



Make the Case – USMRC Annual Conference

Attending conferences provides valuable professional development opportunities, but it can be hard to make the case to your administrators for dollars to be used towards these events. US Math Recovery Council® wants to help support you in making the case for attending the 2019 USMRC Conference. Along with a letter template you can copy and customize on the next page, we've included some talking points for when you're talking to your administrative team.

Talking points to support your request:

- Register before the Early Bird Deadline for the most affordable option to save your district money
- Emphasize the specific Math Recovery skills you'd like to strengthen or develop at the conference. You will be able to customize your learning path during the conference with session guidance aimed at enhancing your current role, knowledge and experience with Math Recovery (i.e. New to Math Recovery, Math Recovery Leader and Champion track, special educators, and administrators). You can view the sessions [on our website](#)
- Switch the conversation from expense to investment: by investing in you attending the conference, you can improve your knowledge and implementation of Math Recovery principles more effectively in your school, and keep up with cutting-edge changes and advancements based on and tied to traditionally strong Math Recovery principles and pedagogy
- Offer to take detailed notes and prepare to share what you learned with your colleagues. That way others in your district will get the benefits of your attendance as well
- The Instructional Activity Showcase (IAS) has presenters demonstrate fun and creative ways to teach math activities in a round robin setting. Sign up to be a presenter and show a new teaching tool, share your management techniques, or model games/activities for colleagues to sample. (Presenters will have their name submitted into a drawing for \$100 worth of Math Recovery® Educational Products)
- Consider submitting a speaker proposal. The lead speaker of any accepted speaking proposal will receive a discount code for \$100 off the 2-day conference registration fee
- Link to Math Recovery research and practice through presentations, workshops and keynotes from Math Recovery authors, researchers and developer



SUBJECT LINE: <Insert Your Boss' Name Here>, I'd like to attend USMRC's 2019 Conference

Hello [INSERT NAME],

It is exciting to focus on improving the mathematics instruction for our students this year. I am passionate about enhancing mathematics teaching in aims to improving student mathematical skills and knowledge, which are beneficial goals for the entire school community. To help me strengthen the skills and knowledge I will need to knock this goal out of the park and generate new ideas to share with the rest of our team, I would love to attend the [US Math Recovery Council@ 2019 Conference](#). Attending will enable me to discover new ways to [FILL IN].

The US Math Recovery Council 2019 Conference will take place November 18 – 21 in Providence, Rhode Island. Over 200 teachers will come together for 4 days of sessions exploring a range of topics important to learning about and implementing Math Recovery, along with valuable networking opportunities with other educators using Math Recovery principles in their districts.

This conference is a great opportunity for me to interact with mathematics education researchers, engage with Math Recovery coaches, and connect with other educators on research and best practices that I can bring back to our school. I'm particularly excited about [SPECIFIC SESSION, EVENT, OR TOPIC] which I think will help us [APPLY TO YOUR WORK].

I've heard very positive things about the event. Attendees walk away with actionable tactics they can implement right away. When I return, I plan to share my takeaways and refine/develop strategies based on what I learn.

Here's a breakdown of the approximate costs:

All Four Days of the Conference: \$690*

[*Prices vary. Find out your price [using this table](#)]

Hotel: Omni Providence, he official conference hotel, is \$159/night

Airfare: [use your favorite flight booking site to determine cost]

My attendance will cost about [COST], including travel, lodging, and registration. The registration fee includes my participation in the conference, as well a continental breakfast and lunch each day of the event.

Thanks in advance for considering my request. I'd love to chat more about this opportunity and answer any questions you might have!

Best,

[FUTURE CONFERENCE ATTENDEE]