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Re: Support for the OISC from The Institute of Optics

Dear Donn:

I am pleased to offer support for your K-12 educational initiatives. As we all know, there is a tremendous need for optics education at all levels today. Here at The Institute of Optics in Rochester, we have been granting Optics degrees since 1929: over 2360 in all. I would be very happy to discuss several ways in which we could help you with your program, but in particular, I would like to offer you the following.

Every summer, we run our Short Course Series (the 42nd this summer). I will offer up to four free slots initially to your local educators who would like to attend any of the 2.5 day long courses. The courses cover a wide range, from Fundamentals of Optics through Lasers and Optoelectronics and Optical Engineering, Fiber Optics, Biomedical Optics and Thin Film Technology. These courses normally cost between \$1100 and \$2000. Please let me know in advance if you have identified any candidates for this. You can check our web site www.optics.rochester.edu for more information on this program.

We are always looking for ways to expand our K-12 outreach activities, so please keep me informed about your progress, and good luck with this.

Sincerely yours



Wayne H. Knox