYH) workshops to be presented in 2012 at Region 4 in Houston for up to 45 teachers each. This is a partnership between AAPG Foundation, Region 4 Education Service Center (ESC), and Houston Geological Society (HGS).

The first of the three workshops was presented to 39 teachers on March 3, 2012 (3/14/12 report).

The second workshop was presented to 41 teachers and educators on August 7, 2012. The teachers were members of the Texas Regional Collaborative (TRC) Science; many mentor other teachers in science.

Two additional sections have been added to the MRIYH program to accommodate the new TEKS and areas of weakness for Middle School teachers, as defined by the Science Specialist at Region 4:

- Topographic and satellite maps, especially in regards to erosion prediction.
- Energy resources; formation and comparison of long term use.

The teachers remarked that the new sections are exactly what they need for the classroom.

For this workshop, another section was added: Meteorites and Tektites. The teachers were thrilled with the new material and the samples they received. The third workshop will feature Meteorites and Lunar Simulant Soil.

There were 45 teachers registered and a long waitlist. The 4 extra meteorite and mineral sets were given out as Landform BINGO prizes.

The third workshop will be December 8, 2012. All 45 spaces are already filled with TRC science mentoring teachers.

I greatly appreciate this support. Thank you.