**PolarTREC Vision & Goals Alignment Template**

**Purpose:** *Vision & Goals Alignment* is meant to be a living document to help you integrate the PolarTREC experience with your professional vision and goals.

**Process:** Share your document with your research team and the PolarTREC Project Managers.

* List your professional goals. How can your PolarTREC experience help you reach those goals?

I feel like I am at the top of my game as an educator. I hope to use this polarTREC professional development to keep me there. This has elevated my reputation, and I welcome the challenge to continue to be the mentor, leader and role model that I have worked hard to become.

* What is your vision for integrating the PolarTREC experience into your current work?

As a Teacher of the Gifted and STEM coordinator, there is no substitute for experience. My school district prides itself on being a leader in education in Pennsylvania. Authentic knowledge, confidence to take big risks,

* What kind of support do you need from the PolarTREC community (researchers, peers, alumni, ARCUS team, etc.) to achieve this integration and reach your goals?

I could not ask for more. Literally EVERYONE with whom I have interacted has been as supportive and accommodating as possible. Everyone involved has consistently been available and stated their longterm commitment to the ongoing support and an openness to an ongoing relationship…all for the benefit of my students and science education. Who could ask for more?

* Are there specific aspects of the PolarTREC experience you want to focus on? (i.e., polar science content, nature of science, field research methods, pedagogy, science communication strategies)

I think…I’m open to new possibilities…open doors that were not options before. I was recently approached about considering a career change - but a change that is still in education. The offer was to head a large corporation’s educational STEM foundation. More to come!