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HAPPY FALL!

Dear Site Coordinator (if you are a Grant Manager or Program Director please forward to your Site Coordinators)

WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU ABOUT TOPICS FOR SITE COORDINATOR FUN FRIDAYS AND SUPER SATURDAYS: TAKE 5 MINUTES NOW!

These are opportunities for you to meet up with fellow Site Coordinators across the county! They are held in the morning so you can get to site (Friday) or have weekend time for yourself (Saturday)

Please take 5 minutes to complete the following survey to let us know what topics you would like to have covered at these meetings:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/86VQWCH>

Thanks in advance for providing your input!

1. CDE UPDATE

- A. Expanded Learning Summit in [San Diego - October 4th](#): hit this link to register
Hilton San Diego Mission Valley

The Summits will include:

- FREE registration! In an effort to maximize space and exposure, we ask that you PLEASE cancel your registration if you register and are no longer able to attend. **Cancel registration**
- An opening plenary with guest speakers.
- Parking for registered participants on the day of the Summit is FREE.
- Morning refreshments and lunch will be provided.

If you are able to attend the Pre-Summit event on the night of October 3, 2019 please stop by the Los Angeles County information table to introduce yourself and get a SWAG bag from the Expanded Learning Technical Assistance Team representative!



2. **ON THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
EXPANDED LEARNING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE UNIT**

A. NEW STAFF DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES: SIGN UP FOR THOSE LISTED BELOW AT: <http://aspire.lacoe.edu/event-type-groups/staff-development-training-events>: note that 99% of what we have scheduled for the year is now posted on ASPIRE so you can plan for the year!

1. CQI/Quality Point of Service Standards: WEBINARS

As you know the expanded learning field in CA has spent the last 4 years rolling out the Quality Standards and CQI Process. We have arranged 1 hour webinars where you can jump on the phone and talk to your peers who are working on the same standards! No travel! Upcoming webinars include:

- October 10, 2019 Youth Voice and Leadership
- October 11, 2019 Skill Building
- October 15, 2019 Safe and Supportive Environment
- October 17, 2019 Healthy Choices and Behaviors
- October 18, 2019 Active and Engaged Learning

All 6 point of service standards will be covered in these webinars throughout the year, you do not need to sign up for a series, Join us when you can!

2. STEAM OPPORTUNITIES

- a. This is a proven way to attract students to program, engage them and get them ready for their future career paths! We have added 3 more Communities of Practice (we are now up to 6 check out the dates and locations at <https://aspire.lacoe.edu/events/type/21/cop-steam>

3. WOULD YOU LIKE TO EARN MONEY FOR FIELD TRIPS FOR YOUR SITE? AND ENGAGE STUDENTS? If yes plan to attend

Clever Crazes - October 1, 2019 No COST This workshop will be taking place in a computer lab so you can see, experience and play within the worlds just as your participants do. Once you experience Clever Crazes you will want to get started at your site too! With Clever Crazes...every week there is something to work towards! **Great opportunities to win prizes and money for your program and supplies too.** Come learn more!

4. DO YOU HAVE STUDENTS WHO NEED A LITTLE MORE "TLC"? JOIN US AT:

Site Coordinator Super Saturday (Coaching Strategies and Practices for Helping Students with Challenging Behaviors) - October 19, 2019 No Cost

NOTE: The content for this Site Coordinator Super Saturday is the same content that will be covered on November 15th at the Site Coordinator Fun Friday. You only need to attend October 19th OR November 15th (but not both dates).

This workshop will provide participants with hands-on, real-time resources, coaching strategies, and practices for helping students with challenging behaviors. Facilitated by an expert in the field: Catherine Bernasconi, M.S., BCBA 1-17-25598

5. SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING FOR ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

EMM: You Matter® Training: October 23, 2019

NO COST

Join us to learn about the **You Matter® Curriculum** by Every Monday Matters and how you might integrate the program at your sites! Students using the EMM Curriculum show statistically significant growth in the areas of **prosocial behavior, task persistence, and work ethic**. Additional program highlights include creating an emotional environment of **increased respect for others, self-esteem and confidence, community awareness, and student voice**.

You Matter® is a flexible, powerful, social and emotional learning (SEL) curriculum for engaging your youth in themes and activities that naturally build self and social responsibility. During this session, gain access to FREE Lesson Plans (activities, videos, handouts) for every week of the whole year!

