

21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC)
Networking Conference Call
December 11, 2012

Notes

Welcome

Pat welcomed the participants.

Notices/Updates/Reminders

- *Cohort H – Request For Proposals (RFP) Technical Assistance – January 22*
It was shared that the RFP Technical Assistance has been scheduled for January 22 at the Lexington Hotel in Lansing. The registration form is posted on the 21st CCLC webpage at www.michigan.gov/21stcclc.
- *Project Director Institute – January 23*
It was shared that the Project Director Institute has been scheduled for January 23 also at the Lexington Hotel in Lansing. The registration form will be sent out to 21st CCLC Project Directors in the near future. Please be looking for that and respond in a timely manner.
- *Michigan AfterSchool Association (MAA) Professional Development Webinar Series on Core Competencies – January 30*
It was announced that MAA will begin a webinar series on the National AfterSchool Association (NAA) Core Competencies. The first webinar will be held on January 30. Registration will be coming out soon.
- *Notice of Intent Forms*
It was shared that if programs are thinking about applying for 21st CCLC Cohort H funds a Notice of Intent to Apply form is posted on the 21st CCLC webpage. The form helps the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) staff determine the anticipated number of applications that will be received and the need for grant readers.
- *Readers Needed*
It was shared that there is a need for grant readers for the cohort H application review. If current grantees are not applying for cohort H funds it would be helpful to be a grant reader. The reader form is also posted on the 21st CCLC webpage.
- *Youth Program Quality Assessment (YPQA)*
Angelina Garner, Weikart Center reminded participants that the YPQA self-assessment scores reports are due on Friday, December 14, 2012. If you need any assistance with this process contact the Weikart Center. If you need an extension for the process you must get it from your lead consultant at MDE.
- *Contact Information*
Pat Hennessey reminded the participants to update their contact information in both the Michigan Electronic Grants System-Plus (MEGS+) and EZReports when site staff change.

Topic: The Month of Giving – Resource Sharing

Pat shared that MDE staff attended the Pre-College and Youth Outreach Conference and received many good resources that needed to be shared with the field. It was also shared that this event would be ideal for 21st CCLC staff to attend. Next year's event will be held on November 18, 2013 at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

- *Presentation of Resources*

- *Inclusion*

Pat shared two resources for students with special needs. They are:

1. The Developmental Disabilities Institute (DDI), located on the campus of Wayne State University. DDI is the state of Michigan's University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD) and is part of a nationwide network dedicated to the development of inclusive communities, the enhancement of the quality of life of people with disabilities, and the enrichment of the field of disability research and service. For more information on this resource visit www.ddi.wayne.edu.
2. The Delta Project which is a cooperative transition project between Delta College and Saginaw ISD – Transition Services to help students with disabilities enter and be successful in post-secondary education. For more information regarding the Delta Project contact *Denny Wickham, Delta Project Coordinator at (989) 233-6388 or at wickhamd@sisd.cc*.

- *Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)*

Amanda shared the STEM resource from Michigan Technological University's called Mind Trekkers road shows. Mind Trekkers mission is to uncover the mysteries of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) for students of all ages. Mind Trekkers activities and events will make you discover the WOW! of hands-on learning. For more information on this resource visit www.mindtrekkers.mtu.edu.

- *Family Engagement*

Amanda shared two resources on the topic of family engagement were shared. They are:

1. The PILLARS Program: College Knowledge for Parents, Guardians and Families is a program that promotes the creation of a college-going culture in the home by providing college knowledge workshops for parents/guardians whose students would be the first in their family to attend college. For more information on this resource contact Michael Turner at mlturner@umich.edu.
2. The Families and Schools Together, Inc. is a non-profit based organization that is a parent involvement and family strengthening program. For more information on this resource visit www.familiesandschools.org.

- *College Access for Foster Children*
Resources for college access for foster children can be found at www.fosteringsuccessmichigan.com or at www.projectACEcenter.org.
- *Character Development*
Several resources were shared by Lorraine on character development are:
 1. The Character Education Partnership which is providing the vision, leadership and resources for schools, families and communities to develop ethical citizens committed to building a just and caring world. For more information on their resources visit www.character.org;
 2. The Character Counts Curriculum which is a free character development curriculum that can be found at www.charactercounts.com;
 3. The book, *How Children Succeed* by Paul Tough; and
 4. The book, *Character Strengths and Virtues* by Christopher Peterson and Martin Seligman
- *College Access*
Pat shared that there is a Michigan College Access Network (MCAN) and Local College Access Networks (LCANS) that can provide many free resources to programs on how to work with students to connect with post-secondary educational opportunities.

Lorraine shared a resource called Michigan Campus Compact which has resources to train volunteers to work in youth programs that have a positive college mission. This organization has a tool kit, which is free to train "College Positive Volunteers". For more information about this program visit www.micampuscompact.org.

- *Resources from the Field*
Genesee ISD shared information on a resource from the Michigan Department of Transportation called the TRAC program. More information on the TRAC program can be found at http://www.michigan.gov/mdot/0,1607,7-151-9623_38029_38059_41397---,00.html. The program coordinator, Julie Van Portfliet can be contacted at 906-786-1830 x. 317.

Charlevoix-Emmet ISD shared that their local Math and Science Center has provided many free resources on STEM curriculum, trainings, and materials.

Battle Creek Public Schools shared that they have used Robotics' First as a STEM resource. Robotics' first is currently offering scholarships for first time users.

Oak Park Schools share that their parents and grandparents have been wonderful resources to the program by organizing transportation of students.