

2018 National Family and Community Engagement Conference

Ohio-Based Organizations

Session 1 Workshops – 3:30-4:45pm

Coaching Our Children to Academic Success, Room 16

Strand: Promote Inclusion, Ensure Equity and Create Opportunity Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Cynthia DeVese, District Coordinator, Minority Student Achievement, Westerville City Schools/Client Impact, LLC; Sharon Butler, Former School Administrator (Cleveland Metropolitan Schools District, Columbus City Schools, and Dayton Public Schools)

Content, Community, & Collaboration in Cleveland: Local Public Media Partnerships in Early Learning, Room 17

Strand: Relationship Building and Trust Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Devon Steven, Director, Ready To Learn Community Engagement; Laurie Switzer, Community Engagement and Education Coordinator, WVIZ/PBS ideastream; Thea Wilson, Vice President for Children and Families, The Council for Economic Opportunities in Greater Cleveland

Don't Be Afraid of Data - Getting Started with Evaluating Engagement, Room 24

Strand: Research, Evaluation and Data Collection Level: Advanced

Presenter: Amanda Klein, Owner/Consultant, Structured Solutions, LLC

Family Engagement - An Integrated Approach, Room 25B

Strand: Integrated, Systemic Approaches Level: Advanced

Presenters: Tracy Hill, Executive Director, Office of Family and Community Engagement, Cleveland Metropolitan School District; Karen Thompson, Deputy Chief of Curriculum and Instruction, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

Organizing, Advocacy, and Policy Strategies for Black Parents in Ohio, Room 26C

Strand: Parent Leadership, Advocacy and Community Organizing Level: Entry-Level

Presenters: H.A. Jabar, Director, Racial Justice NOW!; Zakiya Sankara-Jabar, National Field Organizer, Dignity in Schools Campaign

Shifting Attitudes and Efficacy Beliefs about Partnering with Families Through Teacher PD, Room 22

Strand: Research, Evaluation, & Data Collection

Level: Advanced

Presenters: Dr. Meredith Wellman, Program and Data Specialist, The Ohio State University; Dr. Barbara Boone, Program Director, The Ohio State University

Strong Family and Community Partnerships: First Friday Celebrations!, Room 15

Strand: Relationship Building and Trust

Level: Entry-Level

Presenters: Lori Kochan, Assistant Principal, Dueber Reading and Math Preparatory School; Meghan Schauer, Intervention Specialist, Dueber Reading and Math Preparatory School

The Lunch Tray- Aligning Resources for Student Success, Room 26A

Strand: Relationship Building and Trust

Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Nolan Hensel, Community Hub Director, University of Toledo; Theresa Mariea, Teacher Leader, Toledo Public Schools; Tracy Lusic, Social Worker, Toledo Public Schools; James Jones, Principal, Toledo Public Schools

Session 2 Workshop – 10:45am – 12:00pm

A Strong Parent Voice + New Engagement Ideas = Student Success, Room 25B

Strand: Parent Leadership, Advocacy and Community Organizing

Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Ann Bohman, President, Families Are Important LLC; Susan Hans, President, Ohio PTA; Amy Weinberg, Manager, Programs & Partnerships, National PTA

Early Language and Literacy - Partnerships That Matter, Room 11

Strand: Early Learning and Literacy

Level: Entry-Level

Presenters: Marsha Greenfeld, Senior Program Facilitator, National Network of Partnership Schools; Catherine Thomas, Family Engagement Coordinator, Starting Point

Engaging Communities in New School Design: Lessons Learned from Cleveland (CMSD), Room 21

Strand: Parent Leadership, Advocacy and Community Organizing

Level: Entry-Level

Presenters: Angela Shaker, Executive Director of Portfolio Engagement, Cleveland Metropolitan School District; Ameer El-Mallawany, Principal, Campus International High School

Good Good-Byes and Hellos: Seeing Families and Children Through Successful Kindergarten Transitions, Room 19

Strand: Early Learning and Literacy Level: Entry-Level

Presenters: Dr. Barbara Boone, Program Director, The Ohio State University; Anita Armstrong, Assistant Director, Head Start Collaboration Director, Office of Early Learning and School Readiness, Ohio Department of Education

Public Libraries: Vital Partners in Family Engagement, Room 9

Strand: Early Learning and Literacy Level: Entry-Level

Presenters: Scott G. Allen, MS, Deputy Director, Public Library Association; Felton Thomas, Director, Cleveland Public Library

RedTreehouse.org: Engaging and Connecting Families Using Technology, Room 26B

Strand: Parent Leadership, Advocacy and Community Organizing Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Jeanine Carroll, M.Ed., Director of Marketing and Outreach, Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland; Joyce Calland, M.A., State Youth Treatment (YT-I) Project Coordinator, Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services; Helen Livingston Rapp, Esq., Parent, Advocate and Volunteer, Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland

