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“Reclaiming the Dream” Annual Conference

It is fast approaching!! Conference brochures will be mailed out in November; share the information with your colleagues! Our annual conference in 2013 will be held at Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells on February 28 and March 1, 2013! Keynote speaker Steven Sroka will join us on February 28th and Carl Olson will close the conference on March 1st. Both speakers will rejuvenate us and send us home with practical information and ideas that we can implement immediately.

Dr. Sroka, *The Power of One* motivational speaker, integrates cutting edge research with reality based strategies for dealing with the issues that face our youth today! He is a nationally acclaimed speaker who offers honesty, humor and hope that everyone can Make a Difference.

Be sure to reserve your room at the Kalahari Conference Center in Wisconsin Dells in order to take advantage of the discounted rate for the conference. Details are on the Narenwich website. www.narenwich.org

The conference committee has been busy planning the venue and presentations, recruiting vendors, and choosing the menu in order to keep us well informed and well-fed! All education professionals and those interested in education are invited to attend our conference; it is an affordable, practice-focused, informative conference that deals with issues that affect all students!!



Narenwich Mini-Grant Applications

The application deadline for the Mini-grants of \$250.00 has been extended to Nov. 30. The application information can be found on the website. This is a mini-grant that is meant

to support programs in your area. Download your application form and submit it to your region advisor.

Educator Effectiveness

Educator Effectiveness is a key focus of new legislation in Wisconsin. A portion of educator effectiveness will be Student Learning Objectives (SLOs). Student Learning Objectives are detailed, measurable goals for student academic growth to be achieved in a specified period of time (typically an academic year), and developed collaboratively by educators and their supervisors. For at-risk and alternative educators, being involved in the discussion about SLOs will be critical. Writing a SLO for 3rd grade math will be very different that writing one for individualized instruction in an alternative education program. More information is available at

<http://dpi.wi.gov/tepd/slodefined.html>

DPI will also have staff at the conference to focus on Educator Effectiveness and Student Learning Objectives.

NAREN National Conference

NAREN's 10th Annual National Conference will be held in Panama City Beach, FL from February 19 - 21, 2013! An information-packed conference is planned for all! Check it out at www.atriskeducation.net

Upcoming Elections

Don't forget to vote in our upcoming elections. Be aware of the political landscape that will affect all educational programs.



Vote on Nov. 6, 2012