Stakeholders in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) in Michiana are invited to take an active role in STEM education on Thursday, January 24, 2013. The Michiana Science and Technology Center, Inc. (MSTCi) is a new venture to tap the community's zeal and resources in building coordinated STEM programs and assets. In a recent announcement and flyer, MSTCi writes:

Michiana Science and Technology Center inc. (MSTCi) is a new and exciting regional organization created to nurture interest in STEM learning by:
- Providing interactive experiences and sustained engagement
- Illuminating pathways to STEM careers
- Developing academic, business, and community partnerships

We are hosting a gathering for anyone who cares about and/or can help us build dynamic STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) learning experiences, career preparation, and partnerships in our region.

Please join us on: Thursday, January 24, 2013

Location: Memorial Brain Works Leighton Center, 534 N. Michigan St., South Bend, IN.

Here’s the agenda for January 24:
5:30-6:00 Food and casual mingle
6:00-6:45 Intro, overview, and MSTCi’s vision
6:45-7:30 Small group conversations

RSVP yes: mstci2012@gmail.com, 574-647-2107

In recent years, advocates for Michiana STEM have promoted the idea of coordinating efforts for the benefit of the community. Sometimes the impetus has been a common opportunity, such as dialogue about the repurposing of the College Football Hall of Fame. Other times the notion gained traction from a common experience, such as the regional celebration of the 2012 transit of Venus.

If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to contribute a written statement to the effort, please send it to mstci2012@gmail.com or email it to me and I'll submit it on your behalf. Thank you for your contribution of ideas and energy to the STEM disciplines in Michiana.