



Conference Schedule – Thursday, July 21 – Student Center				
8:00 – 8:30	Continental Breakfast (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor – Suite 2200)			
	<b>Teacher Track (TR)</b>	<b>Technical Track (TC)</b>	<b>Hub Track (HB)</b>	<b>General Track (GN)</b>
8:30 – 10:00	<b>TR1</b> – The 42 Days of BEST: Planning Your Work and Working Your Plan (Room 2216)		<b>HB1</b> – Developing Effective Training Programs (Room 2222)	
10:00 – 10:30	Break (Suite 2200)			
10:30 -- Noon	<b>TR2</b> – Elements of a Successful Team (Room 2218)		<b>HB2</b> – Fundraising Strategies and Resources for Hubs (Room 2223)	
Noon – 1:30	Luncheon (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor – Ballroom)			
1:30 – 3:00	<b>TR3</b> – Keys to Winning: Strategies for the BEST Award (Room 2216)	<b>TC1</b> – Understanding How to Use the VEX Equipment Kit (Room 2222)	<b>HB3</b> – Effective Hub Management (Room 2225)	<b>GN1</b> – Robotics Programs for K-12 Schools (Room 2227)
3:00 – 3:30	Break (Suite 2200)			
3:30 – 4:30	<b>Ask the Pros*</b> Awards & Judging (Room 2216)	<b>Ask the Pros*</b> Homeschool Teams (Room 2218)	<b>Ask the Pros*</b> Q&A for New Hubs (Room 2225)	<b>Ask the Pros*</b> New BEST Teachers (Room 2223)
<b>5:00 – 7:00</b>	<b>Exhibitors Showcase/Wine &amp; Cheese Reception</b> Terrace Room – Auburn University Hotel and Conference Center, 241 South College Street			

\* **Ask the Pros** – Q&A sessions on program-specific topics and hosted by veteran teachers and/or hub personnel.



Conference Schedule – Friday, July 22 – Student Center					
8:00 – 8:30	Continental Breakfast (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor – Suite 2200)				
8:30 – 8:45	VEX Equipment & Software Orientation Sessions – Introduction & Instructions (Rooms 2222-2223)				
	easyC (Room 2216)	ROBOTC (Room 2218)	SolidWorks (Room 2225)	MathWorks (Room 2227)	VEX (Room 2310)
8:50 – 9:20	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5
9:25 – 9:55	Group 5	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
9:55 – 10:20	Break (Suite 2200)				
10:20 – 10:50	Group 4	Group 5	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
10:55 – 11:25	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 1	Group 2
11:30 – Noon	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 1
Noon – 1:30	Networking Luncheon (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor – Ballroom)				
	Teacher Track (TR)	Technical Track (TC)	Hub Track (HB)	Why BEST and Why Now?*	
1:30 – 3:00	TR4 – Problem-Solving with the Engineering Design Process (Room 2216)	TC2 – Technical Topics for Hubs (Room 2218)	HB4 – Awards & Judging Standards and Practices (Room 2225)	An Introduction to BEST for STEM Education and Workforce Development Stakeholders (Room 2222)	
3:00 – 3:30	Break (Suite 2200)				
3:30 – 5:00	TR5 – Curriculum Integration (Room 2216)	TC3 – Understanding the Robot Design & Construction Process (Room 2218)	HB5 – Best Practices: Hub Effectiveness and Efficiency (Room 2222)	Why BEST and Why Now? <i>continued</i> (Room 2222)	
5:00 – 6:00	Reception (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor – Ballroom A)				
6:00 – 8:00	Conference Banquet (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor – Ballroom B) Keynote Speaker – Mr. Paul Wahnish, President and Founder, Career Technical Education Foundation, Inc.				



Conference Schedule – Saturday, July 23 – College of Sciences & Mathematics (COSAM) Precinct*				
8:00 – 8:30	Continental Breakfast (SCA Lobby)			
8:30 – 10:00	Software Training Workshops (Teachers)			
	easyC (Room tba)	ROBOTC (Room tba)	SolidWorks (Room tba)	MathWorks (Room tba)
	BRI Organization General Session (Hubs) (SCC 115)			
10:00 – 10:30	Break (SCA Lobby)			
10:30 – Noon	Software Training Workshops (continued)			
	BRI Organization General Session (continued)			
Noon – 1:00	Lunch (SCA Lobby)			
1:00 – 2:30	Software Training Workshops (Teachers) (workshops repeated in same rooms)			
	BRI Organization Small-Group Work Sessions (Rooms tba)			
2:30 – 3:00	Break (SCA Lobby)			
3:00 – 4:00	Software Training Workshops (continued)			
	BRI Organization Small-Group Reporting & Wrap-Up (SCC 115)			
Conference Concludes				

**\*COSAM Precinct Code**

SCA – Science Center Auditorium

SCC – Science Center Classrooms

SCL – Science Center Labs