Keynote Speaker

Mark Scharenbroich

Building Connections, Improving Performance by Building School Climate

Mark Scharenbroich is easily recognized as one of the top speakers for both students and educators. His style is entertaining. His message is inspiring. His content is solid. Mark has 26 years of platform experience and had made 3,500 school presentations.

Mark’s keynote presentation will remind educators of the strong correlation between the positive connection an educator has with a student and the student’s performance in the classroom. Mark shares stories of master educators and their techniques in reaching students.

A key asset in transforming a good school into a great school is improving the collaborative spirit shared by all the staff members in a school. Mark will help all educators take action to build a stronger Educational team.

Luncheon Speaker

Thomas B. Mooney, Esq.  
Shipman & Goodwin, LLC. and  
Neag School of Education, UCONN

Thomas Mooney is active in all areas of school law, including labor negotiations for certified and non-certified staff; teacher tenure proceedings, grievance arbitration, freedom of information hearings, student disciplinary matters, special education disputes and all other legal proceedings involving boards of education.

In addition to his legal work on behalf of boards of education, Tom is Professor in Residence at the Neag School of Education, University of Connecticut, where he teaches Legal Issues in Organization Management and Legal Issues in Human Resource Management. Since 1985, Tom has also served as Adjunct Professor at the University of Connecticut Law School, where he teaches Law and Public Education.

AP Conference Registration

Register online: www.casciac.org/register

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Registration Fee:

$ 85 – CAS members
$ 65 – Each additional accompanying attendee
$ 65 – Aspiring assistant principals
$100 - Non CAS members

Select luncheon choice:

- New York Strip
- Baked Codfish
- Chicken Piccata
- Mushroom Angolotti

Select payment options:

- Full payment enclosed (check payable to CAS)
- PO #______ enclosed

No Refunds after March 17, 2006

Register by March 20, 2006.

The Connecticut Association of Schools  
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The 29th Annual Assistant Principals’ Conference  
March 27, 2006

MAKING CONNECTIONS

CT Convention Center  
Hartford

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Program

7:45-8:30 Registration/Refreshments
8:30-9:00 Keynote, Mark Scharenbroick
"Building Connections"
9:40-10:40 Workshop I
10:40-11:00 Exhibitors
11:00-12:00 Workshop II
12:15-1:00 Lunch
1:00 Speaker, Thomas B. Mooney

Workshop I

A. Breaking Ranks II Model School
   – Noble High School, featured as a model school in Breaking Ranks II is coming to CT!! The principal and staff members of this suburban Maine high school will join us to share insights as to successful first-steps in the implementation of BRII ideas.

B. Building Connections – Our keynote speaker, Mark Scharenbroich, will work with a small group as an extension of his keynote address. Participants will hear more about his approach and programs, and be able to ask questions pertaining to their individual school’s needs.

C. Transitioning to the principalship – Meet with a panel of experts including recently transitioned principals Mary Karas of Cheshire and Linda Carlson of East Granby, veteran principal Bob Pitocco of Rocky Hill, and Superintendent Ernie Perlini of Newington. Panelists will speak to the issue of what assistant principals need to know and prepare for in order to successfully transition to a principalship.

D. Applying for state and federal grants – Experts from CREC, Mark O’Donnell and Kate Pendergast, will lead the group in exploring private and corporate grants. They will aim to build the capacity for districts to do this for themselves; CREC also offers assistance to districts with this process.

E. A Professional Learning Community At Work – Diane Dugas, East Windsor Schools. Research from across decades and sources have identified “The most promising strategy for sustained, substantive school improvement is developing the ability of school personnel to function as a professional learning community.” Everyone is using the phrase Professional Learning Community. What are the components of a Professional Learning Community? What does it look like in action? How are Professional Learning Communities different than what we are already doing? How does it fit in to an already full plate? Will it really make a difference in student success? As educator’s we know what needs to be done to move forward, but are often challenged by obstacles as to how to move forward. Come engage in a nut’s and bolts session on a proven method that really is working!

Workshop II

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H. Drug Update for Administrators – Tom Bobkowsky, school resource officer of Monroe High School, will present useful information for administrators in recognizing and successfully dealing with popular drugs used by current teens. The information changes rapidly – this session will help the adults in a teen’s life learn what they need to know to work toward prevention.

I. Effective use of Technology for Administrators – Brian Czapla of Glastonbury will join us for a repeat performance of this session from previous conferences. He is at the forefront working with technological tools to help administrators work with data, compliment student databases, and simply manage a busy schedule.

In the event of extreme weather conditions, conference may be delayed. Call the CAS office at 203-250-1111 or visit the cascian.org website for up-to-date information.

0.4 CEUs awarded for full conference attendance.