

THE REDWOOD SERVICE CENTER COUNCIL (RSCC)

INVITES YOU TO ATTEND THE:

REDWOOD EDUCATORS CONFERENCE 2013



APRIL 26 & 27, 2013
THE SHERATON HOTEL—
PETALUMA

SESSIONS OFFERED:

- HUMAN RIGHTS (HR)
- WOMEN'S ISSUES (WI)
- ETHNIC MINORITY LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (EMLD)
- INSTRUCTION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (IPD)

PLUS SESSIONS ON:

- EDUCATION SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP (ESP)
- CALSTRS

Registration Deposit: \$50—Includes Workshops, Double Occupancy Room and Meals.

****NOTE:** When you attend the conference, your registration deposit of \$50 will be refunded. The \$50 deposit will be forfeited if you do not attend or cancel after the March 8, 2013 deadline.

Register Early! Registration deadline is Friday, March 8, 2013

Questions? Please contact RSCC at rsc@cta.org or call 415.479.6616.



**JOIN AND MEET YOUR COLLEAGUES
FROM CHAPTERS WITHIN THE RSCC AREA!**

THE REDWOOD EDUCATORS CONFERENCE 2013

Redwood Service Center Council is excited to offer this dynamic conference for all CTA members within Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, Solano, and Sonoma Counties.

This will be a great opportunity to learn and network with colleagues.

Trainings have been selected for the diverse needs of our members. There is something for everyone!

AGENDA

Friday, April 26, 2013

5:00 - 6:30 pm	Registration
6:00 - 9:00 pm	Reception & Dinner

Saturday, April 27, 2013

7:30 - 8:30 am	Registration & Breakfast
8:30 - 10:00 am	First Session
10:00 - 10:15 am	Break
10:15 - 11:45 am	Second Session
12:00 - 1:00 pm	Lunch & Special Guest Speaker
1:00 - 2:30 pm	Third Session
2:35 - 3:00 pm	Closing Session - All Attend

CTA MEMBER BENEFITS AND VENDORS WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE

Please complete the Registration Form and mark your choice of sessions. We will do everything possible to accommodate your first choice but sessions have both minimum and maximum attendance requirements.

Register Early - the Registration Form with Conference and single occupancy room (if applicable) fees must be received at the CTA San Rafael office by **5 pm, Friday, March 8, 2013.**

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REDWOOD EDUCATORS CONFERENCE 2013

April 26-27, 2013

REGISTRATION FORM

Full Chapter Name: _____

Name: _____ Your CTA Membership # _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone w/Area Code: (h) _____ (s) _____ (c) _____

Email (Personal Preferred): _____

Miles from Home to Hotel (one-way): _____ (Reimbursement for 50 miles or more one-way)

I Plan to Attend

Friday Night Reception/Dinner & Saturday Sessions Saturday Sessions Only

Special Meal Needs

Vegetarian Other Dietary needs _____

I will need a room for Friday night (Double Occupancy)

I will room with _____ (name of roommate)

Please assign me a roommate: I prefer a (circle one): Female Roommate / Male Roommate

I would like a single room and will pay a supplement of \$65

Registration deposit (includes workshops, double occupancy and meals) \$50 **

Single Room Supplement (\$65 - use separate check), non refundable \$ 65

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ \$ _____

(Payable to RSCC)

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PLEASE NUMBER YOUR TOP THREE CHOICES (1, 2, & 3) IN EACH TIME FRAME

(see session descriptions-attached)

8:30 - 10:00 A.M.

____ A (EMLD)
____ B (HR)
____ C (IPD)
____ D (WI)

10:15 - 11:45 A.M.

____ A (HR)
____ B (WI)
____ C (ESP)
____ D (IPD)

1:00 - 2:30 P.M.

____ A (EMLD)
____ B (HR)
____ C (WI)
____ D (STRS)

Return by mail with check (s) payable to RSCC:

CTA/Redwood Educators Conference, 4300 Redwood Hwy, Suite 200, San Rafael CA 94903

RESERVATION SECURED ONLY WHEN THIS FORM IS RECEIVED WITH PAYMENT.

RESERVATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5 PM, FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2013.

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REDWOOD EDUCATORS CONFERENCE

SESSION INFORMATION (Saturday, April 27th)

8:30-10AM

- A. **Obstacles to Association Involvement (EMLD)** This training session examines difficulties experienced by minority members in becoming successfully involved in association activities and programs. There are discussions dealing with stereotyping and other obstacles.
- B. **Unconscious Bias (HR)** - Social psychologists and social scientists have found that all of us, regardless of race, have cognitive biases that influence how we perceive and make decisions about our students. The behavior of human beings is often guided by racial and other stereotypes of which we are completely unaware. This training will explore the shortcuts and subsequent perceptions we make about people and our surroundings. It will also provide tools to increase awareness about our cognitive biases and offer intervention strategies.
- A. **Transitioning to the Common Core State Standards—Language Arts and Mathematics (IPD)** The session provides an overview of the Common Core State Standards. Participants will review and discuss differences between the new standards and the current California Content Standards.
- D. **Gender, Race, and CTA (WI)** - Examine the multicultural, gender equity and behavioral characteristics of women and men leaders.

10:15-11:45AM

- A. **Gang Awareness (HR)** - No longer strictly a problem of the inner city, gangs are pervasive across all ethnic, gender, socioeconomic and geographic boundaries in California. This workshop provides information about youth gangs in California, and more importantly, why students join. The role of teachers and schools in gang intervention is thoroughly discussed. This workshop also provides a segment for developing a plan of action for participants, schools, and communities.
- B. **Stressed? (WI)** - Learn helpful “tips” for managing in all aspects of your daily life. Discover how life changes and your behavior impact your stress level.
- C. **Education Support Professionals (ESP)**- Issues of importance to ESP members will be presented and discussed.
- D. **The New California Assessments: SMARTER Balanced Assessment (IPD)**—This session provides an overview and an update of SMARTER Balanced Assessment’s and work toward development of new California Assessments. These new assessments are scheduled to be administered during the 2014-2015 school year. The Superintendent of Public Instruction is recommending STAR, as we know it, to be suspended.

1:00-2:30PM

- A. **Empowerment for Leaders (EMLD)**- Focuses on the definition of power and how leaders use power to achieve their goals within the association. Attention is given to campaign strategies.
- B. **Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Youth: Breaking the Silence (HR)** - As students struggle to deal with gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender issues, educators need factual information so they can correct the misinformation about homosexuality. This training will provide participants with strategies for reducing hostilities towards gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students and learn ways to create a safe learning environment for all students. In addition, participants will learn what their Chapters and Service Centers can do to promote tolerance and understanding of these issues.
- C. **Are you Listening? (WI)** - Learn to use attending, observing, and listening skills in order to become a responsive leader.
- D. **CalSTRS Workshop (CalSTRS)**- Come join us for an in-depth review of the CalSTRS Defined Benefit that you earn every day you work as an educator. Topics to be covered include the DB formula, the DBS account, CalSTRS counseling service, Social Security Offsets, current and past legislation, and the retirement reform legislation. Members are encouraged to come even if they are not planning to retire for several years. Teachers in their first five years of teaching will benefit from this workshop as much as those in their last five years. Come one, come all, it’s your retirement!