

NEWS for Youth Work Professionals

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

People Serving People Is Collecting School Supplies

PSP is collecting school supplies for the ~1,000 pre-/school-age children they shelter each year. If you would like to donate to this effort, click on this to the Wish List [link](#).



Take Your Children to School Promotion

Above The E.D.G.E. is encouraging men to take their children to school during the first week of school.

- Be a presence on your child's first day of school.
- Speak with teachers, the principal, other parents.
- Be involved!
- Let your child know that you will be supportive all year.
- Eat lunch with your child if possible.
- Document the experience.

Use #ATE1week for pics and videos on social media. Share your pictures and/or pledge below on our [Facebook](#) and [twitter](#) pages. (Participants in the event include fathers, big brothers, grandfathers, step-fathers, foster fathers, uncles, cousins, significant male caregivers, mentors and family friends. Although this event is created by black men, men of all colors are encouraged to take the pledge and take their children to school during the first week. [Take the Pledge](#). To volunteer, contact "Coach Q" Drakeford at 612-208-7762.

Ann Bancroft Foundation Grants for Minnesota Girls

Dare to Dream and Let Me Play Grants for girls 10 years-high school graduation that live in Minnesota and have an adult mentor (not an immediate family member or the activity provider) who will guide her through the application process. Visit the [Ann Bancroft Foundation](#) for program info, guidelines and application instructions. Deadline: Oct. 15.

U OF M & YOUTHPRISE Survey

The U of M, with Youthprise, is conducting a survey on the Social and Emotional Learning Initiative "From Understanding to Action" to collect information from OST (out of school time) leaders on their perspectives on social and emotional learning, its importance, assessment, barriers, and efforts in this area. The survey takes about 20 minutes. [Take the survey!](#) Your email will be entered in a drawing to win one of two iPad minis or a \$25 gift card.

EVENTS

Hawthorne Huddle

September 4, 7:30-8:45AM, Farview Park, 621 29 Ave. N
Hear about some of the excellent arts programs in north Minneapolis and learn about the powerful impact on young people. A continental breakfast will be available at 7:15AM

September Youth Worker Meetings:

Northside Youth Workers: Sept. 9, 4-5:30PM, Farview Park- "Moving Beyond Historical Trauma"

Southside Youth Workers: Sept. 11, noon-1:30PM, Pillsbury House- "Helping Youth Develop Healthy Relationships"

Eastside Providers: Sept. 17, 11AM-noon, program/site TBA

Igniting Quality: Free Youth Program Quality Conference

Sept. 19, 8:30AM-4:00PM, Xcel Energy Center - St. Paul MN. Lunch will be provided. Sessions at the Conference include:

- 1) A full day track on the YPQA for Self-Assessment Course
If you want to spend the whole day learning about how to self-assess using the YPQA, please register [here](#) for the day.
- 2) Taking Quality to Scale in Out-of-School Time Programs

• Encouragement vs. Praise • How Does Program Quality Work with Girls? • Involving Youth in the YPQA • How do program quality measures and social emotional learning relate? • Local networks and system focused discussion time • and many more. If you want to attend the general conference and attend a variety of sessions, register [here](#). Questions? Contact Deborah Moore at ddm2@umn.edu. The conference is part of the continuing support for youth program quality provided by the U of M's Youth Work Learning Lab in the School of Social Work and with the support of partners including: Youthprise, Sprockets, U of M Extension, Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board, Minnesota 21st Century Learning Centers, Ignite After School

A-GRAD Back to School Event Seeks Afterschool Program Providers in Hennepin County

September 20, 2:30-4:30pm, Minneapolis Central Library
Free food, entertainment, door prizes, educational information and afterschool resources to families and county-involved youth ages 12-15. A-GRAD (Accelerating Graduation by Reducing Achievement Disparities) is the county's commitment to ensure that youth graduate from high school, especially those who access county services. Bring brochures and materials that will attendees register for your program. There is no table fee. Please bring giveaways for attendees. Register at [Eventbrite](#) by Sept. 12.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

Minneapolis Youth Congress (MYC) Seeking Members

Applications due: September 26, 2014

The MYC is a representative body of youth that has authentic power and influence in decisions and policies relevant to youth, and that works in collaboration with elected officials focusing on a common understanding of the welfare of the youth in the City of Minneapolis.

The Congress Advises:

- City of Minneapolis
- Minneapolis Public Schools
- Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board
- Hennepin County
- Hennepin County Library
- Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board

Membership and Structure:

- 40- 50 members
- 8th -12th grade
- Term flexible based on grade/expectations
- Full congress meets 12 times a year
- Committees meet 12 times a year
- Housed at the Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board

Committees are:

- Education
- Housing
- Safety
- Employment
- Transportation
- Health

See attached info and application sheet. Questions: Mplyouthcongress@gmail.com or call 612-673-3457
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[Heart of the Beast Saturday Puppet Shows For Kids!](#)

22 shows, some old favorites and some brand new.



[Rock Your Block](#)

A safe web application helping youth ages 13-24 find jobs in their local communities.

[Archived NEWS for Youth Work Professionals Newsletters here.](#)

MORE EVENTS

Community Empowerment Through Black Men Healing Conference: Shifting the Paradigm: A focus on African American trauma as a public health issue”

September 19 & 20. Click [here](#) for details and registration.

PACER’S RUN, WALK, ROLL AGAINST BULLYING: SEPT. 20

A fun family event at Mt. Normandale Lake Park in Bloomington features a 4-mile run, a 2-mile walk/roll, entertainment, prizes, and activities. Learn more including how to sponsor a participant and promote the event online [here](#). This event kicks off PACER’s National Bullying Prevention Month (October).

Augsburg Fairview Academy Back to School Resource Fair Seeks Health, Housing Childcare & Community Providers

September 25, 3:00-7:00PM, 2504 Columbus Ave., Mpls. The academy is a charter high school for young adults from diverse communities to prepare for college, career, and life. Represent your program. Tables are free. RSVP [Elizabeth Saunby](#) or 612-333-1614. See attached flyer.

YIPA Fest: September 26 [Register Now!](#)

Cultural Resilience: A Framework for Promoting Assets

Oct. 2, 8:30AM-Noon, McNamara Alumni Center and online webinar. Free. Registration required. [Learn more.](#)

ADULT TRAINING

Behavioral Institute for Children and Adolescents (BICA) START - Social Skills Training & Aggression Replacement Techniques -September 17 & 18

SKILLSTREAMING - Social Skills Workshop-September 30
Find more information and registration [here](#).

[YIPA Bullying Online Course in September](#)

[The Nuts and Bolts: Experiential Education 101 for Youth Workers: YIPA Training](#)

October 2, 9AM- 4PM, Dodge Nature Center

ADULT EMPLOYMENT

Openings at YMCA Sheridan Beacons Center

Part-time Group Leader (youth worker). Go to www.sheridanbeacons.blogspot.com Click 'work with us'

East Side Neighborhood Services:

ALC Teacher Luxton, Lead Youth Worker Edison, Program Manager Heritage Academy, Program Manager Venture Academy, Youth Employment Coordinator. [View here.](#)

Sign up for the Minneapolis Job Seeker Bulletin

Go to [DEED’s website](#) and select the “WFC-Minneapolis” bulletin/newsletter. [Read current issue online now.](#)