



Office of the State Superintendent of Education

It Takes a City: *DC Does it Best!* Call for Proposals

The District of Columbia's Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) is pleased to announce its final LEA Institute, *It Takes a City: DC Does it Best!*, to be held May 1-2, 2015, in Washington, DC. OSSE is currently accepting proposals from researchers and practitioners that reflect high quality, innovative best practices.

Proposals should focus on one (or more) of the following strand areas of research and practice:

- Early Childhood
- Special Populations (i.e., instruction, positive behavior supports, related service delivery, secondary transition, ELL)
- Instruction and the Common Core
- STEM and the Next Generation Science Standards
- Positive Behavior Supports
- Parent/Family and Engagement
- Educator Effectiveness

The purpose of this Institute is to provide teachers, related service providers, administrators, and families with the opportunity to attend high quality sessions in the field of education. Participants will select from robust sessions within the strands listed above. Local and national presenters will provide participants with the latest innovations in the field, including research- and evidence-based practices, to enhance professional and personal growth that will improve outcomes for students in the District.

The criteria for the proposals will be evaluated according to the following standards:

- Rationale for Presentation
- Participant Outcomes
- Relevance to Learners, Families, and/or Educators of Diverse Backgrounds
- Evidence of Effectiveness

To be considered, completed proposals must be submitted by 11:59pm Eastern Standard Time (EST), Friday, March 20, 2015. Presenters will be notified of their selection no later than Friday, March 27, 2015. The State Institute Committee will review proposals. Sessions that include evidence- and/or research-based practices, emerging ideas, creative trend research, and strategic solutions to current issues that have potential high-yield results will be given preference. Proposals should encourage active learning and audience engagement, leaving time for discussion and interaction.

Interested individuals may submit proposals using the link provided on the Institute's website: [DC Does it Best!](#)

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For questions or difficulties in accessing the online form, please contact the OSSE Teaching and Learning staff at osse.tta@dc.gov or 202-724-7878.

There is no cost of registration associated with this conference for presenters or participants.

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