

Call for Proposals

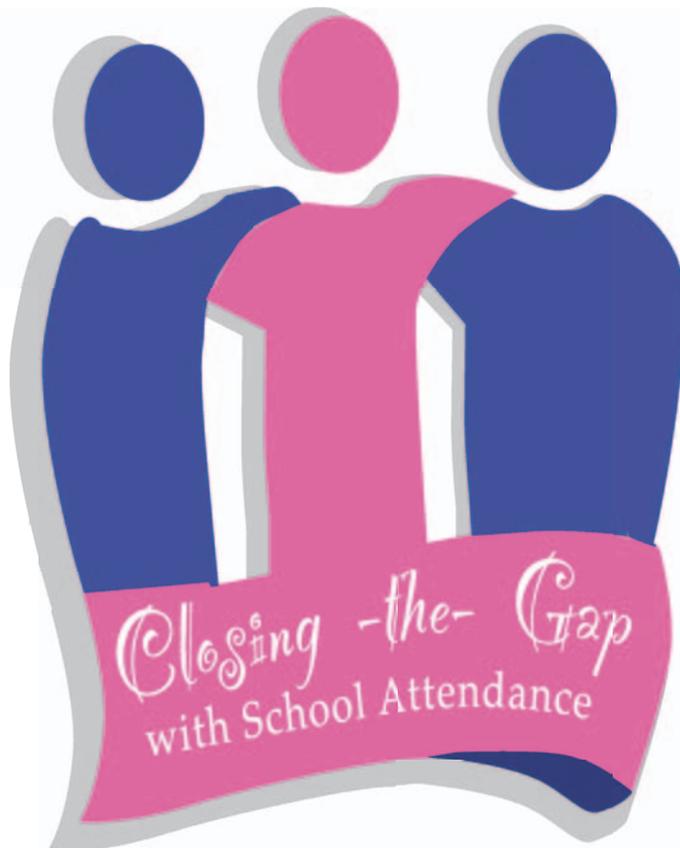


January 25-26, 2005
at the Doubletree Hotel,
Universal Orlando

Twelfth Annual School Attendance Symposium

showcasing

**Proven
Practices**



The New Department of
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Florida Department of Education
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The Florida Network
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Florida Association of School Resource Officers

Symposium information is available online at:
<http://sss.usf.edu/html/2005symp.htm>

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The Florida Department of Education (DOE), the Student Support Services Project, and the Florida Association of School Social Workers (FASSW), in collaboration with a host of agencies and associations, are now accepting proposals for the Twelfth Annual School Attendance Symposium, January 25-26, 2005, at The Doubletree Hotel, Universal Orlando.



The School Attendance Symposium provides a statewide forum for sharing and promoting proven practices that positively impact school attendance and student achievement. The program agenda will also include information updates on state and federal requirements that impact school attendance policy, and district implementation. This year's symposium will showcase and recognize selected Florida exemplary programs that demonstrate the essential components of evidenced-based practices as determined by the selection committee.

Invitees include teachers, principals, parents, school social workers, attendance specialists, school counselors, school health coordinators, dropout prevention contacts, school psychologists, district administrators, juvenile justice agencies, CINS/FINS agencies, law enforcement, school resource officers, safe and drug-free schools, state attorneys, juvenile judges, community agency providers, child protection service providers, PTA/PTO organizations, court administrators, and other interested parties.

This year's day-and-a-half program includes three general sessions and a variety of 75-minute concurrent breakout presentations.

Priority will be given to proposals embodying this year's theme, "Closing the Gap with School Attendance: The Best in Proven Practices," and to proposals whose contents are consistent with Strands A-F listed at right. Highest priority will be given to proposals that embody the specific theme of Strand F (focus on local and state initiatives that demonstrate evidence-based interventions and/or enforcement programs that link school attendance to student achievement).

To enhance the total benefit of the symposium to local communities, we encourage proposals that reflect collaboration with local school district and community partners.



Don't miss this opportunity to showcase your programs' success!

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION IS SEPTEMBER 10, 2004.

Presenter Requirements

Proposals must be postmarked by September 10, 2004.

Selected presenters are required to supply their handout material as an email attachment (PDF or MS Word) no later than November 19, 2004.

Handouts will be duplicated and compiled into a sourcebook for each registered symposium participant. Please do not submit a proposal if you are unable to supply the requested handout information by November 19, 2004.

Presentations are to be conducted by those persons listed on the application form.

A registration brochure will be mailed to selected presenters with notification of acceptance. All presenters are required to register for the symposium. The registration fee for the primary presenter will be waived.

