

Evaluation 101

Don't have money for evaluation? Come to this session to learn about easy and affordable ways to design your surveys and generate reports that your finders like to see. Dr. Jamie Wu will share with you a few tips and cheap to low cost resources to help you with the evaluation. No experience needed!

Core Competencies: Professional Development & Leadership

Presenter: Jamie Wu

Global Connections – Visual Letters

Introduce participants to global connections through children's artwork of "visual letters". Participants will learn a communication activity, be introduced to the Michigan 4-H Children's Art Exchange with China, try making their own visual letters and leave with ideas on how to start their own possible art exchanges.

Core Competencies: Cultural Competency & Responsiveness

Presenter: Janis Brinn

Smash'ing Good Time

Give participants a brief introduction to the SCRATCH coding language and explore problem solving using ill-structured problems.

Core Competencies: Interactions with Youth, Cultural Competency & Responsiveness

Presenter: Joseph Weertz

Panel Workshop

Core Competencies: MISAYD, Online classes, MI Registry Information, CyperWorks

Instill the Joy of Reading All Summer Long: Turn the Summer into the Summer Leap

Explore ways we can instill the joy of reading all summer long by participating in discussions, preliminary summer planning, and instructional practice to determine how to support the child in school, at home, and in the community.

Core Competencies: Youth Growth & Development, Strength Based Model for Instructional Design

Presenter: Charlyn Henderson

Best Practices in Designing High Performance Afterschool STEM Programs

Help learn how to develop a robust after school STEM program that drives up student performance in the classroom and provides them with the necessary skills to progress into STEM related jobs and compete for STEM scholarships.

Core Competencies: Youth Growth & Development and Learning Environment & Curriculum

Presenter: Keith Young

Let's Talk About Your Life

Panel discussion with students about the issues they may face.

Core Competencies: Youth Engagement, Observation and Assessment

Presenter: Alicia Birong

What If? Now What?

Walk through five best practices for scaling your program that worked for one organization who tripled locations and attendance from one year to the next. For fun, let's explore 5 worse practices experienced by the same organization.

Core Competencies: Program Planning & Development

Presenter: Beverlee Wenzel

Walk, Listen, and Learn with The Walking Classroom

Introduce afterschool coordinators and staff to programs that kids will enjoy and that their participants can benefit from physically, mentally, emotionally, and academically.

Core Competencies: Youth Growth & Development, and Youth, Family, School, Partnerships

Presenter: Dave Yoder

Introduction to A Three-Tier Approach to Social Emotional Learning

This interactive workshop will share information on our four-year SEL journey with lessons learned, introduce social emotional learning to participants, provide an overview of the eight domains, and review strategies-based on DESSA data.

Core Competencies: Interactions with Youth and Youth Growth/Development

Presenter: Lonna Hardin

The Quest to Teach Chess; Even If You Don't Know How to Play

Learn step-by-step process to introduce the game slowly to students as you learn to play right along with them. Plus, learn more free resources available to you.

Core Competencies: Youth Growth & Engagement, Professional Development

Presenters: Jeff Jantz & Peter Durham

Partners, Collabs, and YOU

Teach the best practices for reaching out to partners who will help engage youth in ways that expand your capacity without expanding your budget.

Core Competencies: Family, School, and Community Partnerships

Presenters: Mallory DePrekel & Meg McElhone

Safe Havens: Integrating Trauma Informed-Care

Join us as we learn ways to engage young people by creating safe and supportive environments with the goal of helping youth thrive in the face of adversity.

Core Competencies: Safety & Wellness and Youth Growth/Development

Presenter: Kirk Lewis

How Hip-Hop Helps | The Glad Dad

This training session will assist with bridging the gap between teachers and their African American and Hispanic students and will offer new concepts on how to increase achievement levels in language and literacy, reduce truancy, connect with students, and increase their graduation rate.

Core Competencies: Cultural Competency & Responsiveness and Youth Engagement

Presenter: Dion Chavis

Teaching Science When You Don't Know Diddly-Squat

A series of simple hands-on science lessons that anyone can do, even without a science background and with simple materials that you already have. They are focused on the Next Generation Science & Engineering Practices.

Core Competencies: Learning Development and Program Planning

Presenters: Darren Bagley & Insa Raymond

Giving A Fish a Bath: The Untold Story of the Adolescent Mind

Reveals why teens are especially vulnerable to drug use, high risk peer influence and depression as well as the proactive measures adults can take to minimize exposure to these dangers.

Core Competencies: Safety & Wellness, Youth Growth & Development

Presenter: Gloria J. Sherman

PBS Kids

Struggling to access resources that connect kids and families to engaging learning opportunities during out-of-school time? Join Robin Pizzo as she shares what PBS Kids has to offer to create quality learning experiences. Through innovative multi-platform media content and community engagement activities, PBS is leading the way in learning.

Core Competencies: Youth Growth & Development, Youth Engagement

Presenter: Robin Pizzo

Raingardens – Good for Kids and the Environment

Make connections between rain gardens, watershed stewardship, and environmental stewardship. Learn critical elements of raingarden design and implementation, as well as engage in hands-on water related activities.

