Update #2: 9.18.14

Hello Current and Past Future City Educators and/or interested Educators:

For those who have not registered yet but plan to offer the Future City project in either full form or pilot form for their school or after school youth program, please go to National Future City: www.futurecity.org and at the top of the home page, click on register, then go to Educator and proceed to follow the process.

Great topic this year...Feeding Future Cities! Can our middle school students figure out how to design cities with urban farms, vertical farms, and other interesting, innovative ways of producing food in the future?!

Registration Fee: $25 per school or youth organization! Yes, that is all. Plus there is a $100 maximum on how much each team can spend on the entire project.

For those of you who are registered...thank you for offering this opportunity to your students.

In this update:

1. **Educator Workshop Registration Form**: is now posted on the Indiana website hosted at IPFW. Please complete and submit your online form as soon as possible for planning purposes.

See FC Indiana website for the brochure and the registration link: www.etcs.ipfw.edu/fcc

Date: Wednesday, September 24, 2014  
Time: 4:30 to 8:00 PM (if you are traveling, you can leave, of course, when it works for you)

2 guest panelists will share their knowledge of agriculture, food, and related environmental issues. Notes from this panel will be sent to those of you who cannot attend.

Also, Doug Tanner and Shane Pickett, long time SimCity “pros” and judges will share their knowledge of SimCity. Doug will share his “Doug’s Hints” and explain how to download and submit the new format for Simcity. Doug’s Hints are actually a long list of great ideas that also include Jean’s Hints (Jean Eason is the Texas Coordinator who worked with Doug on creating this list). The list will be sent out to all Indiana teachers. Doug said he actually followed his own hints and created a city in 10 hours!! Wow!

2. **FC Central Indiana Orientation**: If anyone in the Indianapolis (or near Indianapolis or between Fort Wayne and Indianapolis...I can be flexible) is willing to host an hour to hour & half Future City informational/networking session for interested, new, and veteran teachers/leaders, please let me know ASAP and we can get something on the schedule. It’s great when teachers new to Future City can meet the “veterans” and everyone can network and share best practices. Yes, it is a competition but we are all about education first and foremost! Otherwise, as in the past, I will offer a conference call before Oct. 1 for new, distant teachers.
3. **Important dates:**

School Registration & Fee Payment Deadline  
Must be postmarked by **Friday, October 31, 2014**

SimCity Virtual City Map Design Submission Deadline  
**Wednesday, December 17, 2014 by 5 p.m. EST**

Team Registration Deadline  
**December 17, 2014 by 5 p.m. EST**

Essay and City Narrative Deadline  
**Thursday, January 15, 2015 by 5 p.m. EST**

Indiana Future City Regional Competition at IPFW  
**Saturday, January 24, 2015**

That’s it for this week’s update! Have a good week and thanks for guiding your teams!  
Carol