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DR. GEARING INVITED TO WHITE HOUSE FOR “WEEK OF MAKING” KICKOFF

DRIPPING SPRINGS, Texas—Dripping Springs ISD Superintendent Bruce Gearing is in Washington D.C., today (June 15) as part of a group of approximately 100 superintendents, principals and teachers from across the nation invited to attend a kickoff event of the “National Week of Making.”

The “education roundtable” he is attending includes presentations from the Maker Education Initiative, Digital Promise, the White House’s Office of Science and Technology Policy, and the Domestic Policy Council. Educators are participating in roundtable discussions about creating commitment and finding support to build a “Nation of Makers.”

On Sunday Dr. Gearing also attended a presentation from the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The week coincided with a National Maker Faire in Washington D.C. June 12-13, featuring makers from across the country and including participation by federal agencies and educational institutions, among others.

This event and other related initiatives are based on the premise that America has always been a nation of tinkerers, inventors, and entrepreneurs. In recent years, the rise of the Maker Movement and growing community of self-identified “Makers” is a huge opportunity for the United States.

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