



*** Call for Presentations ***



MNPS in partnership with the Alignment Nashville
Behavioral Health Committee presents...
Conference for Social and Emotional Learning

Friday, July 29, 2011,
8:00 am—4:00 pm

Martin Professional Development Center

Metro Nashville Public Schools and the Alignment Nashville Behavioral Health Committee, will be presenting a full-day conference consisting of a collection of workshops designed to bring awareness and a better understanding of Social and Emotional Learning and how it impacts school academics, "The other side of the report card." This conference, which will be at no cost to attendees, will be open to all MNPS school staff/teachers along with Nashville area community organizations.

Attendees of this conference will gain:

- An improved understanding of SEL
- A common language around SEL
- Become better informed on how SEL impacts school climate

The Behavioral Health Committee has identified the following key areas as being timely and pertinent to the staff of MNPS and also to community organizations serving MNPS students This information is critical in gaining an understanding of the importance of SEL:

We are seeking workshops in these 5 key areas (as defined by CASEL) of SEL:

- ◆ **Self Awareness:** recognizing one's emotions and values as well as one's strengths and limitations.
- ◆ **Responsible decision-making:** making ethical, constructive choices about personal and social behavior
- ◆ **Relationship skills:** forming positive relationships, working in teams, dealing effectively with conflict.
- ◆ **Social awareness:** showing understanding and empathy for others.
- ◆ **Self-management:** managing emotions and behaviors to achieve one's goals.

- ◇ Each seminar will be 60 minutes long, and organizations should be prepared to offer each seminar twice.
- ◇ If your organization would like to participate, please go to <http://alignmentnashville.org/showForm.php?formID=36> to submit a brief proposal.
- ◇ If your organization would like to offer multiple seminars, please complete a separate proposal for each seminar. Please provide your contact information along with the following information of your workshop:
 - ◇ **Name of Presenter** (to be printed in program)
 - ◇ **Title of Workshop** (to be used in program)
 - ◇ **Description of workshop to be delivered:** provide a brief description (**100 words or less**) of your proposed seminar. *This information will be printed in the event program,*
 - ◇ **Select which topic area are you covering with this workshop (self awareness, relationship skills, etc.)**
 - ◇ **Describe your organization's expertise in this topic area**

Please submit your proposal by **April 1, 2011**. All proposals will be reviewed by the Behavioral Health Committee and you will be notified no later than **April 15, 2011**.

If you have any questions about the event or the proposal process, please contact Glen Biggs, Associate Director – Alignment Nashville, at 615.585.8731 or glen@alignmentnashville.org