



20th Annual

KENTUCKY ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION SUMMIT

July 22-23, 2021

Virtual Edition!



Agenda

Thursday, July 22 *NOTE - All times are EDT*

9:00 am - 10:30 am Opening General Session

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Keynote Speaker: John O'Connor

10:45 am - 11:45 am Concurrent Sessions

11:45 am - 12:15 pm Lunch Break

12:15 pm - 1:15 pm Concurrent Sessions

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm Featured Session

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Presentation of SACSAA Awards

Featured Speakers: Pockets Change

Friday, July 23

9:00 am - 10:00 am Featured Session

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Featured Trainer: Sasha Long

10:15 am - 11:15 am Concurrent Sessions

11:30 am - 12:30 pm Concurrent Sessions

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch Break

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Concurrent Sessions

2:15 pm - 3:15 pm Closing General Session

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Presentation of Student of the Year Awards

Keynote Speaker: Joe Dombrowski

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Thursday 10:45 - 11:45 • Choose One

Opening General Session

Keynote Speaker
John O'Connor

6 Big Ideas to Support Your Students

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ID/PIN: 292 229 381#

Are you ready for the new school year? During this session, John O'Connor will describe 6 big ideas to support your students. The items will help you understand your students a little more and give you actions that will help them be more successful. John will provide real-life examples of how these approaches can be implemented.

Digging Deeper with Classroom Practices

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Get ready for a highly interactive session! John will turn his big ideas from the general session into specific actions you can take in your classroom. He will discuss both academic and behavioral practices that will be beneficial for your students! You will leave with manageable actions that can have a big impact.

Presented by John O'Connor

7 Tips for Conducting Successful ARC Meetings

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ID/PIN: 353 104 40#

The success of a special education ARC meeting is in the pre-planning of the meeting and in the use of facilitation skills during the meeting. This session will provide 7 tips for ensuring ARC meetings are compliant and successful for all participants.

Presented by Marti Ginter, Central Kentucky Educational Cooperative

New Kentucky Academic Technology Standards: What You Need to Know!

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ID/PIN: 748 420 275#

Join the Digital Learning Coach State Lead as she shares about the new KY Academic Standards for Technology that will roll into full implementation this fall and are a graduation requirement. This session will provide an overview of the standards and a peek into a teacher resource and student example dashboard that will accompany those.

Presented by Laura Raganas, Kentucky Department of Education

Opening Keynote • John O'Connor [Join Here](#)

John O'Connor led school improvement initiatives at the state and local level during his 30 years in public education. He started his career as a special education teacher serving students with orthopedic impairments in elementary and middle schools. Since that time, he held a variety of administrative positions. For nine years while working at the Georgia Department of Education, he led state-wide initiatives to improve the achievement and learning of students with disabilities. He also served in local districts as an Assistant Director for Special Education, Executive Director for Special Services, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and Director for Interventions. John has written five books, including his most recent, the 2nd Edition of *Great Instruction Great Achievement for Students with Disabilities: A Road Map for Special Education Administrators*. He also co-wrote a textbook chapter, a desk guide and numerous articles. Since his retirement, John has provided training, school visits, and coaching to hundreds of groups ranging from Hawaii to South Carolina.

Thursday 12:15 - 1:15 • Choose One

Records Training 101

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Join Justin Hubbard and Angela Austin to learn the ins and outs of efficient and complete records transfers. There will be discussion around what records should be sent and where they can be loaded in IC to ensure all records are sent most efficiently.

*Presented by Angela Austin,
KECSAC & Justin Hubbard,
Mayfield Youth Development
Center, SACSAA President*

How Administrators can Aid Teachers in Developing Blended Learning Strategies

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This session will discuss blended learning strategies to differentiate and personalize for teachers and showcase how administrators can model what teachers could be doing around these strategies. Also discussed will be how this ties into the Framework for Teaching.

*Presented by Ben Maynard,
Kentucky Department of Education*

Youth Mental Health First Aid

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The last year has highlighted the need among educators for tools to address the mental health needs of students. This session will provide and overview of the Youth Mental Health First Aid program as one such resource. Youth Mental Health First Aid is designed to teach adults how to help an adolescent (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge or is in crisis. Participants will learn about the structure of the training and resources to access YMHFA.

