Middle school leaders and future leaders, jump start 2016 with an intensive leadership training day! Learn new skills, challenge old ideas and prepare to rise to a new level of leadership in your school, home and community!

Come to the Middle Level Leadership Conference 2016 at Trinity College on January 13, 2016.

Participate in workshops led by teachers, administrators, counselors, youth officers, and high school students which are designed to increase your skills in building a climate of acceptance, making a difference at school, taking risks, rising to the occasion, and social networking.

Participate in team-building activities, role-playing, and share experiences and ideas with peers.

A group session will also be offered to the advisors/chaperones who attend the conference with their students.

**SCHEDULE**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>8:00 - 8:20</td>
<td>Registration</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8:20 - 9:00</td>
<td>Team Building Session</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9:05 - 9:55</td>
<td>Breakout, Group Sessions</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:00 - 11:00</td>
<td>Breakout, Group Sessions</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:05 - 12:25</td>
<td>Breakout &amp; Lunch</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1:30 - 2:30</td>
<td>Assembly A’Rick Jackson</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2:30</td>
<td>Departure</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**DRESS FOR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION! (NO SKIRTS OR DRESSES PLEASE)**

**FULL LUNCH PROVIDED**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

DECEMBER 18, 2015

**REGISTER ONLINE:** [http://casci.ac/1394](http://casci.ac/1394)

For questions please email or call: Jadwiga Herrmann Brown @ jbrown@casciac.org or Jennifer Buckley @ jbuckley@casciac.org

**CT ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS**

30 Realty Drive
Cheshire, CT 06410
203-250-1111
www.casciac.org

### Middle Level Students!

**JUMP START YOUR NEW YEAR!**

**NEW YEAR! SKILLS!**

**2016**
Team Building Activities
Student participants will start the conference with a series of team building activities to introduce them to peers from other schools with whom they will work throughout the day.

Student leaders will:
- Participate in team-building activities with students from other schools;
- Respond to role-play situations;
- Talk with recognized student leaders from Connecticut high schools and universities;
- Share leadership experiences and ideas with peers;
- Go back to their schools and share new knowledge, ideas, and initiatives with decision-makers (i.e., administrators, teachers, and counselors).

Arthur Director Leadership Award
Participating schools are invited to apply for the Arthur Director Leadership award, a prestigious designation for advancing the ideals of the conference. The winning school will be presented with a plaque, and a check to support their work.

Applications will be available at the conference and on our website at: http://casci.ac/1393. Applications are due June 1, 2016.

Program
The Middle School Student Leadership Conference is a CAS initiative to train middle-level student leaders from the diverse groups in Connecticut middle schools. Since its inception, over 6,000 students in grades 6, 7, and 8 have been trained in bringing about positive change to their school climate. Students will participate in workshops designed to increase their skills in: Building a Climate of Acceptance, Making a Difference at School, Taking Risks & Rising to the Occasion, Social Networking

Led by teachers, administrators, youth officers, high school and college students, and counselors from around Connecticut, students will have opportunities to work together in small groups.

2015 Arthur Director Award Winners
Nathan Hale Middle School, Norwalk

The Dream Achiever
Closing Activity
Students will end the day with A’Ric Jackson in their school groups to begin planning “next steps” for improving their school climate back home.