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## **NEW JERSEY SCIENCE CONVENTION Virtual 2020 – Science: The Key to the Future**

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The COVID-19 pandemic and the uncertainty of the future post-pandemic environment has presented challenges to planning the in-person **New Jersey Science Convention 2020 – Science: The Key to the Future**. After 43 years the steering committee has had to consider a safer virtual option that still aligns to our mission and goals. **New Jersey Science Convention Virtual 2020 – Science: The Key to the Future** represents a new venture into a landscape much different from previous years. With support from the NJSC Steering Committee, the 2020 convention will feature a series of presentations scheduled in October, November, January, and February.

Our mission in providing the best in science education instructional strategies for grades K-12 remains the same. This year NJSC Virtual 2020 will focus on K-12 programs that support teachers in a virtual environment and incorporate strategies to help teachers and students integrate both virtual and live instruction. As in the past, sessions will provide the latest information and trends in the Sciences and Science Education, in particular, NGSS Aligned Instruction and 3-D Assessment as well as the means for effectively incorporating both into classrooms and schools. The selected programs that span K-12 grade levels will be live virtual presentations that will be recorded and archived on our website for future reference.

The agreed upon objective for the first NJ Science Convention held at the Coachman Inn, Cranford, New Jersey on October 13 and 14, 1977 was to contribute to the improvement of the learning and teaching of science at all educational levels K-12. This continues to be our objective despite recent restrictions. We hope you will join us this year for **NJ Science Convention Virtual 2020**.