Site Coordinator
Expanded Learning Symposium
February 8–9, 2019
LONG BEACH
Greetings Site Coordinators!

Welcome to the beautiful Queen Mary and to California Cruz’n! I am thrilled to be able be part of this important and historic event. Why historic? For years, many of us around the state have been dreaming of a time when site coordinators would be recognized and appreciated for who they are—the most influential people in California’s expanded learning ecosystem.

The future needs you. I hope that we will all look back at this conference as a time when the movement toward site coordinator leadership was launched at scale. For far too long, your voice and experience has been lost in the levels of leadership. But frankly, your voice is the most important to hear. I am here to listen.

Thank you for all you do and for the lives that you impact (probably in ways you don’t even realize).

With appreciation and anticipation,

Michael Funk, Division Director
Expanded Learning Division
Celebrating Assembly Member Kevin McCarty

For many years, Expanded Learning advocates have been working to inform the state legislature of the funding crisis in our field. Since 2007, California’s Expanded Learning infrastructure has only seen a 9% increase in funding in the face of 30% growth in the Consumer Price Index and 50% growth in minimum wage. This funding crisis is constricting programs’ abilities to provide a high-quality learning and enrichment experience. Insufficient funding puts children at risk of losing their after school programs.

Kevin McCarty has been a vocal advocate for Expanded Learning in his role as the State Assembly Member Chair of the Assembly Budget Subcommittee on Education Finance, which oversees the largest component of California’s multi-billion dollar budget. In his role, Assemblymember McCarty has advocated for increased funding for the After School Education and Safety Program in the state budget, he has been a vocal supporter of Expanded Learning programs benefitting from new revenues resulting from the passage of Proposition 64 (legalizing the adult use of recreational marijuana), and has secured additional funding to support computer coding programs in California’s Expanded Learning programs.

We look forward to working with Assemblymember McCarty and other allies in the legislature to provide adequate funding to ensure Expanded Learning programs provide the highest quality experience for California’s children and youth.

Like, follow, and connect with Assemblymember McCarty on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram: @AsmKevinMcCarty.
DAY 1 SCHEDULE

7:30 a.m.  Registration Opens  |  GRAND SALON
8:00 – 9:00 a.m.  Breakfast
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.  General Session  |  GRAND SALON
                      KEYNOTE SPEAKERS
                      Jeff Davis – CAN Executive Director
                      Brian McDaniels – Top 10 Teacher of the Year
10:00 – 10:20 a.m.  Break
10:20 – 11:50 a.m.  Workshop Session 1
                      See Page 5 for workshop listings
11:50 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.  Break
12:10 – 1:10 p.m.  Lunch  |  GRAND SALON
                      HONORING ASSEMBLY MEMBER KEVIN MCCARTY
                      Michael Funk – California Department of Education
1:10 – 1:30 p.m.  Break
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.  Workshop Session 2
                      See Page 6 for workshop listings
3:00 – 3:20 p.m.  Break
3:20 – 4:50 p.m.  Workshop Session 3
                      See Page 7 for workshop listings
4:50 – 5:10 p.m.  BREAK
5:10 – 5:45 p.m.  Reflection  |  BRITANNIA ROOM
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.  Reception  |  BRITANNIA ROOM

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The California AfterSchool Network app has all the information you need to navigate the Site Coordinator Expanded Learning Symposium, including detailed session descriptions, venue maps, and other helpful resources.

Find it in both the Apple App store and the Google Play store.
DAY 2 SCHEDULE

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.  Registration, Breakfast  |  GRAND SALON
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.  General Session  |  GRAND SALON
                          KEYNOTE SPEAKER
                          Bryn Dresher – ACE Program Facilitator,
                          EduCare Foundation

9:30 – 9:50 a.m.  Break

9:50 – 11:20 a.m.  Workshop Session 4
                          See Page 8 for workshop listings

11:20 – 11:40 a.m.  Break

11:40 a.m. – 1:10 p.m.  Workshop Session 5
                          See Page 9 for workshop listings

1:10 – 1:30 p.m.  Break

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.  Lunch  |  GRAND SALON
                          PANEL SESSION

