

## 2022 MAACCE BREAKOUT SESSIONS

**TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2022**

**Session 1: 3:15 pm – 4:00 pm**

### **Building Community**

#### ***(Extended Session – Sessions #1 & #2)***

Building Community focuses on promoting a climate in which youth can feel part of a group. Community building can take place in both structured and unstructured ways. Structured avenues include welcomes, icebreakers, problem-solving games, trust games, name games, and partner activities.

Participants will

- a. Explore the ways in which they can build community with youth.
- b. Explore ways to provide youth with opportunities to develop a sense of belonging.
- c. Understand the difference between icebreakers, energizers, name games and bonding games.
- d. Understand the stages of group development.

Presenter: Carl Wade – Caring Communities Program Specialist, LINC (Local Investment Commission)

Categories: Afterschool

### **GED TO PHD: THE STORY BEHIND THE DATA**

Craig's mom abused drugs, his father wasn't present, he overcame a learning disability as a special education student. Craig repeated 3rd and 5th grade before dropping out in the 10th grade. Craig has a truly inspiring story, and his journey from GED to PhD is one that will have you motivated to go out and achieve greatness. In this engaging session participants will unlearn perceived fallacies about students who deal with trauma and come from poverty. Craig's trademark slogan, GED to PHD is a concrete paradigm that educators should never give up on any student.

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### **Helping Students Bridge the Financial Gap**

After federal grants and loans, college scholarships, and state aid, many students and families still face a financial aid gap when trying to pay for college. Private scholarships and other resources are available to help students and families fill this gap! Come to this session to learn more about how your students may benefit from programs offered by the Missouri Scholarship & Loan Foundation (MSLF) and other private scholarship providers through My Scholarship Central. My Scholarship Central is a free resource that connects students to the online applications to the major scholarship providers throughout the state of Missouri.

Presenter: Alexandria Miller – Scholarship Program Manager, Missouri Scholarship & Loan Foundation

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### **Implementing a Digital Curriculum: The Partnership between Literacy KC and BurlingtonEnglish**

Join BurlingtonEnglish as we spotlight our partnership with Literacy KC. Learn about Literacy KC's success using BurlingtonEnglish as their core curriculum and hear from Karen Wright, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, as they share how implementing Burlington has helped transform their ESL program into a technology-rich, blended learning community, effectively motivating students and leading to improved student performance. Learn how Burlington's customization of professional development and extensive teacher support has contributed to the successful implementation.

Presenters: April Lawton – Customer Manager, Burlington English  
Karen Wright - Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Literacy KC

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## **Innovation in Workplace Literacy and Career Pathway Programs for English Learners**

Let's explore innovations in English to career pathway programs, pre-apprenticeships, digital literacy needs and workplace literacy programs. Blended and virtual programs that leverage adaptive, mobile technologies can help you to reach more students, accelerate proficiency gains, and help your English language learners in connecting with employment opportunities.

Presenter: Tadd Wamester – Director of Partnerships, EnGen

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## ~~**LACES - Using Data to Improve Instruction**~~

~~In this presentation, directors and teachers will learn how to use the reports in LACES to help improve instruction. Attendees will learn how to run reports to determine when and in what subject a student should post-test in.~~

~~Presenter: Mary Grott – AEL Director, Parkway AEL~~

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## **Launched Your STEM Program to New Levels**

Come learn how to elevate your STEM activities within your programs using the STEM PQA as an observation-based measure. We will discuss how staff can support their STEM activities through scientific reasoning, observation, measurement, and representation. There will be hands-on examples of how to put in practice facilitation skills to expand students' understanding of STEM.

Presenters: Lynna Lawson – Afterschool Regional Educator, Missouri Afterschool Network  
Anne Reeder – Coordinator, Missouri Afterschool Network

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## **Poverty Simulation**

### ***(Extended Session – Sessions #1 & #2)***

The Poverty Simulation is an interactive experience that helps individuals begin to understand what life is like with a shortage of money and an abundance of stress. It moves people to think about the harsh realities of poverty and to talk about how communities can address the problem collectively.

