



Workshop Proposal -- Topics of Interest - 2026

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New York State School Social Workers' Association



We know School Social Workers across New York are doing fabulous things to assist students. We want to hear the wonderful things **YOU** or **YOUR COLLEAGUES** are doing to meet the needs of students, families and educators.

This is your opportunity to submit a proposal to be part of the **61st School Social Work State Conference** which will be held at The Ithaca Hotel at Ithaca, New York beginning on **Wednesday Evening, November 11 to Friday November 13, 2026** which is sponsored by the New York State School Social Workers' Association. Based on past attendee input, we are especially interested in the **"Topics of Interest"** below. If you also know of others who may have expertise, **PLEASE pass this along OR** let us know so we can follow up. Don't delay.

Top Topics of Interest Include*:

- ADHD Interventions
- AI and Other Platforms (SSWs Use of AI)
- Anxiety
- ASD Intervention
- Attendance
 - School Avoidance
- Behavioral Interventions
 - Managing Challenging Behaviors
- Crisis Intervention: Micro/Macro
- DBT Training/Interventions
- Ethics in School Social Work
- Immigration
- LGBTQ:
 - Advocacy/Understanding
- Non-Suicidal Self-Harm
- Parental Engagement
- Play Therapy
- Restorative Practices/Interventions
- Self Care
 - Burnout Prevention
 - Importance of Sleep
 - Yoga
- Social Media:
 - Impact
 - Understanding
 - Gaming
 - Porn
- Special Education:
 - Knowledge/ Process/Roles
 - IEP Goals
 - FBAs/BIPs
- Student Engagement
- Threat Assessment:
 - Evaluation/Procedure

*Topics based on 2025 attendee feedback.



Help us provide a fabulous Conference and Professional Development experience. Take time to submit your proposals today to member.services@nyssswa.org

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