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Dear Science Educator:

We are writing to inform you of a unique professional development opportunity for middle school and high school science educators interested in the exciting field of neuroscience.

Northwestern University's Brain Awareness Outreach organization (NUBAO), in partnership with the Chicago Chapter of the Society for Neuroscience, will host the 4th Annual Brain Awareness Teachers Workshop on Friday, February 26th, 2016, from 9:30am to 5:00pm.

The goal of the Brain Awareness Teachers Workshop is to expose middle school and high school science educators to neuroscience research, and to demonstrate through active participation in several engaging, hands-on activities, how these topics can be introduced into the classroom. **Certified teachers will receive up to seven continuing professional development units for participating.**

Workshop Structure:

- 1. Keynote lecture by Prof. Susan Goldin-Meadow, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology at the University of Chicago Title: "How Our Hands Help Us Learn"
- 2. Lunch-and-Learn seminar with Dr. Herman Fernandes, Ph.D., Postdoctoral Fellow at Northwestern University Title: *"Molecules and Memory, A Neuroscience Perspective"*
- 3. Pedagogical workshops led by NUBAO volunteers featuring hands-on neuroscience activities Topics: neuroanatomy, the sensorimotor nervous system, the chemical senses, motor learning

Details:

Participants: Middle school and high school science educators **Cost:** FREE

Date & Time: Friday, February 26th, 2016, 9:30am – 5:00pm **Lunch will be provided for workshop participants** **Location:** Wieboldt Hall, 339 E. Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611

Application Instructions:

Science educators interested in participating in the Brain Awareness Teachers Workshop must complete the short application form found at <u>www.nubrainawareness.com</u>. The application deadline is Friday, February 12th, 2016. Successful applicants will be notified promptly. Be sure to apply soon as capacity is limited.

Sincerely,

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