

10th Annual Summer Leadership Institute

Pulling It All Together: Creating Coherence around the Connecticut Core Standards

June 26-27, 2014 Heritage Hotel, Southbury

Register now at http://casci.ac/934

Don't miss what the SLI provides you with each year: great PD and 2 days with colleagues in a setting conducive to relaxation, reflection and rejuvenation.





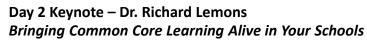
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Day 1 Keynote – Mr. Jonathan Costa Seeking Coherence to Sustain the Mission

Jonathan Costa is the Director of School and Program Services at EDUCATION CONNECTION, the regional service center for Northwest Connecticut. Jonathan has provided professional development opportunities throughout Connecticut on many topics with emphasis on the importance of educating students for the demands of the 21st century life, learning and work. Jonathan will introduce participants to a framework that helps to address the following questions: "How can leaders find coherence in the midst of competing and seemingly unassociated requirements like SEED, NEASC, CCSS, etc. and effectively integrate them into their core mission? How do leaders assist their various constituent groups in understanding that there are connections among these initiatives? How do principals report results in a coherent fashion that both assesses results and provides direction for future work without overwhelming staff along the way?"



Richard Lemons is the Deputy Director of the Connecticut Center for School Change. He has experience as a teacher, change coach, literacy coach, university professor, and policy advocate. Over the last fifteen years of his career, Richard has focused on supporting districts in large-scale instructional improvement and leadership development. Leveraging the Common Core State Standards to improve teaching and learning in classrooms represents a colossal lift for building and district leaders. These standards directly challenge existing expectations for what rigorous, high-quality learning looks like. As a result, they demand a different vision for quality instructional practice. In this presentation, Dr. Lemons will explore what teaching and learning should look like in a CCSS-aligned classroom. Moreover, he will explore the demands upon principals for guiding the transition of instruction toward these new demands.

Day 2 Wrap Up – Ms. Ellen Cohn So Where Do We Go From Here?

Previously, Ellen Cohn served as an assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction, middle school administrator, director of special education programs and as a RESC consultant. Currently, Ms. Cohn is the Academic Division Director at the CT Department of Education and is managing projects related to the Connecticut Core Standards, the next generation of assessments, K-3 Literacy, and Scientific Research Based Intervention (SRBI). Since she obviously has daily experience at the CSDE with "pulling it all together", Ms. Cohn will reflect on the two days of presentations, group discussions and conversation and provide us with her thoughts and suggestions for where we go from here from the perspective of one who has been in the field and is at the policy forefront.



Summer Leadership Institute 2 Day Workshop Agenda

Thursday, June 26th

7:30am-8:30am Registration and Refreshments

8:30am-8:50am Welcome, Karissa Niehoff, Executive Director, CAS

8:50am-10:50am Pulling It All Together, Jonathan Costa

11:00am-12:00pm Breakout Round 1 – How Danbury, Ellington, and

Southington are creating coherence around the

CT Core Standards (choose 1)

12:00pm-1:00pm Lunch (Eight Mile Brook)

1:00pm-2:00pm Breakout Round 2 – How Derby, East Hartford, and

Cromwell are creating coherence around the

CT Core Standards (choose 1)

2:15pm-3:15pm Facilitated Follow Up, Jonathan Costa

3:15pm-5:30pm Reflection, Relaxation, Rejuvenation

5:30pm-6:30pm Social Hour (Terraces - Cash Bar)

6:30pm-7:00pm Pulling It All Together in One School

Johnna Hunt, Principal, Hillside Intermediate School,

Naugatuck & CAS 2014 Middle School Principal of the Year

7:00pm-8:00pm Dinner (Garden Room)

8:00pm-9:00pm Evening Program: Dr. Steve Sobel – "It's a Great Life if

You Don't Weaken! Keys to Resilience and Leadership"

9:00pm... Reflection, Relaxation, Rejuvenation

Friday, June 27th

7:00am-8:30am Breakfast (Eight Mile Brook)

8:30am-10:30am Bringing Common Core Learning Alive in Your Schools

Richard Lemons

10:30am-10:45am Break

10:45am-11:45am So Where Do We Go From Here? Ellen Cohn

12:00pm-1:00pm Lunch (Eight Mile Brook)

1:00pm-3:00pm District Teams, Processing and "Next Steps" (Optional)

Summer Leadership Institute Comments from Participants

"The institute was well organized and challenged us to think outside of the box. It encouraged us to collaborate and work together to address the common core and the new CT reform."

"This was my first SLI experience during a time that I am embarking on a new leadership opportunity. The institute allowed me to begin the team-building process with my new administrative team and allowed us to contextualize information shared by the presenters within our school's framework."

"Time well spent – not overkill or too much info. The right amount of important info with time to process it."

"Great again!! Always a wonderful time to get new ideas, rejuvenate our passion, and bond with our own districts and other administrators."

"The SLI is a great opportunity to get insight and guidance on current issues that concern us all."

"Professionally organized, all needs taken into consideration, beneficial connections."

"Great facility, food, networking."

"Yes, I enjoy the time at the end of the year with colleagues from around the state. We all have the same issues – urban, suburban and rural!"

"Yes – excellent dialog with peers; excellent content; I feel confident that attendance at the SLI will increase student performance."

"Thank you to everyone who planned and executed this conference.

I will definitely attend next year."

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Registration Information

- Register online at http://casci.ac/934
- The closing date for submitting registrations is May 28, 2014, and early registration is encouraged.
- Participation is limited to 120 people and the Institute has sold out the past five years!
- Registration will be on a "first come, first served" basis with regional consideration.
- Due to limited seating, only those who can attend and actively participate in the full institute, Thursday morning through Friday afternoon, should apply.
- Team participation is strongly encouraged.
- CAS will make all hotel reservations.

Direct institute content questions to:
Mike Buckley at CAS, (203) 250-1111, or mbuckley@casciac.org

Direct registration questions to: Erin Guarino at CAS, (203) 250-1111, or eguarino@casciac.org

Fees

- The registration fee \$300.00 for CAS members, \$350.00 for non-CAS members, and \$250 for registered CCSS Leadership CoP participants.
 The Fee includes two days and one night at the Heritage Hotel, all meals and refreshments, and conference materials. CAS will make all hotel reservations.
- The fee is not altered if you are not staying overnight. You will be asked to make this decision for each participant in your group when you register. A separate Excel form will be filled out by the contact person which is available on our website. It is titled 2014 CAS SLI Registration Sheet.
- To check school membership status, go to www.casciac.org and click on directory.
- Purchase orders will be accepted, but PAYMENT MUST be received prior to May 28, 2014. Spots will not be held for those that are not paid in full by May 28, 2014. Credit cards are accepted.
- Check or purchase order should be made payable to the Connecticut Association of Schools and mailed to:

30 Realty Drive Cheshire, CT 06410 Attention: Erin Guarino

 Refunds will not be given due to cancellation after May 28, 2014 or for non-attendance at the institute.

Summer Leadership Institute The Heritage Hotel

The Heritage Hotel in Southbury offers spacious accommodations in a classic Connecticut setting. Guest rooms, many with views of the Pomperaug River and golf course, are complemented by state of the art conference rooms and full resort facilities.



Amenities include

- Fitness center
- Indoor/outdoor swimming pools
- Tennis
- Racquetball
- Ping pong
- Mountain biking
- Golf
- Sports Pub
- A variety of spa services

Accommodations and use of resort facilities are included in the Institute registration fee. Additional fees apply for golf, mountain bikes, spa services, and overnight guests not attending the Institute.

