



Out-of-School Time Professional Development Day For Iowa's Afterschool Leaders

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Holiday Inn & Suites I-29
2202 River Rd, Council Bluffs, IA

10:00 – 10:30 Welcome and Introductions

10:40 – 11:40 Breakout Session #1

A: Writing a Successful 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant

Vic Jaras, Iowa Department of Education

Learn key fundamentals of grant writing and how these are incorporated into a 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant application. Learn how your sustainability plan and your professional development plan can be used to improve your narrative, how community partners improve the strength of your application, and tips and tricks for grant writing. In the past 30 years, Vic has worked with local nonprofits, state and federal agencies, school districts and higher education on grants. Vic has been a reviewer for the Michigan and Iowa Departments of Education, the Iowa School Board Association, and the Iowa Agriculture Literacy Foundation.

B: Connect Beef, Corn and Soybeans to....Reading!

Melanie Bruck, Iowa Agriculture Literacy Foundation and Loess Hills Agriculture in the Classroom

Take a tour through an Iowa beef farm with the popular children's book *My Family's Beef Farm*. This non-fiction text is perfect for 3rd grade readers, can be used for read-alouds with younger students, or as independent study with older students. Participate in the hands on activities that make this real and relevant for learners. Discover why we raise cattle in Iowa. Find out what cattle eat. And begin to understand the farm-to-fork story of our Iowa agriculture.

11:50 – 12:50 Working Lunch

1:00 – 2:00 Breakout Session #2

A: Brain State Basics

Melanie Seier, et. al., St. Mark Youth Enrichment

This session is an overview of the brain and will train attendees on how to troubleshoot student behaviors and teach students regulation skills. The session is applicable for anyone who works directly with students. St. Mark leaders present the content as a "train the trainer" session so attendees walk away with tools to take back to train their site staff on how to deal with student behaviors.

B: Streamline Your Efforts: Boosting Family Engagement

Mallory Riesberg, Central Iowa OST Enrichment Coach

How many times have you thought about everything on your to do list and just thought "there is not enough time in the day"? Between program planning, managing a budget, scheduling community partners, working with staff and students, and the millions of other things we do it

can be overwhelming to think about anything outside of the afterschool program hours. Often, this can make engaging families a challenge. In this session, we will discuss a variety of family engagement strategies as well as how to streamline your efforts to build in the family engagement piece in your programming while providing a meaningful and authentic experience for your students and their families.

2:10-3:10

Breakout Session #3

A: Middle School Task Force 21CCLC RFA Feedback Session

Facilitated by Vic Jaras, Iowa Department of Education

We want to make sure that our application provides equity to all. Iowa has created small task forces to discuss the language of the application, listen to concerns, add language into the application, and provide transparency and communication that helps us get better each year. This is your opportunity to have your voice heard and contribute to the next application.

B: Literacy in OST Programs

Theresa Slaughter, Central Iowa OST Enrichment Coach

In this session, participants will be given another perspective on ways literacy is all around us. Participants will be led through group discussions that will contribute to a standard definition for what literacy can be along with various hands-on activities.