On-line Registration

The conference registration fee is $15.00 per student attending from CAS or CASC middle level member schools. Chaperones and advisors will attend free of charge. Teams from non-member middle schools are welcome with the payment of an additional $100 per school.

Schools with a population of up to 500 may send 6 students. Schools with a population of over 500 may send one extra student for each additional 100 students. (i.e. schools with enrollment of 720 can bring 8 students.) Schools are strongly urged to send a diverse group of student leaders: student council and nontraditional leaders, boys and girls, 8th, 7th and 6th graders; a group that represents the diversity of your school population. Due to program and space limitations, only the first 400 students will be accepted. Student names are required at the time of registration.

On-line registration only at: www.casciac.org/register

If you have any problems, please call Janice at 203-250-1111 ext. 3903

Deadline December 11, 2009

Door to Door Directions: www.casciac.org/directions.shtml

In the event of inclement weather: www.casciac.org or 203-250-1111

Schedule

Registration 8:00 - 8:30
Team Building Session 8:30 - 9:20
Breakout Sessions 9:30 - 2:30
Advisor/Chaperone Sessions 8:45 - 11:15
Two lunch waves between 11:20 - 1:00
Departure 2:30

Dress for active participation!
(no skirts or dresses)

Full lunch provided
(Due to campus construction, we will not be serving continental breakfast)

The Connecticut Association
of Schools

in conjunction with
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Presents

Middle Level
Student Leadership
Training Conference

“Making Acceptance Acceptable”

Monday, January 11, 2010
Snow date: Tuesday, January 12, 2010
Quinnipiac University, Hamden, CT
8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
★★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.

★★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.

★★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 5,500 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.

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

★★Closing Activity★★
Students will end the day in their school groups to begin planning “next steps” for improving climate back home.

★★Advisor Session★★
One advisors/chaperone workshop will feature a structured roundtable discussion and sharing session on topics of your choice. Please send in your topic of interest when you register your team. Come prepared to share your ideas and initiatives.

The second advisor/chaperone workshop will feature “The Advisor Connection Team” (ACT) initiative from award winning John Winthrop Middle School. The program is a social development program designed to assist students in their personal growth and development. Learn how to help students become positive role models at school, home and in town.

0.3 CEUs will be awarded to those who attend both sessions.