*Presented by Lori Price, Pulaski
County Schools*

Thursday 1:30 - 3:30

Featured Session Pockets Change

Teaching Finance is an Act of Social Justice

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Pockets Change team members will jam with educators to remember and lean into their strengths and expand on how Hip Hop Pedagogy works in their class(zoom)rooms. Learning topics will include Financial Resilience, Spending Values, Money Personalities, and Hip Hop Pedagogy.

*Presented by Andrea Ferrero &
Dyalekt, Pockets Change*

Featured Session • Pockets Change [Join Here](#)

Pockets Change is creating spaces for intergenerational conversations where students, parents, and educators go beyond financial literacy to build financial resilience. Together we look at money as a tool and financial decision-making as a personal path. As a community we develop an understanding of our personal relationship with money, new ways of thinking and talking about money, and the skills to take action and advocate for ourselves and others.

Our curriculum and workshops make change happen through Hip Hop pedagogy, which focuses on understanding self-identity in relation to the whole. By connecting Hip Hop and Finance, we develop an understanding of ourselves and our relationship with money. We build financial habits that resonate with our personal identity. We discover how we process information and how to effectively communicate & collaborate. By starting with self-care and personal agency we build our individual capacity to take part in social justice efforts and create change in our lives, our communities, and our world.

Understanding our finances impacts more than our wallets, it gives us the skills to thrive.

Friday 9:00 - 10:00

Featured Session Sasha Long

The 5 Components of Reinforcement

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Behavior change starts with building up the good. Increasing positive, prosocial, and communicate behaviors can be done through correctly using reinforcement. When we build up these positive behaviors, we empower our students with new ways to communicate their wants and needs. In this session learn the essential 5 components of reinforcement and how to utilize reinforcement in an effective way to teach new skills and increase positive behaviors.

Audience Objectives:

- Learner will identify and utilize positive reinforcement to increase positive behaviors.
- Learner will be able to differentiate between bribery and reinforcement.

Friday 10:15 - 11:15 • Choose One

Infinite Campus Topics for KECSAC Programs!

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This session will cover KECSAC relevant Infinite Campus topics. This session will cover data entry of the KECSAC student tab, a brief overview of the ILPA data entry based on the KECSAC Data Standards and use of the KECSAC Membership report for data review and quality. The session will also include an overview of the Student Records Transfer process and the importance of completion to the KECSAC programs.

*Presented by Windy Newton
& Jennifer Winburn, Kentucky
Department of Education*

Making the ILPA a Useful Tool!

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The ILPA can be a useful tool in helping your students make academic gains. Join SACSAA Award winner Jenny Lowe to find out how to make this resource a valuable one for you and your students.

*Presented by Jennifer Lowe,
Bowling Green Independent
Schools*

Social Justice Dialogues: Conversation Starters Suitable for Adults and Students in All Communities

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This session will focus on educating and re-educating ourselves on the complexities surrounding racial and ethical concerns/issues in our society and our school communities. In addition to that, it will also focus on identifying equitable and practical solutions.

*Presented by J.H. Atkins & Crystal
McPherson, Centre College*

Featured Session • Sasha Long • The Autism Helper, Inc. [Join Here](#)

Sasha Long, BCBA, M.A., is the founder and president of The Autism Helper, Inc. She is a board certified behavior analyst and former special education teacher. Sasha works full time as a consultant, writer, and trainer sharing strategies and best practices through her blog, podcast, membership, and online courses. Sasha travels internationally as a speaker and consultant providing individualized training and feedback to parents, educators, therapists and administrators in the world of autism. She is a former adjunct professor at The Chicago School of Professional Psychology. Sasha received her undergraduate degree in Special Education from Miami University and has a Masters Degree in Applied Behavior Analysis from The Chicago School of Professional Psychology.

Friday 11:30 - 12:30 • Choose One

Special Education & KECSAC Facilities

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ID/PIN: 190 958 08#

What should all staff and teachers understand about special education and a child's IEP? This session will take you on an overview of special education programs and the IEP document and will address what in the IEP a teacher (general ed or special ed) should be aware of and be prepared to do. Attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions.

Presented by April Pieper & Jarrod Slone, Kentucky Department of Education

2021 Legislative Update & Impacts on Students & School Districts

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Or call 1-606-331-5215
ID/PIN: 153 709 093#

Join the Director of Advocacy for the Kentucky School Boards Association for a very informative session. He will highlight education related legislation that was passed by the General Assembly during the 2021 Regular Session, and its impact on school district operations.

Presented by Eric Kennedy, Esq.

