

Dear Participant,

Welcome to the Advanced Placement Teacher Training Institute at the Belin Blank Center at the University of Iowa! My name is Jennifer Cook Gregory and I will be the consultant for the Institute starting in Iowa City this summer. For the last twenty years I have taught AP chemistry at Moline High School in Moline, Illinois. In addition to being a consultant for College Board I have written multiple choice questions for the AP chemistry exam and I have been a reader for the AP chemistry reading for the past thirteen readings, as well as a Table Leader for five years. I have been a member of the ACS High School Exam committee for the past two cycles, as secretary in the last cycle, and I am the Chairperson of the 2019 exam committee.

The focus of the workshop will be on the chemistry content & lab-work associated with the AP Chemistry curriculum. We will discuss organization of the curriculum framework & examine the latest AP Chemistry exam. A great deal of time will be spent on inquiry learning and lab experiments. We will spend time each day in laboratory & each night you should plan on having some homework each night. I think new and experienced teachers will find something beneficial in this workshop.

Please bring the following items to the workshop with you.

- a) Calculator
- b) Close toed shoes, long pants/skirts, & goggles (& apron, optional)
- c) A lab that you currently use in your class & would like to modify to an Inquiry format
- d) A best practice activity (lab or anything else) to share with the participants – you can email me a copy or place it in the DropBox folder; Or you can bring 30 paper copies for the group.
- e) A draft of your syllabus if you need to submit one for next school year.

Some of the documents that I will be sharing will be electronic only. My preferred method of sharing documents is through Dropbox. If you don't have a Dropbox account you can open one for free at www.dropbox.com. Once I receive the participant list, I will send you an invitation to the DropBox folder for this workshop using the email you have on file for the workshop. If you would like me to use a different email please let me know on the first day of the workshop. In addition, once I receive the final list of participants in June, you will be receiving a short survey from me. Please try your best to complete the survey as quickly as you can, so I can try to meet the needs of the group. I look forward to seeing you in Iowa City! If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at jencookgregory@gmail.com.

Thank you & see you soon!

Jennifer