WHERE IS OUR PROFESSION NOW AND WHERE IS IT GOING?

This year we will focus on our own profession as educational leaders in varied and changing roles. What are the challenges and opportunities on the horizon as the twenties begin?

We are seeking member practitioner workshops that focus on leadership in the decade ahead from the perspective of our varied leadership roles. Share your ideas and expertise with colleagues from across New York State at this year’s October 18 and 19 conference at the beautiful Otesaga in Cooperstown. We hope to receive submissions from SAANYS members, aspiring, active, or retired at all levels: certified and essential service leaders as well as all building and district roles.

PLEASE NOTE THAT PREFERENCE IS GIVEN TO PROPOSALS FROM MEMBER PRACTITIONERS. Presenters associated with a commercial enterprise must agree to have their company or organization participate as a corporate sponsor and must present with a SAANYS member. Contact dtaylor@saanys.org for more information.

PRESENTERS ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER FOR AT LEAST ONE DAY OF THE TWO DAY CONFERENCE. Presenters will be responsible for the cost of registration, meals, housing, and travel. Lead presenter and co-presenter may register at a reduced presenter’s rate of $200.

IMPORTANT Information items prior to your submission:

- Audience is composed of NYS school leaders.
- Your workshop will be scheduled for either Sunday, October 18 or Monday, October 19.
- Workshops are 75 minutes in length.
- You may present alone or with a partner (maximum of two presenters).
- Presenters must be paid, registered, attendees for at least one conference day (see above).
- Workshops should be built around activities that promote active participation and interaction with attendees.
- Workshops need to identify 2-3 ‘takeaways’ that are practical applications that attendees can readily implement in their schools.
- Powerpoint slides and workshop materials will be posted on the SAANYS website following the conference.
- Hardcopy handouts are optional.
PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

Some Quotes to Get You Thinking:

“Before you are a leader, success is all about growing yourself. When you become a leader, success is all about growing others.”

—Jack Welch, former GE Chairman and CEO

“A leader takes people where they want to go. A great leader takes people where they don’t necessarily want to go, but ought to be.”

—Rosalynn Carter, former First Lady, USA

“As we look ahead to the 21st century, leaders will those who empower others.”

—Bill Gates, co-founder of Microsoft.

Some Workshop Ideas:

Focusing on our newest leaders: what do they need most? | Ed leader pipelines and preparation | Is there a shortage? Where/why is this being felt? | Growing a more diverse body of school leaders: preparation, recruitment, hiring practices… | Equity and School Leadership | Addressing increasing student mental health needs | Improving student academic outcomes | Supporting women and underrepresented groups | What did we learn from the 2010s? | Student behavior and discipline, restorative practices issues and opportunities | Changing roles/current issues: Assistant Principals, IT Leaders, Essential Service Leaders | Higher ed: Progress and gaps in school leadership preparation programs, state of the internship | Millennials entering leadership roles; differences, challenges, opportunities | Opportunities in retirement | Sharing hard won wisdom | Tips for Interim and Other Positions After Retirement | Supporting our own physical and mental wellness for sustainability in challenging roles | Microcredentialing and PD trends for school leadership | Entrepreneurship for school leaders: ‘edupreneurship,’ blogs, books, branding | Working in the field after retirement: interim positions, consulting, questions that arise | Current challenges around such topics as vaping, student privacy and safety | Our own evaluation systems in districts, MPPR, PSEL, contractual issues that arise | The importance of connecting with colleagues via PLN, twitter groups, other social media | Concerns around social media and our own professionalism: pitfalls to avoid | Working with others in our schools: resource officers, support personnel… | Mentoring and leadership coaching models that are most beneficial | Current requirements and questions re certification, CTLE hours, tenure in districts | Pathways and promotions: maximizing your opportunities for growth

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR PROPOSALS

The following criteria will be used for the selection of proposals:

- How well does the proposal relate to the theme of Leading into the New Decade?
- Is the proposal creative in its approach and does it exhibit innovative ideas?
- Are the presentation delivery techniques varied to meet the needs of the participants?
- Does the proposal allow for a high level of interaction and engagement?
- Does the proposal provide participants with practical information they can actually use?

EQUIPMENT

SAANYS WILL provide the following:

- LCD projector with connection cables for PC laptops.
- Projection screen.
- Internet access and sound capacity.
- Flip chart and markers.

SAANYS will NOT provide:

- Laptops: Plan to bring your own.
- Connection cables for Mac computers (VGA and audio).
- Any other AV equipment including VHS/DVD projectors or overhead projectors (if you plan to show video clips, they must be loaded onto your laptop and tested ahead of time).
- Copying services. Plan to bring your own handouts.

NOTIFICATION

A conference committee consisting of SAANYS members, leadership, and directors will convene in late April to review proposals and determine which proposals will be included in the program. In addition to the inherent quality of the proposals, usefulness to attendees, and creation of a balanced program will be considerations. Everyone who has submitted a proposal will be notified via email by the end of May.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: All proposals must be submitted by April 10, 2020.

SCHEDULING OF SESSIONS: Your workshop may be scheduled for either Sunday, October 18 or Monday, October 19.
PRESENTER INFORMATION

Lead Presenter Name: ___________________________________________  Position:_____________________________________

Are you a SAANYS Member? (circle one)  YES   NO

Organization: ___________________________________________________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________________________State:___________Zip:__________________

Email:_________________________________________  Phone:_________________________  Fax: __________________

CO-PRESENTER(S) INFORMATION  (if applicable)

Co-Presenter Name: ___________________________________________  Position:_____________________________________

Are you a SAANYS Member? (circle one)  YES   NO

Organization: ___________________________________________________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________________________State:___________Zip:__________________

Email:_________________________________________  Phone:_________________________  Fax: __________________

PROPOSALS MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS:

• Presentation title.
• 50 word blurb to be used in the conference program.
• A statement on theme alignment.
• A brief overview of the content of your presentation.
• Goals of the presentation.
• Identify 2-4 tools, ideas, or strategies participants will take away from the workshop.
• Opportunities for interaction and reflection that are part of the presentation.
• Describe your qualifications, experiences, and accomplishments related to the presentation topic.

We recognize and appreciate the time and effort required in preparing a submission and thank you in advance for your proposal. We regret that only a limited number of proposals can be accepted. If you have any questions about the proposals process, please contact Karen Bronson, SAANYS director of professional development at kbronson@saanys.org.

Signature of presenter: ___________________________________________________________  Date: __________________

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USE SUBJECT TITLE: Annual Conference Workshop Proposal

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