**­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­Greetings** and **thank you** for your interest inthe **Montana Partnership with Regions for Excellence in STEM** (**MPRES**). The **MPRES** project is designed to help teachers implement the K-12 Framework for Science Education and the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) in their classrooms. We accomplish this by providing a blend of face-to-face workshops and PLC meetings with an engaging, graduate-level online course facilitated by Dr. John Graves and our cadre of trained teacher professionals. The **MPRES** grant will cover participant costs including: payment for the online course; course and workshop materials; and travel and per diem expenses.

**Scope of Work: October 2014-May 2015**

* Attend four workshops (October, January, March, May).
* Complete the 2-credit online graduate course hosted by Montana State University. The teacher agrees to enter the course for credit.
* Participate in Professional Learning Community meetings hosted by your regional Teacher Trainer (online and face-to-face).
* Complete evaluation assessments.
* Work closely with project leaders regarding workshop and PLC information.

**MPRES face-to-face workshops dates for the school year are:**

* Workshop #1: Friday, October 10th & Saturday, October 11th in Butte
* Workshop #2: Friday, January 16th & Saturday, 17th in Billings
* Workshop #3: Friday, March 27th and Saturday, 28th in Butte
* Workshop #4: Friday, May 15th and Saturday, 16th in Billings

**Workshop times will generally be Friday 4-7 pm and Saturday 8 am-4 pm.**

**Please return completed application** **by October 3, 2014** to Dr. Arlene Alvarado, Cfwep.Org, Montana Tech, 1300 West Park, Butte, MT 59701 ([aalvarado@mtech.edu](mailto:aalvarado@mtech.edu)). You may send the application via regular post or email. Selected applicants will be notified within about one week of submission of application about their acceptance.

Teacher Leader Application 2014

(Completion of this form does not require you to participate or confirm your participation.)

**Teacher’s Name:**

**Principal’s Name:**

**Principal’s Email:**

**School District:**

**School Name:**

**Grade Level:**

**School Address:**

**Email Address (school):**

**Email Address (personal):**

**School Phone #:**

**Personal Phone #:**

**Who recruited you for the MPRES project?**

**Essay Questions: Please attach your answers to this application.**

1. Explain why you feel you would be an effective Teacher Leader for the K-12 Framework for Science Education and Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).
2. Given what you know about your professional responsibilities for the coming school year, describe how you will manage your commitments to the MPRES project alongside your other personal and professional commitments.
3. Please describe what you expect to gain professionally from this experience as a Teacher Leader.

**Letter of Recommendation:**

Please submit a letter of recommendation from your building principal or the MPRES Teacher Leader who recruited you.