ON-LINE REGISTRATION www.casciac.org/register **DEADLINE DECEMBER 10, 2014**

The conference registration fee is \$ 20.00 per student for students attending from CAS or CASC middle level member schools. Chaperones and advisors 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 over 500 may send one extra student for each additional 100 students. (i.e. schools with enrollment of 720

| Enrollment | Allowed Students | 1 |
|------------|---------------------|---|
| 500 | 6 | 1 |
| 600 | 7 | |
| 700 | 8 | |
| 800 | 9 | |

may bring 8 students). Schools are strongly urged to send a diverse group of students leaders: student council and nontraditional leaders, boys and girls in grades 6, 7 and 8; a group that represents the diversity of your school population. Due to program limitations, we cannot accommodate requests for additional students participants above the level allowed by school enrollment. We cannot admit any students into the conference who have not been registered in advance.

Dress for active participation! (no skirts or dresses)

FULL LUNCH PROVIDED

SCHEDULE

| Registration | 8:00 | - | 8:20 |
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| Team Building Session | 8:20 | - | 9:00 |
| Breakout, Group Sessions | 9:05 | - | 9:55 |
| Assembly Dr. Michael Fowlin | 10:00 | - | 11:00 |
| Breakout, Group Sessions & Lunch | 11:05 | - | 1:25 |
| Assembly A'Rick Jackson | 1:30 | - | 2:30 |
| Departure | | | 2:30 |



Middle Level Student Leadership Conference



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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.



Dodd Middle School in Cheshire 2014 Winners



Building a Climate of Acceptance

Making a Difference at School

Taking Risks & Rising to the Occasion

Social Networking

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.

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).

Closing Activity

Students will end the day with A'Rick Jackson their school groups to begin planning "next steps" for improving climate back home.



The Dream Achiever

Special Session

will feature Dr. Michael Fowlin, noted Actor/Psychologist/Poet, who will address the group on issues of race, discrimination, violence prevention and personal identity.



"You Don't Know Me Until You Know Me "