Systems, Structures and Strategies: The Journey to Implement Systemic Family Engagement, Room 16

Strand: Integrated, Systemic Approaches Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Jenni Brasington, Senior Director, FACE Services, Scholastic Education; Ron Mirr, Senior Vice President, FACE and Learning Supports, Scholastic Education, Sandee Donald, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, Columbus City Schools

Walk this Way: Supporting Students Getting to School, Room 22

Strand: Relationship Building and Trust Level: Entry-Level

Presenters: Calley Mersmann, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, Cleveland City Planning Commission; Freddy Collier, Jr., Director, Cleveland City Planning Commission; Marka Fields, Chief Planner, Cleveland City Planning Commission

Session 3 Workshops – 2:00pm - 3:15pm

Get 2 School, You Can Make It! – What Everyone Needs to Know About School Attendance, Room 15

Strand: Relationship Building and Trust Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Lorri Hobson, Director of Attendance, Cleveland Metropolitan School District; Cecelia Leong, Associate Director of Programs, Attendance Works

Building Reading Mentors with Parents and Families: A View into the Cleveland Pilot Program, Room 24

Strand: Early Learning and Literacy Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Judith Lozada, FACE Manager, Cleveland Metropolitan School District; Amy Freeman, M4RA Program Director, Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities

PBIS Family Engagement Rubrics: Tools for Deepening Partnerships with Families, Room 19

Strand: Integrated, Systemic Approaches Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Dr. Barbara Boone, Program Director, The Ohio State University; Marla Peachock, State Support Team 4

Session 4 Workshops – 3:45pm – 5:00pm

Engaging Families Through Individual Plan of Studies and Family Resource Centers, Room 26B

Strand: Relationship Building and Trust Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Amber Torres-González, Site Coordinator- Family Resource Center, Painesville City Local Schools; Dr. Josh Englehart, Assistant Superintendent, Painesville City Local Schools; Dr. Jane Groff, Consultant, Director, Kansas Parent Information Resource Center (KPIRC); Dr. Anthony Pizzuti, PhD State Support Team

How District Leadership Supports Family and Community Engagement, Room 8

Strand: Integrated, Systemic Approaches Level: Entry-Level

Presenters: Marsha Greenfeld, Senior Program Facilitator, National Network of Partnership Schools; Steven Sheldon, Director of Research, National Network of Partnership Schools; Catherine Thomas, Family Engagement Coordinator, Starting Point

If They Don't See Your Brown Face, They Assume You Don't Care!, Room 21

Strand: Promote Inclusion, Ensure Equity and Create Opportunity Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Karen Parker Thompson, Engaging by Design; Keami Harris, National Association for Family, School, and Community Engagement

Parent Programs that Build Community and Empower Parents, Room 26C

Strand: Relationship Building and Trust Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Jane Harris, Director of Parent Engagement, Link Education Consulting, Inc.; Rebecca Rumsey, Director of Research and Communications, Link Education Consulting, Inc.

Session 5 Workshops – 9:15am - 10:30am

Advocacy Around Every Student Succeeds Act: How Can You Involve Families?, Room 13

Strand: Parent Leadership, Advocacy and Community Organizing Level: Mid-Level

Presenter: Michele Pomerantz, Policy and Labor Liaison, Cleveland Schools

Beyond the IEP: Partnering with Families to Develop Meaningful Transition Plans, Room 8

Strand: Promote Inclusion, Ensure Equity and Create Opportunity. Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Teresa L. Kobelt, MSW, LSW - Program Director, Family Center, OCALI; Chris Filler, Program Director, Lifespan Transition Center, OCALI

Building the WE to Engage Students, Families and Communities, Room 20

Strand: Promote Inclusion, Ensure Equity and Create Opportunity Level: Mid-Level

Presenter: Brittany Pope, Coordinator of Applied Clinical Sciences, Ohio GuideStone

Early Learning and Literacy in Public Libraries, Room 14

Strand: Early Learning and Literacy Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Pamela Jankowski, Director of Literacy and Learning, Cuyahoga County Public Library/Family Place Learning Center; Emily Stupica, School Psychologist

Engaging Families for Student Academic Success, Room 26C

Strand: Integrated, Systemic Approaches Level: Mid-Level

Presenter: Jacqueline Lamb, Family and Community Engagement Coordinator, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

Engaging Families in the Transition to Kindergarten, Room 26B

Strand: Early Learning and Literacy Level: Mid-Level

Presenters: Hillary Thomas, Early Learning Partner and Transition Coordinator, CMSD; Nicole Vitale, Director of Early Childhood, CMSD