CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS FOR THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON STUDENT ACTIVITIES
Sponsored by the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WORKSHOP DIRECTORS
“FIELDS OF OPPORTUNITIES – CULTIVATING LEADERSHIP”
Des Moines, Iowa – December 6 to 8, 2019

Today’s NAWD organization is more than an organization for student council advisors and workshop directors. It is an organization dedicated to providing educational forums and resources for adults who work with the young people of America. The goals are to facilitate networking with others, and to learn new ways of teaching leadership, communications, motivation, teamwork, organizational structure, personal organizational skills, and project and event planning.

NAWD’s ultimate mission is to be the voice of student activities and leadership education in America, and to sponsor the annual National Conference on Student Activities that brings together different groups of like-minded leadership educators and newly-minted activity advisors for a weekend of learning, networking, and fun. It is NAWD’s goal that the participants will be inspired during the three days of the conference and will return to their homes and communities to make the most significant difference possible in the lives of their students, colleagues, and community members.

NAWD has a tradition of using the educational conference sessions of the conference as a platform for innovation in the field of student activities. NAWD seeks contributors who are willing to share their expertise without an expectation of payment in the spirit of networking, a purpose for which the association was founded.

Information regarding registration, hotel, pre-trip, etc. can be found at https://nawd.com.

Workshop Session Goals

The National Conference on Student Activities is designed to provide program strands that encourage participation by a wide variety of activity advisors, school administrators, leadership educators, motivational speakers, and consultants. Based round four major strands, all ideas for workshops from your unique perspectives are welcomed at Fields of Opportunities – Cultivating Leadership.

From lesson ideas and activities to engage elementary, middle level and high school students to workshops focused on building better summer camps, conferences, leadership classes and student councils, we look forward to bringing together the movers and shakers in student activities from around the nation. Potential presenters are asked to review topic areas and create 45-minute workshop presentations based on the suggested themes. To get you thinking about workshop possibilities and to begin Cultivating Leadership, we have defined four workshop strands each with guiding questions. The list of topics is designed to stimulate thinking about potential presentations and not to place constraints on the creativity of the presentations.
2019 National Conference on Student Activities
WORKSHOP STRANDS & DESCRIPTIONS

**PLANTING the Seeds of Leadership**
Workshops from this category focus on **PLANTING** the seeds of ideas and developing a message for successful projects and programs. Possible topics might include:

- Publicity
- Promoting your organization
- Branding
- Networking

**NURTURING our Leaders**
Workshops from this category focus on **NURTURE**ING individuals within the organization and the entire school while creating a positive school culture. Possible topics might include:

- Safety/Security
- Mental Health
- Mindfulness
- School Culture/Climate
- Organization and planning

**GROWING our Organizations**
Workshops from this category focus on **GROWING** the skills of your membership, involving a diverse group of students and adults that will support the mission and goals of your organization. Possible topics might include:

- Fundraising
- Building Relationship/Connections
- Student/Staff Engagement
- Inclusion
- Leadership Lessons/Training
- Camp Curriculum

**HARVESTING the Fruits of Our Labor**
Workshops from this category focus on **HARVESTING** the fruits of your planting, nurturing and growing. Meeting your goals, reflecting/evaluating on the final product, and building a successful school activity or activity program. Possible topics might include:

- Reflection/Evaluation
- Using Technology Effectively
- School Spirit
- Building relationships with school staff
- Building relationships with parents and the community
Concurrent sessions will be held at the Des Moines Marriott Downtown on Saturday, December 7. **Sess**

O sessions are 45 minutes in length. We will have a total of twenty-five or more breakout sessions in three time slots. **Please submit the following information to Jim Finnemeyer at finnemeyer@nawd.com no later than September 10, 2019.**

Decisions on breakout workshops are expected to be made between September 15 and October 1 and all applicants will then be notified and can plan accordingly.

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If you have had the opportunity to present this workshop before, please share where that has been. If there is a link to an uploaded video of you presenting, please share that here.

Title and very brief description for the program:

*Please also send a photo that would be appropriate to include in the conference program.*

Specific AV needs that you would have for this presentation (Please assume that screens and projectors are not in the rooms unless requested.):

*(Please indicate any equipment that you will personally provide (i.e.: computer):)*

*NOTE: Once a session is accepted, the presenter will be asked to upload content that can be shared by all attendees at the conference.*