# Survey Results: 2026 FYMSiC Conference - In person?

The tribe has spoken. 2026 FYMSiC Conference will be in person.

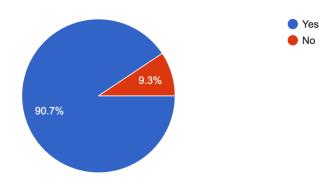
Dates: TBA

Location: Possibly McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario

Details to arrive later.

## **Question 1**

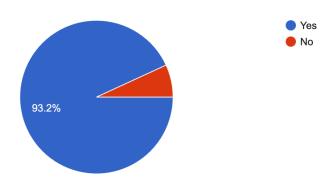
Time and finances permitting, are you willing to attend a FYMSiC in-person conference in 2026? 75 responses



## **Question 2**

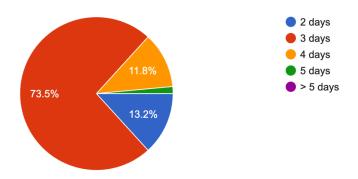
To avoid overlaps with other meetings and not to host too far into the summer, would the beginning or middle of May 2026 work for your schedule?

73 responses



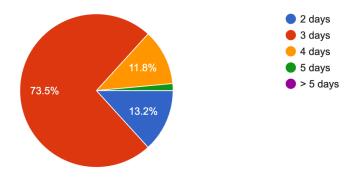
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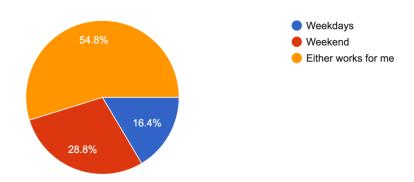
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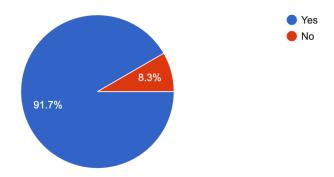
Would you prefer weekdays or weekend?

73 responses



#### **Question 6**

Previous FYMSiC in-person conferences (April 2018 in Toronto, Ontario, and May 2019 in Edmonton, Alberta) had a registration fee of \$75.00 CAD, whi...ut to get the FYMSiC community together in person. 72 responses



## **Question 7**

Are there themes that the FYMSiC in-person conference should focus on?

Learning expectations in transition from High school and gap closing

International Education

math teaching post docs, AI, Chat GPT, funding for math ed projects, academic integrity, appropriate assessments and evaluation of students, supporting high school mathematics, improving prerequisite knowledge of first year university students.

Innovation in teaching

Generative Al

- 1. Discussion on the importance of online exams and how they should be held to maintain a balance between exam credibility and inclusion.
- 2. Use of software in introductory stat courses
- 3. Auto-graded assignments and their impact on students' learning

No preference

Teaching with GenAl (assessments, incorporating into the classroom, discussion about issues around effects on learning with any research if it is available)

Maybe how to engage our students during class

Rethinking assessment in math

Math Anxiety

Improving students basic math skills and foundational knowledge, improving students motivation for math, useful technology for teaching math

Open Educational Resources, Al

First Year Math Beyond Calculus

N/A

Teaching mathematical thinking in preference to focussing on specific content

How to learn Math (Learning Strategies / Cognitive Science)

Anything but AI.

Something about blended delivery, use of video compared with in-class experiences.

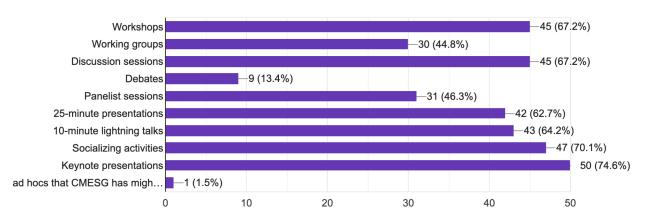
Al use in math education, teaching ethics to math students, accessibility of math teaching

Equity, Inclusion, Indigenization

## **Question 8**

Are there specific formats that you wish to see at the FYMSiC in-person conference? Please select all formats that interest you, or add something under Other.

67 responses



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Please leave any comments.

Maybe consider a hybrid format of the conference (if possible)

Panelist sessions are the best. I work too much over the week, and workshops and working groups are really not of interest!

Will be great to all get together again in person. :)

Thanks for your continued hard work!

I left days blank because for me it depends on location, I think collaborating with other groups like CMS or CMESG to mitigate travelling and resources would be helpful. I also think 10 minute talks are too short and it is hard to absorb.

Thanks for all of your hard work to keep FYMSIC going!

The registration fee needs to be kept to a minimum needed to cover expenses.

I am highly interested in the seeing the above topics included for discussion or talks.

Thanks for FYMSiC leaders!

Thanks for your hard work!

I'd love to come to a FYMSiC conference!! I didn't find you until the pandemic so I've only been to online meet ups.

Thanks

If you decide to make the conference in-person, can you either make it hybrid, record the talks for later viewing, have an online day for those who can't make it, or post slides/notes afterwards? I'd like to be in-person, but have to be realistic about whether or not I can afford 2.5 days + travelling time away from everything else that's going on.

This is a great idea and I would love to attend!

Some of the activities depend on the length. For example, I said "working groups" but I think that only makes sense for a conference at least 4 days long.

An in-person meeting would be great. Thanks for organizing!

Location is likely the biggest factor, followed by cost. Near the major cities Vancouver/Toronto, (or even Montreal/Calgary) would make it easier to travel to

Networking and problem solving are important parts of these meetings, so I'd love to have time to work (more than just talk) with people in this group.

I see a great deal of value in having an in-person meeting. I support the meeting being in person if that is what the majority wants. However, I know that I would not attend. When it is online I can attend part of it.

Would a hybrid format be possible? Thank you for organizing!

Price of accommodation is a much bigger factor than conference fee! Trying to get a block booking at a good price would help a lot.

#### Thanks!

Andie, an in-person conference is an excellent idea. I will be happy to assist you, if you need help. In case McMaster does not work out UTM is not too far.

Thanks for trying to get everyone together. I hope I can attend once the dates are announced.

I love FYMSiC, I am not the targeted audience as I work at a US institution, but finals go until late May.

The only downside with a May conference is that some people will have to deal with kids in school, or inter-session teaching. But I don't have a good alternative for you.

Thanks for organizing. An in-person meet-up sounds exciting!

#### THE END.