

FC TEachers and Engineers:

Welcome to all new teachers and engineers! There are currently 21 schools registered for the Future City Competition. Please pass the word on about this excellent educational program and let me know if you know other teachers at schools within your school system who might be interested in participating. There is still time to register as the deadline has been extended to October 30.

Reminder: There will be two Help Sessions this fall with orientations.

Help Session #1: No registration required. All FC teachers, engineers, and students are welcome.

Science Central

Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2005

4:00 Orientation

4:30-5:30 Help Session Panel

Special Hints for City Development/Design and Presenting Your City
Guidance on the model design and presentation and SIM City Disk
Layout.

Panelists:

Sherese Fortriede: Ft. Wayne City Planner

Sherese's position involves participating in city planning projects for Ft. Wayne and evaluating zoning issues. Sherese has also been a judge since the beginning of the Indiana Future City Competition 5 years ago and can provide some insights into what the judges look for in the model and presentation.

John Stafford: Director, Community Research Institute

John has been involved in city planning for most of his professional life. He has been on committees for both city planning projects and improving infrastructure; particularly transportation. John has also judged the FC competition and is currently the Judge Coordinator for the model and presentation judging which will occur on January 21, 2006 at the regional event.

Shane Pickett, Director of Operations, Science Central

Shane is an engineer and has extensive experience working with computers. Shane has been on the FC committee since its inception has both the volunteer coordinator, emcee, and one of the disk judges. Shane has also provided technical support to teams encountering problems with the SIM city designs. Shane will provide some insight into what judges look for in the disk layout.

Gary Dostal, Adjunct Faculty in Communications, Ivy Tech
retired Verizon Public Affairs.

Gary has extensive background in communications as a teacher, former speech coach, public affairs manager and current university instructor.

Gary has also been a presentation judge for Future City for 5 years and can provide some hints on how to improve your model presentation from the point of view of the judge.

Also, please put on your calendar November 1 when we will have a dynamite panel discussing this year's essay topic.

For those schools out of the immediate vicinity of Ft. Wayne, we will be sending you a copy of the tape of the panel discussion. For those of you within or close to Allen County, please attend and provide an audience and questions to our panelists. We are also working with IPFW Channel 56 to play the video of the panel discussion.