

CASCWA DELTA SIERRA SECTION PRESENTS

ANNUAL SPRING SYMPOSIUM

“MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE VULNERABLE STUDENT”

Achievement Gap – Safe Schools – Homeless and Foster Youths

May 15-17, 2010

Embassy Suites Hotel and Ski Resort

South Lake Tahoe, California

During these difficult times in education where budget cuts, school closures and program reductions are inevitable and rampant, the focus still needs to be on our students. This unique Symposium will provide guidance on how to address those needs, particularly for those students that are the most vulnerable to falling through the cracks, despite the harsh economic realities that schools and districts face today.

The Symposium focuses on three main strands, addressing how schools and districts can close the *achievement gap*, how to create *safe schools* for all students, and how to provide appropriate services to *homeless and foster youths*. Each strand in the Symposium features several breakout workshops that address issues and topics within a specific strand. Additionally, breakout sessions will be available to address funding issues in light of our current economic crisis.

The Keynote Speakers at the Symposium are Dr. Francisco Reveles and Dalton Dyer. Dr. Reveles is a nationally recognized speaker and Chair of the Educational Leadership and Policy Studies at the California State University, Sacramento. Mr. Dyer is an inspirational student speaker, currently a Senior at Placer High School, and is a semi-finalist in the National RUDY Awards.

Above all, the Delta-Sierra Section encourages you to attend the Symposium because we are confident that CASCWA events and conferences afford all participants the following perks:

- Keep up-to-date on education issues, trends and findings
- Ask questions of our experts in their fields within Child Welfare and Attendance (CWA)
- Participate in professional development workshops led by experts throughout the State
- Receive legislative updates related to CWA issues
- Provide means for students-at-risk to receive scholarships
- Develop your personal leadership skills
- Learn strategies to improve the educational success of all students
- Receive the “Intercom,” the official CASCWA State Newsletter
- Opportunity to Network! Network! Network!

Please note that as the strands focus on areas that are supported through Federal funds, participants may utilize Title I, Title IV, McKinney-Vento, and ARRA funds to attend the Symposium.

“Meeting the Needs of the Vulnerable Student”

BREAKOUT SESSIONS BY STRANDS

Achievement Gap

The Parent Factor: An Underutilized Resource in Closing the Achievement Gap

Octavio Castelo, Parent Education Specialist
Los Angeles County Office of Education

Improving School Attendance

Debi Sterling, School Nurse
Woodland Joint Unified School District

Developing a District Plan for Implementation of RTI2 for Academics and Behavior

John Cunnion, Director of Pupil Services
Woodland Joint Unified School District

Increasing Graduation Rates: A District-wide Approach

Maria Hwang de Bravo, Consultant II
Los Angeles County Office of Education

Student Support

Career Technical Education (CTE) Pathways Manual

Eric Pomeroy, Coordinator, Tri-counties ROP
Sutter County Superintendent of Schools

Integration of Mental Health Systems into Schools

Tad Kitada, Director of Prevention Services
Placer County Office of Education

What Would You Do with \$5 Million? Finding and Getting Grants to Serve Your Most Vulnerable Students

Veronica Robbins
Creative Resources & Research

Analysis of Governor’s May Revise, Impact of Non Funding of Mandated Costs Reimbursements

School Innovations and Advocacy

Safe Schools

District-wide Discipline Program

Debbie Morris, Director of Student Services
Woodland Joint Unified School District

Current Drug Trends

John Villagon
California State Juvenile Officers Association

Cyberbullying and Sexting

Maria Hwang de Bravo, Consultant II
Los Angeles County Office of Education

Safe School & Emergency Services Plan and Procedures

John DeBeaux, Emergency Services Manager
Sutter County Community Services Dept. & Grace Espindola, Programs Coordinator II
Sutter County Superintendent of Schools

Homeless and Foster Youth

Coordination of Homeless Programs

Leanne Wheeler, Consultant
California Department of Education

Homelessness: What Every Parent Should Know

Deirdre Skelton, Program Manager
Los Angeles County Office of Education

Homeless & Foster Youths Rights and Services

Grace Espindola, Programs Coordinator II, Virginia Burns, Intervention Specialist, & Paulo Perez, Intervention Support Specialist
Sutter County Superintendent of Schools

What’s Law Got to Do, Got to Do With It? How the Law Can Assist Homeless and At-risk Youth
Katy Saehler & Kristi Link-Crosier
Legal Services of Northern California

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Registration Form

Name: _____ Title: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Email: _____

Agency/District/School: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Conference Registration Fee: \$150 (Please make checks payable to: CASCWA)

Mail completed registration form & check to:

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✂ Hotel Information ✂

The special room rate at \$139.00 will be available until April 16th or until the group block is sold-out, whichever comes first. For reservations, please visit the personalized group webpage: *(The conference rate is available starting Friday, May 14th – Must call the Hotel directly.)*

<http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/TAHCAES-CWA-20100515/index.jhtml>

Group Name: CASCWA Delta Sierra Section

Group Code: CWA

Check-in: 15-May 2010

Check-out: 17-May 2010

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