

**The Western New York Educational Service Council announces an  
important professional development opportunity  
2016-2017**

**“THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR SEMINAR SERIES”**

(For New, Nearly New, or Experienced Principals, Assistant Principals, or those in  
Central Office positions such as Directors and Coordinators)

Administrators need strong and continuing professional development to help them grow and be successful. Administrative positions are becoming more challenging and complex every year. It takes time for all and especially those less experienced in the field to understand how they will function in this most important role.

## THE TOPICS

**Wed 10/12 *Learning Styles - Understanding the Impact on Learning and Leading***

The presenter will provide an overview to identifying and understanding the Four Learning Styles of Students, Teachers and Leaders. Participants will have the opportunity to apply this information within their own learning to understand how we, as leaders, can connect more successfully with teachers (and members of our communities) and how teachers can connect more successfully with students.

**8:00-10:00 AM**

**Presenter:** Karen Cuddy-Miller, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Grand Island School District

**Wed 11/9 *The New Face of Addiction: The Average American Teenager***

The presentation will include an in depth look at substance abuse and addiction among teenagers today. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about the ever-changing signs, symptoms, and trends of adolescent substance abuse as well as the services that are available in WNY to address the epidemic. The factual part of the presentation will be followed by a mother sharing her personal story of her sons struggles with addiction. The presentation will conclude with an opportunity for the audience to address questions and concerns.

**8:00-10:00 AM**

**Presenter:** Jessica Hutchings, Program Director for Kids Escaping Drugs Face to Face Program (and team member).

**Wed 12/7 *Implementation of the Paperless Classrooms and Other Technology Advancements***

The presenters will discuss the cutting edge technology tools being utilized in a local area school district. The implementation process for the paperless classroom and other technology tools to enhance student learning and engagement will be discussed.

**8:00-10:00 AM**

**Presenters:** Jon MacSwan, Superintendent of Cleveland Hill School District, Sarah Janis, CH Technology Integrator and Sarah Krajewski, CH ELA Teacher

**Wed 1/11 *The Impact of APPR on Contracts and Other Emerging Trends In New York State***

The presenter will discuss the impact of recent APPR regulations on contracts and other trends emerging from the State Education Department, Governor's Office, and the New York Legislature in the current school year.

**8:00-10:00 AM**

**Presenter:** Jim Viola, Director of Government Relations with SAANYS

**Wed 2/15 *Hiring Best Practices, Tips on Landing Your Promotion***

The presenter will discuss tips/procedures/and what to look for during the hiring process. The presentation will focus on what needs to be done to hire the best candidate available. In addition, the presenter will offer tips and suggestions for attaining a promotion.

**8:00-10:00 AM**

**Presenters:** JoAnn Balazs, Assistant Superintendent, Sweet Home School District

**Alternate date: 3/8/17**

FORMAT: Working Breakfast Meetings – Mentoring Atmosphere

LOCATION: The Millennium Airport Hotel, 2040 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga, NY

These sessions offer an opportunity for less experienced administrators to learn from seasoned pros and perhaps develop some collegial networking and mentoring relationships. **\$325.00 for all five sessions. \$250.00 for Service Council Affiliate Districts.**