

Registration:

Fees:

\$15 per advisor

\$10 per student

Participants will receive handouts

And a snack will be provided.

Schools must register online at

www.casciac.org/register

Deadline to register is December 4, 2014

Refunds due to cancellation or non-attendance will not be granted after this date.

Payments can be sent to:

The CT Association of Schools

30 Realty Drive

Cheshire, CT 06410

Attn: Jenn Sylvester

Please make checks payable to:

CAS or CT Association of Schools.

Questions / inquiries to :

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Workshop Agenda

8:00 – 8:30	Arrival and Registration
8:35	Welcome, Introduction, Overview
8:45	School Climate – A Student Panel
9:30	“Breakout Sessions” <u>School Climate Best Practices</u> -Students -Adults
10:30	Keynote Address “Social Media and School Climate: Using Social Media for Good” Ms. Eva Vega-Olds, Director Research and Communications Anti-Defamation League
11:20 – 11:30	Closing and Next Steps

Conference Goals:

- Participants will learn how school climate is affected by bias, bullying, and cyberbullying.
- Participants will understand the value of a student-centered approach to building a positive school climate.
- Participants will learn how social media can be an effective tool in shaping a positive school climate.
- Participants will share and learn student-led school climate best practices and leave with specific ideas and actions they can implement in their school

About the ADL



The Anti-Defamation League (ADL) was founded in 1913 “to stop the defamation of the Jewish people and to secure justice and fair treatment to all.” Now the nation’s premier civil rights/human relations agency, ADL fights anti-Semitism and all forms of bigotry, defends democratic ideals and protects civil rights for all.

As a leading provider of anti-bias education, the ADL's A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE Institute provides customizable, interactive training programs which focus on the development of an inclusive culture and respectful school climate by addressing issues of bias and bullying.

Ms. Eva Vega-Olds Keynote



Eva Vega-Olds has close to 20 years of experience in diversity, inclusion, and anti-bias training in education and non-profit settings across the nation. Her training style promotes the alignment of heart, mind, and action while appealing to the best intentions in all people.

Eva currently serves as the Director for Research and Communication for the National Education Division of the Anti-Defamation League, a century old civil rights organization. In addition to conducting general diversity and anti-bias training, Eva develops anti-bias training curriculum and oversees ADL Education Social Media, education blog, and major brand partnerships. Her social media work seeks to cultivate new media activism and provide anti-bias education opportunities online.

Eva earned her Bachelor’s Degree from Rutgers University and a Master’s Degree in Sociology from the New School for Social Research.

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/pub/eva-vega-olds/16/728/ba8>

Twitter: @EvaVegaWorld

Recent Media:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7l4gAWrxPXg>

About CAS Student Activities

“...providing exemplary programs and services to promote excellence in the education of all children...”

This year we will explore the essential question:

“I’m a leader, so now what?”

We will target 21st century leadership skill development and the common core skills of listening and speaking in all of our programs. Research shows that a positive school climate and culture helps students learn and perform at higher levels!

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The 12 Dimensions of School Climate *

Safety

1. Rules and Norms
2. Sense of Physical Security
3. Sense of Social-Emotional Security

Teaching and Learning

4. Support for Learning
5. Social and Civic Learning

Interpersonal Relationships

6. Respect for Diversity
7. Social Support-Adults
8. Social Support- Students

Institutional Environment

9. School Connectedness
10. Physical Surroundings

For Faculty & Staff

11. Leadership
12. Professional Relationships

***National School Climate Center**



The Connecticut Association of
Schools

in partnership with

The Anti-Defamation League

presents:

Student Centered Approaches To Improving School Climate On and Offline

Thursday, December 11, 2014

(Snow Date: December 12, 2014)

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