

**Agenda**

2016 Research, Policy and Practice Conference  
11 AM – 6 PM ET  
October 26, 2016

11:00 AM – 4:30 PM Registration and resource desk open

Noon – 2:00 PM Interactive displays and networking

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM Breakout sessions

**I. Focus on Literacy**

**Facilitator: Kristyn Stewart, Senior Research Associate, School District of Philadelphia (SDP)**

- a. Overview to Anchor Goal 2 (AG2) approach – Chris Shaffer, Deputy, Curriculum and Instruction, SDP
  - I. Early Literacy Specialists – Doria Mitchell, Director, Special Projects, SDP
  - II. Assessments – Rodney Johnson, Director, Early Literacy, SDP
  - III. Reading Specialists – Donna Jacklin, Director, Early Literacy, SDP
- b. AG2 early literacy evaluation – Kristyn Stewart, Senior Research Associate, and Gernissia Cherfrere, Research Specialist, SDP
- c. Read by 4<sup>th</sup> – Jenny Bogoni, Director, Read by 4<sup>th</sup>
- d. PERC ELL mini-forum – Dr. Rosemary Hughes, Director, Philadelphia Education Research Consortium

**II. Transforming High Schools – Auditorium**

**Facilitator: Dr. Ted Wills, Senior Research Associate, SDP**

- a. Focus on 9<sup>th</sup> grade – Dr. Fred McDowell, Deputy, College and Career Readiness, SDP
- b. FAFSA completion project – Alexandria Robertson-Rogers, Executive Director, College and Career Readiness, SDP
- c. Ongoing evaluation of CTE – Dr. Ted Wills, Senior Research Associate, SDP
  - d. College and Career Readiness (Senior Exit) Survey results– Amber Goldberg, Program Manager, SDP
- e. Lessons from Baltimore – Dr. Marc Stein, Assistant Professor, Johns Hopkins University, and Dr. Faith Connolly, Executive Director, Baltimore Education Research Consortium

**III. Approaches to Improving Climate**

**Facilitator: Kelly Linker, SDP**

- a. Success mentors & City Year – Dave Weinstein, Senior Director of Service & Evaluation, City Year
- b. Bullying prevention – Dr. Stephen Leff, Co-Director, Violence Prevention, SDP Initiative, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
- c. PBIS/RP evaluation – Dr. Melissa Karakus, Research Specialist, SDP

- d. Disciplinary practices study – Dr. Abby Gray, Senior Research Specialist, Consortium for Policy Research in Education

**IV. Strategizing Partnerships**

**Facilitator: Kelsey Weir, SDP**

- a. Overview of the Office of Strategic Partnerships – Severin Tucker, Partnership Coordinator, SDP
- b. School support census results – Kelsey Weir, Program Coordinator, SDP
- c. 21C Community Learning Centers evaluation – Dr. Tracey Hartmann, Senior Research Associate, Research for Action
- d. Toolkit for partnerships – Dr. Sarah Costelloe, Senior Associate, Abt Associates

**V. New Approaches to Nutrition Education**

**Facilitator: Danielle Raucheisen, SDP**

- a. Evaluations of SNAP-Ed programming
- b. Recent shifts in SNAP-Ed efforts
- c. Implementation of SNAP-Ed in Philadelphia

4:00 PM – 4:45 PM

Break/Posters/Snacks

4:45 PM – 6:00 PM

Welcome and guest speaker

Dr. William R. Hite, Jr., Superintendent, SDP

Dr. Angela I. Preston, Implementation Specialist, National Implementation Research Network