Presenters: Missouri Ozarks Community Action

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## **Session 2: 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm**

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## **Education provides a World of Opportunities**

Options are plentiful for justice involved individuals who take advantage of programming opportunities prior to release from an institution. Missouri legally mandates the pursuit of a high school equivalency while incarcerated. From there students may pursue a variety of Career and Tech education programs and/or college degrees. We will provide an overview of the options while incarcerated. Next, we will look at the process of engaging with employers to inform them of the Career and Tech opportunities offered while incarcerated, the pathway of connecting individuals with these trainings to potential institutional jobs within these domains; and how to connect with employers within these industries and beyond after release.

Presenters: Stephanie Thomas – Education Zone Manager, Missouri Department of Correction  
Heather Albach – Missouri Department of Corrections

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## **Infusing Intentionality into Your Equity and Inclusion Efforts**

If the last few years have taught us anything about equity and inclusion work, it is two different things: equity and inclusion work matters, and the infrequent, themed-month program just isn't enough anymore. Our team's approach is weaving equity and inclusion into everything an organization does - policies, practices, and programming. This program is for those who want to create intentionally equitable and inclusive environments where people more than belong – they matter.

Presenters: Christina Parle – Co-Lead, Founder, Social Responsibility Speaks  
Suzette Walden Cole – Co-Lead, Founder, Social Responsibility Speaks

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## **Take Your Distance Education Offerings to the Next Level**

Adult educators and administrators continue to face challenges in adjusting to distance learning in their classrooms while providing quality and continuous instruction. Join us for a look at the brand-new Distance Education Guide from Essential Education, a tool designed to equip you with the knowledge, skills, and action steps to move your adult education program forward. Filled with activities, evaluations, and space for reflection and deep learning, each unit provides instruction in current research, best practices, and tools that will enhance your teaching and administration. Plan to join us for an interactive look at the key concepts of this guide and a walkthrough of some of the many ways it can be practically implemented on your own or with a cohort.

Presenter: AJ Crowell – Educator Support Specialist, Essential Education

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## **The HiSET Program and Resources in 2022**

In this session, you will learn about:

- Basics of the HiSET Exam, our products and services
- New aspects of our HiSET Program and alliances to benefit students on the college or career pathway
- Resources to help adult ed teachers better prepare their HSE students
- Best practices for testing accommodation applications and taking the HiSET Exam at Home or in a test center

We'll save time for the important questions attendees might have about new things at the HiSET Program and how best to serve their students on their road to success. This presentation will allow adult ed program staff the chance to learn about the useful resources available for students and educators. Attendees will learn the best practices when using our HiSET resources and following our HiSET policies. This session is highly recommended for current and new users of the HiSET exam.

Presenter: Tanya Haug – National Sr. Director, HiSET, PSI

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## **TRAUMA IMPACTS ADULT LEARNERS: HERE'S WHY**

If you build it, they will come. Think again. Nationally, adult education and literacy providers are only serving approximately 10% of the population in need. Come hear what one of these dropouts has to say about his experience transitioning from K-12 to Adult Learning. Learn how to avoid common learning pitfalls like wasting the first 10 minutes of an adult learner's first day. Craig's trademark slogan, GED to PHD is a concrete paradigm that adult educators should never give up on any adult student.

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## **You Gotta Laugh! - The Power of Humor and Laughter**

Laughter is the BEST medicine for all that ails us! Research proves the physical, mental, and social-emotional benefits of laughter. In this fun and engaging session, we will briefly explore these benefits and then practice a variety of ways to keep humor and laughter in our personal and professional lives! ROTFL guaranteed!

Presenter: Clint Darr – Resource Center Coordinator, Missouri Afterschool Network

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