July 8, 2016

**Announcing:** 2016 SoDakSACA 17th Annual Conference
October 13th, 14th & 15th 2016

**TO:** Talented speakers ready to share their knowledge and enthusiasm with School age care providers

**FROM:** Ryan Zens, Conference Committee Chair
2016 SoDakSACA Conference Chair

**RE:** 2016 SoDakSACA Conference - Request for Proposals

The South Dakota School-Age Care Alliance (SoDakSACA) is an organization of people interested in providing and promoting quality out-of-school programs in South Dakota. With more and more parents working, the need for safe and enriching programs before and after school, during school holidays, and in summer is becoming greater each year. With that comes a need for high quality, appropriate training for those involved in providing these programs.

The 2016 SoDakSACA Conference will be held October 13-15 with a great pre-conference session on the afternoon of October 13th. This will all take place at The Deadwood Lodge in Deadwood SD. It is the intent of the board of directors of this organization to provide a wide spectrum of conference sessions addressing the needs of those staff in administrative positions, as well as line staff roles of both elementary and middle school programs. (Share the magic that works for you it might be someone else’s saving grace!!) We are looking for some great summer sessions to help with summer camp planning as well. This year’s goal of the conference is to provide as many hands on sessions that line staff can take back to their programs and use. We would also like to incorporate a director’s track that can be a time for directors and owners to share stories about their successes and an opportunity for questions and answers.

SoDakSACA invites you to present at the annual conference in October at the Deadwood lodge in Deadwood. Sessions will be 1 or 1.5 hours in length. **Proposals must be postmarked by August 5th, 2016 to be considered for presentation.** Evaluation of proposals will be based on current best practice standards such as those supported by the National After School Association (NAA). If you have any questions regarding this conference or the request for proposal form, contact Ryan Zens at (605) 430-2671. Please email all proposals to SoDakSACAConference@gmail.com & ryanzens87@gmail.com.

We look forward to receiving a proposal from you! Please share this document with anyone who might be interested in presenting at our conference. Thanks!
Request for Proposals

2016 SoDakSACA Conference
October 14, 15 2016
The Deadwood Lodge
Deadwood, SD

SoDakSACA
2016 SoDakSACA 17th Annual Conference

Name: __________________________________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________________

Agency and Title: _________________________________________________________________

City, State and Zip: ________________________________________________________________

Email Address: ______________________________ Phone number(s): ______________________

**Workshop Title** (seven words or less) __________________________________________________

**Presentation Style:** circle one: Interactive lecture make and take panel discussion

**Presenter Background** - Include a BRIEF biography and professional resume related to school-age care. (Describe your specific local, regional and/or national experience as a speaker or presenter.)

**Short Description for Conference Brochure** - 50 words or less *(Please be sure this is exactly what you want in the brochure)*

**Participant Outcomes** - What can attendees expect to learn during this session?

**Target Audience** – Please identify which audience your presentation would be most appropriate for

- [ ] Program Directors
- [ ] Site Staff (elementary)
- [ ] Site Staff (middle school)
- [ ] General

*If the number of participants needs to be limited, please indicate the maximum number of participants per session.

Are you willing to repeat your presentation?  [ ] Yes  [ ] No
The following training requirements are mandated for providers in the school age field. Please indicate what category your presentation would best fit into.

- Child Growth and Development (brain development, social & emotional, etc.)
- Child Abuse and Neglect
- Guidance of Children
- Observing Children (documentation, screening and assessment etc.)
- Identifying & Preventing Communicable Diseases
- Program Safety (health, transportation & safety)
- Program Management & Regulation (administration, accreditation, community partnerships, etc.)
- Interpersonal Communication & Relationships
- Cultural Diversity
- Learning Environments
- Age-Appropriate Planning (curriculum, literacy, creativity, mathematics, etc.)
- Professionalism (advocacy, ethics, networking, leadership, stress management, etc.)
- Partnerships with Parents (family support, parent involvement, fatherhood)
- Inclusion of all children (children with special needs)

All rooms will be set in classroom style. If you need special room set up please indicate your needs below and we will try to accommodate your needs.

Free registration will be available to one presenter per breakout session. Meal costs are not included with the free registration. You will be asked to complete a Presenter Registration Form if your proposal is accepted. You may choose to pay for your meals at that time.

*AV equipment is the sole responsibility of the presenter.

*Presenters must provide their own handouts.*

Notification of the approximate number of conference participants will be shared by October 3rd.

Proposals are due August 5th, 2016. Please send an electronic copy to SoDakSACAconference@gmail.com, ryanzens87@gmail.com & bake@spe.midco.net. If emailing is not possible, please send two copies of the proposal and your presentation information to:

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