6. HIGH SCHOOL ASSETS TRAINING; PART 1 OF A 2 PART SERIES

ASSETs 101 - October 10, 2019

NO COST

This training is for new Site Coordinators and Program Directors who need to be knowledgeable about the requirements of operating these programs [also relevant for anyone who needs a Refresher].

3. LEGISLATION

Nothing to report this period!

4. FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

A.NEED MONEY FOR PROGRAM ACTIVITIES, SPECIAL EVENTS? Visit:
https://boostcafe.org/grants_and_funding

5. NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED STATEWIDE/NATIONWIDE

A. December 9-10: CA Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics Symposium

- Join more than 3,000 Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) educators from across California for the 2019 California STEAM Symposium! The California STEAM Symposium will be held in Anaheim and offers ongoing rigorous, collaborative, and inspiring professional learning and resources to support high-quality science, technology, engineering, art, and math instruction for all students. To learn more, or to register, [click here](#).

B. BOOST Workshop: Submit your proposal today!

We have lots of great things happening here in LA County- use this opportunity to shine your light! BOOST is now accepting proposals for the 2020 conference, here is the link for the RFP: <http://www.boostconference.org/rfp>

6. RESOURCES

A. Social Emotional Learning Resources from California Afterschool Network recent newsletter

Below, we've provided a few resources for parents and after school professionals to help ease the back-to-school butterflies and kick off the year with a highlight on Social Emotional Learning!

- [Using Social Emotional Learning to Alleviate Back-to-School Anxiety](#)
Includes recommendations for teachers, tools and behaviors to test out, and a set of resources targeted, separately, to young learners and adolescent learners.
- [Character Lab Playbooks](#)
A ready-to-use resource that targets a specific character strength. Playbooks are currently available for ten strengths, including emotional intelligence, purpose, and curiosity.
- [Facing History and Ourselves Back-to-School Toolkit](#)
This toolkit provides a one-week unit to support the establishment of classroom norms and an inclusive environment, enabling students to develop their social-emotional skills and to engage in an open and supportive classroom community.
- [13 Powerful SEL Activities](#)
Includes a set of opening, group sharing, and closing activities that teachers use at

California's Summit Preparatory Charter High School. These include mindfulness, stress reduction, and circle sharing.

- [Four Vital Elements Needed to Create a Welcoming School](#)
Creating a school environment that is welcoming and inclusive for all students requires a "whole school" approach. This article provides a checklist and examples of key elements of creating an inclusive, welcoming school.
- [Four Ways to Support Teens' Social-Emotional Development at School](#)

Recent research by Civic with Hart Research Associates, [Perspectives of Youth on High School & Social and Emotional Learning](#), indicates a lack of social and emotional skills development leaves students feeling unprepared for life after high school. Teens need more opportunities to dig deeper—to actively explore who they are, what drives them, and who they want to be in the world. So how can we better address teens' developmental needs? [Read more](#)

B. LIGHTS ON AFTER SCHOOL: October 24, 2019 ARE YOU READY?

○ TOOL KIT: <http://www.afterschoolalliance.org/loaEventKit.cfm>

○ Register your event: <http://loa.afterschoolalliance.org/accounts/signup/>

○ Learn more of the basics: read the [WHO, WHAT, WHEN & WHERE of Lights On Afterschool](#)

C. Front line staff recruitment

We know many of you are struggling to find frontline staff, so here is a tool for you to utilize. As shared at our last several Advisory meetings, organizations such as yours are spending countless hours and financial resources to bring frontline staff on board only to have them resign after 2-3 days on the job because they have discovered it is "not for them." The commitment was made to produce a short video that you can utilize in your recruitment process that shares with candidates some valuable information about the position. You are highly encouraged to do the following:

- Require candidates to watch the video prior to completing an application: Time is money, and money in our field is in short supply
- Post this video on your website as a tool for potential candidates to see what they can gain from this position
- Share this position at any meetings, etc., where you and/or your staff are attending with potential candidates
- Utilize this at your recruitment booths

- Share this with others in the field.

The cost to you \$0. This was produced by Region 11 Expanded Learning Technical Assistance Unit and Change Agent Productions for YOU. The link is:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/oobo1hmtjxqkbfk/The%20Power%20of%20One%20FI%20NAL.mov?dl=0>

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“We do not need magic to transform our world. We carry all the power we need inside ourselves already. We have the power to imagine better.” J.K. Rowling