

# ILLINOIS DRAFTING EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

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Dear Drafting Educator:

The Illinois Drafting Educators Association has appreciated the support of hundreds of drafting teachers for the past 30 or more years. For years, community colleges have taken on the time-consuming task of running this competition for secondary programs, and we are excited to continue this great tradition. We are again calling on you and your colleagues to participate in the **35<sup>TH</sup> IDEA Regional Drafting-Design Competition** that will be held on **Friday, March 9, 2012**, at sixteen centers across the state. *NOTE: In case of regional date conflicts, Friday, March 2, can be used as an alternate date if needed.* First and second place regional winners will be eligible to compete at our state competition to be held on **April 14, 2012**, at Illinois State University in Normal. Last year, nearly 100 teachers and 1,000 students were involved at the regional level. At the State Competition, over 60 teachers and 200 students were involved.

This year's paperwork will again be handled primarily via the IDEA web site, including regional site locations, calendar of events, rules and regulations, entry forms, and updates. Please check the web site -<http://www.idea-online.org/> and look under the [Competitions](#) link.

As a former board member, I have been involved in IDEA for many years, and helped judge the state competition at ISU. Dr. Ryan Brown at ISU will continue his role as the primary "problem" guy, and will be the main coordinator for the state competition. Richard Johansen, retired IDEA member, continues to develop architectural problems for the competition. We are looking forward to working with you to make this event a positive experience for you and your students.

Thanks again for making last year's drafting contest such a success!

Sincerely,

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