Trauma & Resilience Basics

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We have experienced a collective traumatic event over the last year and a half. In this session, participants will learn about trauma and resilience and how to help build resilience in both students and staff.

Presented by Diane Gruen-Kidd, Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities

SACSA Award Winners

Outstanding Community Member of the Year

Marshall Wolfe, Peace Academy, Jefferson County Public Schools

Outstanding Support Staff of the Year

Vickie Goodrich, Mayfield Youth Development Center, Graves County School District

Outstanding Support Staff of the Year

Caitlyn Hyland, Laurel County Day Treatment, Laurel County School District

Roy L. Chapman Outstanding Teacher of the Year

Brad Bentley, Guardian Angel School, Beechwood Independent School District

Russell B. Behanan Outstanding Administrator of the Year

Karen Corbeill, Maryhurst Academy, Jefferson County Public Schools

Nellie Lue Cole

Outstanding Student of the Year Award

Kayleona Anmarie Allen

Maryhurst Academy

Nellie Lue Cole

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John Wayne Lee

Ramey Estep High School

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IDEA Monitoring Trends of KECSAC Facilities

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This presentation may be more geared toward principals, supervisors and special education staff in KECSAC facilities, but would still be informative for any general education staff who want to know more about what is required for students with disabilities. This presentation provides an overview of the requirements of General Supervision Requirements and Public Agency Requirements and presents the compliance rates for more recent KECSAC monitoring results. Attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions.

Presented by Jarrod Slone & April Pieper, Kentucky Department of Education

Gender and Sexual Diversity: Embracing Diversity & Enhancing Wellbeing

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Gender and sexual diversity are being discussed in more venues than ever, but that doesn't mean everyone understands it in the same way. This presentation will orient participants to key concepts and terminology related to gender and sexual diversity and highlight prevalence among key populations. Participants will learn important factors in facilitating affirming spaces for gender and sexually diverse youth. Participants will be able to identify action steps to take within their own practice to ensure safe and affirming learning and living environments for youth with diverse gender and sexual identities.

Presented by Sara M. Williams, University of Louisville

Science Instruction: Easy Experiments Students Will Love

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Or call 1-606-331-5215
ID/PIN: 385 172 178#

Providing context for students in your science classrooms is so important - and what better way to do that than through easy and affordable experiments that can be done in any program. Peggy Shearer will share tips and tricks as well as showing some of her favorite activities.

Presented by Peggy Shearer, KECSAC

Friday 2:15 - 3:15

Closing General Session

Keynote Speaker

Joe Dombrowski a.k.a. Mr. D!

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Joe Dombrowski (aka Mr.D) took the world by storm in 2017 with a viral April Fools' Day spelling test prank that landed him multiple appearances on the Ellen DeGeneres show. Since then Joe has been traveling the world with his stand-up comedy tour titled "Indoor Recess" which highlights his crazy life as an elementary school teacher. When he's not getting creative on screens and stages, Joe spends his time in Seattle, Washington producing his podcast "Social Studies" where he humorously studies being social by being social with guests of all walks of life. See more of Joe on any form of social media using the handle @mrdtimes3 or catch him live at one of his shows!

His following on social media has developed through humorous videos that focus on real-world educational experiences. He is currently followed on these social media sites by over 500,000 people.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Certificates will be sent to attendees following the conclusion of the summit. Complete the evaluation link you receive at the end, and your certificate will be automatically sent to you. If you complete the evaluation, but do not receive a certificate by the end of the day, please contact Katie Helton to confirm your attendance. If you attend as a group with your program or school, please have each participant complete the evaluation in order to receive a certificate.
- It is advisable to update your Microsoft Teams client, if you have it installed, prior to joining the summit on Thursday. You do not have to have Microsoft Teams installed in order to join, however. You will click on the links and be routed to the meetings through your internet browser.
- Meeting links are published in this document and will be sent to you the week of the summit. This document will also be available on at <https://kecsac.eku.edu/professional-development>. If you have trouble joining any of the meetings, please refer to this document for the links or visit the website.
- In the event that a presenter has an internet outage and a session can not be started or suddenly stops, please give the presenter a few minutes to try and restart the session. If that fails, please click on another link and join a different session of your choice during that time slot.
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New Educators' Training
Perkins Conference Center
Richmond, KY
August 27, 2021

Visit www.kecsac.eku.edu to register!

Join us to learn what it means to work with state agency children and network with new colleagues! This training is required for teachers and administrators new to a KECSAC program this year.

6 EILA/PD Hours Available!

