EmpowerED: Elevating Voices, Enriching Education, Embracing Collaboration.



The Adventure Starts Here October 15-16th, 2024

Friends Meeting of Washington, DC 2111 Decatur Pl NW



- 1. Build a stronger network of SPDG projects
 - 2. Projects learn new ways to:

Incorporate all voices,

Innovate to achieve their goals, and

Collaborate with groups and individuals to make the greatest impact.



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Pre-Meeting: October 14			
5:00 – 8:00 PM	Informal Meet Up	McClellan's Retreat, 2031 Florida Ave NW	
Day One: October 15			
8:00 – 9:00 AM	Registration		
8:00 – 9:00	Get Acquainted with the Venue – Bingo Card		
8:30 – 9:00	New Participant Orientation		
9:00 - 9:45	OSEP's Vision: Voice, Innovation & Collaboration to O	Change the Status Quo	

Christy Kavulic, PhD Division Director of the Office of Research to Practice

Continuing our learning from the 2023 National Meeting & the 2024 OSEP Conference

Jennifer Coffey, PhD and John Lind, PhD

10:00 – 10:30 Speed Dating (aka Rapport Building)

One-on-one conversations focused on Voice: (1) What is something that is working well for your project? (2) What is a challenge for your project? (3) What resource has helped you? (4) What are you hoping to do, related to voice, in the coming year.

10:30 – 10:45 Break + Networking

10:45 - 11:45 Problem of Practice Session - 15% Solutions for Incorporating "New" Voices

Discover and Focus on What Each Person Has the Freedom and Resources to Do Now

- What challenges do you face incorporating certain voices?
- Process:
 - 1st Each person considers the challenge they want to approach. They then list what they have the freedom and resources to do right now (15% solution) 8 min.
 - 2nd Sit in groups of 4, no tables required.
 - 3rd Individuals share their challenge and their list of potential actions, one person at a time 5 min per person.
 - 4th Once the individual has shared the group provides consultation (ask clarifying questions and offer advice) – 5 min per person.

12:15 – 2:00 PM	Lunch on your own See suggestion	าร	
2:00 – 2:45	Collaboration Breakouts: Generative Relationships – STAR (Part 1)		
	Reveal Relationship Patterns That Create Surprising Value		
	• STAR Graphic: S = Separateness: the amount of diversity in perspective, expertise, a background among group members; T = Tuning: the level of listening deeply, reflecting, and making sense of challenges together; A = Action: the number of opportunities to act on ideas or innovate with group members; R = Reason to work together: the benefits that are gained from working together		
	Share a resource that supports the collaboration		
2:55 – 3:40	Collaboration Breakouts (Part 2)		
3:40 - 4:00	Networking & Reflection Time		
4:00 – 5:00	Sharing Infographics & Impact Stories		
5:00 – 7:00	SIGnetwork Social Hour		
DAY TWO: OCTOBER 16			
8:00 – 8:50 AM	Communities of Practice & Working Groups. • Early Childhood • Native American Working Group • Evaluators • Communications • Family Partners • Social-emotional Learning • Including Children with the Most Significant Needs • States with Small Populations		
9:00 - 9:45	Innovations in Professional Development - Al Kevin Johnstun, Office of Education Technology		
9:45 – 10:15	Small Group Discussions How could you innovate with AI or other technology (e.g., Swivel for coaching; support for individuals with disabilities; tech in the classroom; inclusion)?	t	
10:15 – 10:30	Break		
10:30 – 11:30	Learn from an Evaluator about Voice, Innovation, & Collaboration (Breakouts)		
11:30 – 12:00 PM	SIGnetwork Leadership Award and Closing John Lind, SIGnetwork Coordinator Jennifer Coffey, Ph.D., SPDG Program Area Lead, OSEP		
12:00 – 12:45	Optional Meetings with Project Officers		