General Information

Concurrent breakout sessions are scheduled on Days 1 and 2. A select number of sessions will be repeated.

Each proposal is reviewed as an application to present. Presenters will be notified of selection by October 3, 2004. The first named (primary) presenter will receive notification. We request that co-presenters be notified by the primary presenter.

The symposium planning committee may, at its discretion, ask for presentation format revisions through the primary presenter to ensure program balance and continuity.

Presentations

Presentations are grouped by general content themes and organized by Strands A-F as follows:

Strand A: Student — academic achievement, behavioral, social/emotional, peer mentoring

Strand B: Parent/family — training, parent support, outreach and engagement, conferencing, individualized/tailored care, communication, parent involvement, student retention

Strand C: School/teacher/classroom — positive school culture, teacher strategies, supportive classrooms, intervention, school re-entry and retention, problem solving, mentoring, mediation, support groups, alternative programs, prevention, collaboration

Strand D: Community — partnerships, school-based services, collaboration, truancy court, intervention, prevention, mediation, juvenile justice, referral and advocacy, law enforcement, judiciary

Strand E: Policy/system — legislation, rules, laws, funding, board rule, penalties/sanctions

Strand F: Focus — local and state initiatives that demonstrate evidence-based best-practices that include evaluation data, viable collaborations, and adequate funding.

REGISTRATION MATERIALS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN AUGUST.



Proposal Application Form



Concurrent breakout sessions are 75 minutes in length. **Select presentations will be repeated on Day 2.** The deadline for proposal submission is **September 10, 2004**. Presenters will be notified of selection by October 3, 2004, and are required to submit a copy of their handout material for the symposium source book in PDF or MS Word format by November 19, 2004.

TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

Proposal Title _____

Please indicate the strand that best describes your presentation content:

___ Strand A ___ Strand B ___ Strand C ___ Strand D ___ Strand E ___ Strand F

Are you willing to repeat this presentation: Yes ___ No ___

Grade Level Addressed: Elementary ___ Middle ___ High ___

Name of primary presenter _____

Mailing address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone (work) _____ (home) _____

Fax _____ Email _____

Name of co-presenter(s) (attach additional sheet if necessary) _____

Mailing address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone (work) _____ (home) _____

Fax _____ Email _____

PRESENTATION SUMMARY (Please describe the content of this presentation on a separate page in 75-150 words as you wish it to be published in the Symposium Sourcebook.)

AUDIO/VISUAL NEEDS

Presenters will be responsible for audio/visual needs other than choices below.

___ TV/VCR ___ Overhead Projector

Mail or fax completed proposal application form by September 10, 2004, to:
Attendance Symposium • 310 Blount Street, Suite 215 • Tallahassee, FL 32301 • Fax: (850) 921-4752
Or apply on-line at <http://sss.usf.edu/html/2005symp.htm>



NEW PROVEN PRACTICES AWARD!

To nominate a program for the Proven Practices Award Recognition, submit a nomination form on-line at <http://sss.usf.edu/newaward.htm>.



Hotel Information

Accommodations: The Twelfth Annual School Attendance Symposium will be held at **The Doubletree Hotel**, Universal Orlando, located 20 minutes from Orlando International Airport. **Reservations: To make reservations, contact The Doubletree Hotel, Universal Orlando at (800) 327-2110.** A block of rooms has been reserved for the symposium at the special rate of \$95 per night plus tax for single/double occupancy. Be sure to mention you are attending the DOE Twelfth Annual School Attendance Symposium to receive this rate. The deadline for making hotel reservations at this special rate is December 17, 2004.

Tentative Agenda

DAY 1 — Tuesday, January 25

- 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Pre-Registration/Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. General Session
Welcome
Keynote Address
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. General Session II
NCLB/AYP Requirements
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Lunch
- 12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. Break
- 2:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Break
- 3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Welcome Reception

DAY 2 — Wednesday, January 26

- 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Pre-Registration/Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 9:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. General Session III
Best Practices in School Attendance
Program Award Recognition



Student achievement and regular attendance are everyone's responsibility!



Who should participate?

- teachers
- principals
- parents
- school social workers
- attendance specialists
- school counselors
- school health coordinators
- dropout prevention contacts
- school psychologists
- district administrators
- juvenile justice agencies
- CINS/FINS agencies
- law enforcement
- school resource officers
- state attorneys
- juvenile judges
- community agency providers
- child protection services providers
- PTA/PTO organizations
- court administrators
- safe & drug free-schools
- drug-free communities grantees

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