At school, everyone’s job is to learn.

This conference is designed to assist administrators, professional development coordinators, department supervisors, and teacher leaders to support high levels of student achievement by promoting quality professional learning opportunities for all members of the school community.

The Connecticut Staff Development Council (CSDC) is committed to helping schools ensure the success of all students by serving as the Connecticut network to improve the quality of professional development activities across the state.

CSDC is an affiliate of the National Staff Development Council.
Agenda

8:00-8:45 Registration/Coffee
8:45-9:00 Welcoming Remarks
Dr. Steven Wlodarczyk, President, CSDC
Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum & Instruction
South Windsor Public Schools, South Windsor, CT
9:00-11:45 Transforming Teaching, Learning, and Relationships in Schools
Dr. Dennis Sparks, Executive Director
National Staff Development Council
12:00-12:45 Lunch
12:45-1:15 Keynote Address
Dr. Betty Sternberg, Commissioner of Education
State of Connecticut
1:30-3:30 Concurrent Sessions
3:45-4:15 Networking/Dialogue with CSDC Board Members

P.M. Concurrent Workshops
A. Embedding Professional Learning into the Life of a School
Dr. Karen List, Assistant Superintendent, Natalie Simpson, Principal
Florence E. Smith School, West Hartford, CT
This session will focus on sharing a template of a school-based model of professional learning that improves student achievement.

B. The Psychology of Quality in Professional Learning: From Rhetoric to Reality
William J. Barry, Associate Principal
South Windsor High School, South Windsor, CT
This presentation will provide participants with strategies to redefine quality in a way that is holistic, pragmatic, and measurable.

C. How to Support the Development of a Professional Learning Community
Dr. William Glass, Associate Superintendent
Danbury Public Schools, Danbury, CT
This workshop will highlight one district’s model of professional learning which capitalizes on data, the creation of instructional prescriptions, and shared resources.

D. Writing Goals for Teacher and Student Growth... Effective, Cost Efficient Professional Learning
Dr. Linette Branham, Education Issues Specialist
Connecticut Education Association
Participants will learn how to tie teacher learning needs to student learning needs and to write professional learning goals linked to school and district goals.

E. A Conversation with Dennis Sparks
Dr. Dennis Sparks, Executive Director, National Staff Development Council
This session will provide an opportunity to participate in an informal dialogue with one of the country’s most respected experts on professional learning.

Location: Hartford/Windsor Marriott Airport
28 Day Hill Road, Windsor, CT
Exit 38 off Interstate 91
Overnight guests, contact Kristine Grasso at 860-847-5016 to book a room at the reduced conference rate of $99.

Registration:
$150 includes conference, lunch, and one year membership in CSDC ($25 per year)
$135 includes conference and lunch, without membership
$135 reduced rate for teams of 3 or more registering together (includes one year membership in CSDC)

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Please check if needed: _________ Vegetarian Lunch
Registration Deadline: Friday, April 23, 2004