Core Competencies: Interactions with Youth & Learning Environment and Curriculum

Presenters: Dixie Sandborn & Kathy Fischer

Emotional Intelligence and ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences)

Recognize how emotions and adverse childhood experiences affect your behavior and health, assess life experiences and identify areas where you wish to do things differently, and negotiate and resolve disagreements.

Core Competencies: Family, School, and Community Partnerships & Youth Engagement

Presenter: Edith Boswell

Impacts of Bullying and Harassment on Social Emotional Learning

Join 16-year-old Bella Guerrazzi, a sophomore from Michigan as she discusses her experience with bullying and harassment. She will explain how that experience impacted her as a student and focus on self-awareness, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision making.

Core Competencies: [Safety & Wellness and Family, School, and Community Partnerships](#)

Presenters: Kimberly Guerrazzi & Bella Guerrazzi

Partners for Literacy: Collaborating with Your Public Library

Share ideas from Kalamazoo's out-of-school time partnerships to get you thinking about how your public library can fit into your program goals. Will include dos and don'ts and literacy resources.

Core Competencies: [Program Planning & Development and Family, School Planning](#)

Presenters: Andrea Vernola & Jill Lansky

Book Access for All: Sharing Books with Kalamazoo's Youth in the OST Sector

Share resources for book selection, program development ideas for sharing those books, and resources for funding and purchasing books for your OST programs. By creating literacy rich environments in our OST programs, all youth can experience the impact of rich book collections to choose from.

Core Competencies: [Learning Environment & Curriculum](#)

Presenters: Andrea Vernola & Jill Lansky

Enhancing SEL Through Physical Activity

Experience first-hand how simple and easy it is to integrate the five key components of SEL and physical activity through the Skillastics technique.

Core Competencies: [Health & Wellness, Youth Growth & Development, Engagement](#)

Presenter: Sherry Bell

Helping Students Set & Achieve Goals

Encounter a model that helps students connect with their passion and understand the difference between process, performance, and outcome goals.

Core Competencies: [Learning Environment & Youth Engagement](#)

Presenters: Ritch Hochstetler & Kailey Paszko

Museum Partners for Learning and Fun

Fun and learning happen every day at Kalamazoo Valley Museum. Learn how you can partner with museums like Kalamazoo Valley Museum to make the most of your visit, access resources beyond the museum walls and find out about upcoming summer programs.

Core Competencies: [Family, School, and Community Partnerships](#)

Presenter: Kalamazoo Valley Museum

LGBTQ+ Youth and Trauma

Focus on practical tools and strategies to help build protective factors and to create spaces that celebrate LGBTQ+ young people and allow them to thrive.

Core Competencies: Safety & Wellness, Cultural Competency & Responsiveness

Presenter: Kirk Lewis

Every Monday Matters: Curriculum for Lasting Change

Exploring Every Monday Matters curriculum, a flexible and hands-on social and emotional learning program created to help students understand how much and why they matter.

Core Competencies: Youth Growth & Engagement, Learning Environment & Curriculum

Presenter: Kristin Lorey & Matthew Emerzian

Empowering Young Entrepreneurs

Through hands-on activities we share best practices and ways to spark the entrepreneurial pipeline in your community. Explore ways to engage youth, allowing them to dream big and place value on a community where they could live, work, and play one day.

Core Competencies: Community & Economic Development and Interactions with Youth

Presenters: Kathy Jamieson & Frank Cox

5 Proven Strategies to Securing Grants & Scholarships for Schools/Out-of-School Programs

Learn how to prepare winning grant proposals and applications, write and clearly articulate their needs statement and program model in proposal form, locate public and private grant funding sources, and craft a sound budget that can be used to secure funding.

Core Competencies: Professional Development & Program Planning and Development

Presenter: Patrick J. Patterson

Global and Cultural Education

Participants will think more deeply about their own culture and values which form who they are. We hope to open minds to the possibilities of the future and encourage friendships with others different from oneself. We will share lesson plans and ideas for resources.

Core Competencies: Cultural Competency & Responsiveness and Learning Environment

Presenters: D'Ann Rohrer & Jennifer Pippin

Strengthening Our Relationships: Tips from Research

Explore how turning toward fondness, soft start-ups, and other research-based tips can enable us to connect and work productively with partners, family members, youth, and colleagues.

Core Competencies: Interactions with Youth and Professional Development

Presenters: Jou-Chen Chen & Karen Blaisure & Kimberly Doudna

Quality Assurance in Afterschool

Inform the target audience of how quality Assurance can effectively be made use of in education by building upon the Wayne State University C2 Pipeline model by discussing the importance of a planned vision and program model, quality framework models, and importance of local and state evaluators.

Core competencies: Learning Environment & Curriculum and Youth Growth & Development

Presenter: Sonja Beasley-Hall

How to Work With Undocumented Youth In Your Program

We will show you how to work and be successful working with undocumented youth to support student academic and social success, and to work collaboratively with students and their families.

Core competencies: Learning Environment & Curriculum and Youth Growth & Development

Presenter: Adrian Vasquez