



New York State School Social Workers' Association Call for Proposals

Calling All Experts:

Whether you're a seasoned School Social Worker (SSW), relatively new to the field with programs and approaches that work or you have specialized knowledge relative to the practice of School Social Work; you are invited to share your expertise, success stories, insights and intervention strategies at the 2024 New York State School Social Workers' Association State Conference which will be held November 14 & 15, 2024 at The Sagamore Resort on Lake George.

NYSSSWA's State Conference offers opportunities for providing SSWs with increased knowledge, training, expert-led sessions, networking opportunities and more. We're excited to share best practices as well as strategies, tips and tricks used to increase positive outcomes for students and educators that provide actionable takeaways when attendees return to their school districts. We would like to encourage you share your expertise and experiences by submitting a workshop proposal for consideration by the Conference Committee. Please note the following:

Sessions:

Length:

Session times may run 60, 90, 120 or 180 minutes in length depending on the amount of time you think you may need to deliver your specialized content. Is the timing of your proposed workshop flexible? Please indicate if you are open to adjusting the workshop schedule. The committee will review all scheduling needs and communicate with you regarding timing adjustments.

Guidelines for Sessions and Proposals:

- Please note the level of your target audience: **“Beginner”** sessions should target someone new to the field of School Social Work or who has little to no knowledge on a specific topic. (Remember that practitioners who are “new to the field of School Social Work” still have an LMSW or LCSW.) **“Intermediate”** sessions should be designed for practitioners who have some knowledge of the topic and who are looking to advance their skills. **“Advanced”** sessions should target practitioners who are very knowledgeable on the topic and looking for more depth of information & skill sets.)

- Please select the grade levels that you will **PRIMARYLY** be targeting i.e. “Preschool”, “Elementary”, “Middle School”, “High School” **unless** your information is truly applicable to all levels, i.e. “K – 12”.
- Proposals should generally include at least one presenter who has an LMSW or LCSW but **may also** be approved based on specialized expertise.

Speaker Fee:

NYSSSWA is a small organization with a very limited budget. Speaker costs will be negotiated on an individual basis.

Timeline:

- April 1, 2024: Call for Proposals Deadline
- May 15, 2024: Speakers will be notified
- November 14 – 15, 2024: 59th NYSSSWA State SSW Conference (2024) at The Sagamore Resort on Lake George.

We look forward to receiving and reviewing your proposals! Please direct any questions to member.services@nyssswa.org

All proposals are due April 1, 2024. Submit your proposal now!