

Building a Bigger Table: Equity and Inclusivity in Community Engagement..... Room #216

We live and work in beautifully diverse communities but many times our programming, outreach, and leadership don't reflect all of the people we serve. While diversity has become one of the buzz words of the decade, creating true equity and inclusion is key to a welcoming and effective educational environment as well as forming committees that really make a difference at the school and local level. In this workshop, we'll dive into the ways we can turn power structures upside down and create a big "Table" with multiple, diverse voices involved in the conversation.

Presenter: Jodi-Renee Giron

Community Café Approach – Authentic and Intentional Parent, Caretaker, Community Engagement (Part 2 of 2) Room #215

Come experience a Community Cafe teaser! We will be engaging in intentional conversations about the Cafe Approach, learning alongside current parent hosts about their experiences and the impact Cafes have had in their neighborhoods, and discovering together how this approach could be offered in your community.

Presenter: Kaitlin Roselius

NASA Activities in Your Classroom..... Room #213

NASA provides a wide range of activities for all grade levels as well as content area. My last workshop focused on hands-on, engineering-based, build something activities that teachers could incorporate into their current lessons/curriculum. The activities presented during this workshop will still include updated and new hands-on activities where you "build" something, but we will also look at other activities using a different hands-on format.

Presenter: Terresa Greenleaf

 **Creating A CONTAGIOUS Work CULTURE That Changes Lives Room #214**

A Contagious Work Culture is important for many reasons. A strong, welcome community can help adults feel safe, feel a sense of belonging, and build their sense of purpose. Even beyond these personal growth areas, a strong work community can create an environment where individual want to stay instead you looking for another job.

Presenter: LaRon Henderson

 **Youth Entrepreneurship Beyond Pitch Competition Room #212**

Youth entrepreneurship education is emerging as a new framework to provide youth with opportunities to explore entrepreneurial careers, develop 21st skills, and connect with communities. Upstarts was developed as a placebased educational program to cultivate a sense of connection to community and to help youth gain entrepreneurship skills and business acumen. This session will offer chances to learn about the program that brings in-depth engagement between youth and local businesses and the best practices of how youth as agents of changes contribute to community vitality and wellbeing.

Presenters: Surin Kim & Maria de Guzman

 **Emerging Models: Using High School and College Students to Support Programs Room #211**

COVID-19 has challenged the ability of afterschool programs across Nebraska and the country to secure personnel to adequately staff their work. But what if the answer to school-based afterschool and summer school programs was hiding in plain sight, in your nearby high school? Through use of high school students as core program staff, we can both provide motivated, enthusiastic staff necessary to meet program needs at the same time we are growing the future youth development workforce. This session will profile a successful models of high school student staffing currently being used in Lexington as well as opportunities and challenges for future expansion statewide.

Presenters: Patricia Sanchez & Sandra Day

Kit workshop: "Fall" in Love with Trees! Project Learning Tree K-2 Workshop..... Room #210



Learn new strategies for engaging students in outdoor, environmental experiences! Gain access to Project Learning Tree's Sensational Trees Guide featuring three activities for K-2 that invite young learners to investigate trees using their senses. Exploring nature is a complete sensory experience, and trees also provide a natural focal point for sensory explorations. Participants will receive a certificate for 1 hour of in-service credit for childcare licensing and leave the session ready to "Fall" in Love with Trees this autumn.

Presenter: Jack Hilgert

 **Building Multi-media Capacity to Provide Innovative Programming in STEMRoom #209**

The session aims to equip attendees with new skills to engage youth in STEM programming. The session is interactive in nature, as attendees will conduct a STEM activity for use in afterschool programming that is hands on, minds on learning. Attendees will then learn about multi-media directions for the activity to provide higher levels of engagement for youth (e.g. cartoon characters, gamifications, featured lab space/career videos).

Presenters: Nik Stevenson & Hayley Jurek