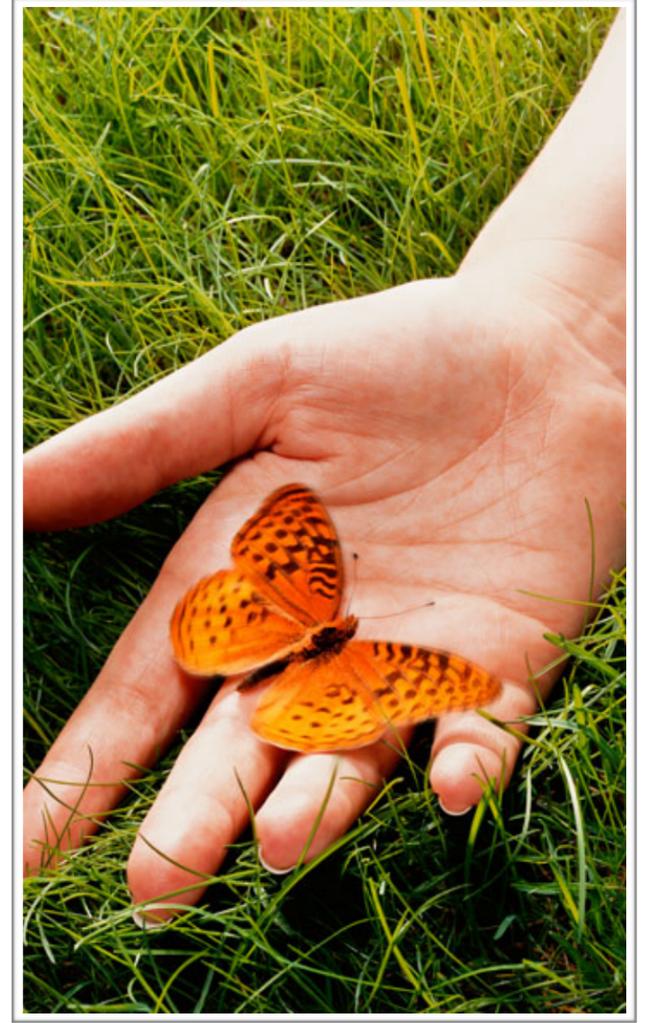




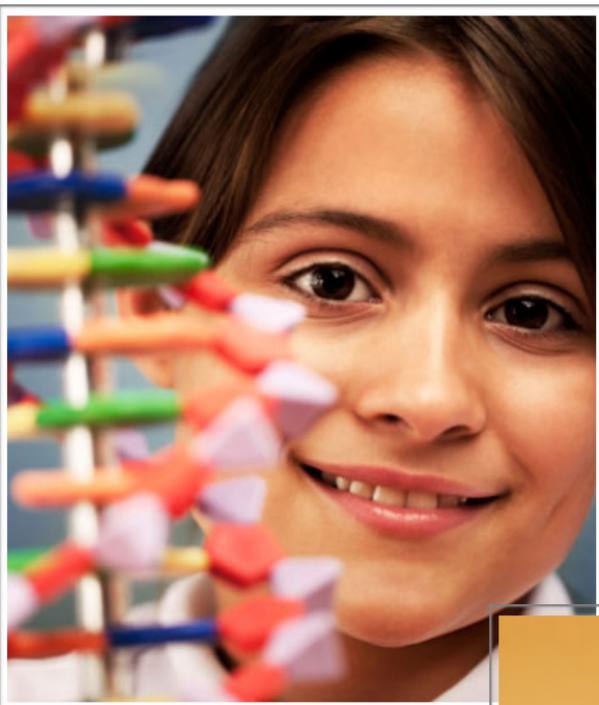
Exemplar Classroom Award

2017/2018 Area of Interest — Maker Labs

Illinois ASCD is searching for classrooms that exhibit exemplary use of evidence-based best practices in teaching. We are focused on providing teachers opportunities for observation that demonstrate quality student engagement within Illinois schools.



Our theme for this school year is to explore the activities you may want to showcase in your Maker Lab. Teachers will be invited to carefully examine and reflect on their own teaching practices, while observing your students identifying and developing solutions to authentic problems in their Maker Labs. It is our hope to find classrooms throughout the state of Illinois so all Illinois teachers can connect to a school/district reasonably near them. It's not enough to tell our teachers what they should be doing — we must provide them with examples that allow them to see what rigor, relevance, and relationships look like in your school's Maker Lab.



For additional information and applications please visit www.illinoisascd.org OR call 618-203-3993

ILSCD Exemplar Classrooms

ILASCD recognizes classrooms that exhibit exemplary use of evidence based best practices for students. The Exemplar Classroom Project, under the direction of the ILASCD, is focused on providing teachers opportunities for observation that demonstrates quality student engagement within Illinois schools.

The purpose of this project is to create a professional development model that would allow teachers to participate in a full day of experiences infusing firsthand excitement of discovering opportunities for learning - much like your students would. Teachers will be invited to carefully examine and reflect on their own teaching practice, while engaging in observing an exemplar classroom where students are required to identify and develop solutions to authentic problems in their maker labs. This project will capture the student and teacher focusing on the maker movement within classrooms. It is our hope to find classrooms throughout the state of Illinois so all Illinois teachers can connect to a school/district reasonably near them. It is not enough to tell our teachers what they should be doing; we must provide them with examples that allow them to see what rigor, relevance and relationships look like in exemplar classrooms.

For the 2017-18 school year, it is our goal to identify classrooms that exhibit the following criteria within the maker movement. To apply for Exemplar Classroom Status, please complete the application and send the items stated below to rcneviu@me.com. The following criteria must be observed within the items requested in the application.

Criteria for Exemplar Classroom Status

Overall criteria should include: curiosity, creativity and collaboration being used to learn about the design process, how to use it to solve problems, learning new knowledge and skills, and having the ability to communicate their results with others.

- Problems and questions are identified for investigation
- Students make a plan to begin solving the problem
- Students research critically to identify what they need to know
- Students demonstrate creative thinking, construct knowledge, and develop innovative products and processes using technology
- Students are clear to with their peers about their ideas and listen effectively to the ideas of others. As groups, students are able to understand each others strengths and weaknesses, as they establish meaningful roles and responsibilities.

ILSCD Exemplar Classrooms

Application

Teacher Name:

School Name:

Email:

Phone number:

Grade level of classroom:

Please share a lesson plan and images of student samples (with no names) that would display your work.

Please submit a video that displays the criteria listed.

I am willing to videotape instruction that would display the criteria for Exemplar Classroom Status. I understand that portions of this video could be posted to ILASCD website as advertisement and I agree that I will obtain appropriate permission from parents.

Yes No

I have shared this with my principal and we are willing to allow educators to observe my classroom and host a group of educators for the day.

Yes No

Supervisor/ Administrator signature below indicates that appropriate permissions have been obtained to participate in Exemplar Classroom Status.

Supervisor/Administrator Signature _____