2:30 – 2:45 p.m.  Closing  |  GRAND SALON

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

BRIAN MCDANIEL
Dr. Brian McDaniel, a 2018 California Teacher of the Year and National Teacher of the Year Nominee, is a music educator who has raised over $1,000,000 through grants, donations, sponsorships, and fundraisers to ensure access for every child in his program. As an educator for 12 years, he has successfully built award winning Elementary, Middle and High Schools music programs, serves in Leadership with various school and teacher organizations, and is an Educational Justice Advocate who is passionate about helping students overcome obstacles through academic opportunities. Choosing to serve in a Title I schools, he founded The Regiment, his student-led music organization that serves as a safety net for students; helping kids to overcome the trials of school and life. The Regiment continuously improves school climate and academic performance by living up to their motto of rising “Beyond All Expectations”. A native of Desert Hot Springs, he is the Director of Bands and Choirs at Painted Hills Middle School in the Palm Springs Unified School District.

BRYN DRESCHER
Bryn Drescher is a life coach, actress, and speaker. She hails from the Chicagoland area and currently resides in Los Angeles California. She graduated from Michigan State University with a B.A. in Political Philosophy. She specializes in helping people discover their true passion and achieve more than they thought possible.

Bryn has dedicated the last 5 years of her life to personal development. She has mentored with some of the country’s top coaches, speakers, and authors. Bryn strongly believes in life long education and constant personal improvement. Her favorite activity is in mentoring youth as we have a lot to learn from them and helping them get set up for the achieve the brightest future possible. Bryn’s passion and gifts have found the perfect mix with EduCare. Her favorite part of working at EduCare is witnessing the brilliance of the students and the transformations that take place through the workshops and programs. She is extremely grateful to work for a company that puts heart and people first.
WORKSHOP SESSION 1
FRIDAY, 10:20 – 11:50 A.M.

- **Self Care for Youth-Serving Professionals**  | **VICTORIA ROOM**  
  Brock Hudson – Director of Programs, Girl Scouts Northern America

- **A Blended Learning Experience**  | **REGENT ROOM**  
  Matt Massman – Founder and CEO, Game Learning  
  Nicholas Gliserman – CAO, Game Learning

- **Leadership and Intentions**  | **BOARD ROOM**  
  David Anderson – Expanded Learning Manager, Lennox School District

- **Dream Big**  | **ROYAL SALON**  
  Frank Escobar – Director, Student Services, Visalia Unified School District

- **SEL and Mindfulness**  | **KING’S VIEW ROOM**  
  Lauryn Nwankpa – Head of Social Impact, Headspace

- **Youth Resiliency**  | **CARPATHIA**  
  Jennifer Cisneros – Director, Extended Learning, Santa Ana Unified School District

- **Coordinating Resources to Enhance After School Programs**  | **CARONIA**  
  Brisa Huerta-Price – Expanded Learning District Coordinator, Calexico Unified School District  
  Claudia Montano – Director of State and Federal Programs, Calexico Unified School District

- **Be Inspired, Be active, Be Better**  | **MAURETANIA**  
  Charles Clancy – Project Specialist, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools  
  Jason War – Project Specialist, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools

- **Building Better Relationships**  | **BRITANNIA**  
  Ginger Shea – Manager Special Programs and Services, Oxnard School District

- **Engaging Children and Youth in Computer Science and Engineering**  
  **VERANDAH GRILL**  
  Rebeca Andrade – Director, Early Education and Extended Learning Programs, Glendale Unified School District  
  Bonnie Shermer – ASES Head Teacher, Glendale Unified School District  
  Aileen Grigorian – ASES Head Teacher, Glendale Unified School District

LEARNING TRACK KEY
- Building Partnerships  
- Social-Emotional Learning  
- Program Practice  
- Technical Assistance  
- Leadership and Advocacy  
- Partners
WORKSHOP SESSION 2
FRIDAY, 1:30 – 3:00 P.M.

- **Who Are California’s Site Coordinators and What Do They Need?**
  VICTORIA ROOM
  Jeff Davis – Executive Director, California AfterSchool Network

- **Keep It 100 #Using Data** | REGENT ROOM
  Liza Flowers – SSEL County Lead, San Diego County Office of Education
  Nick Martinez – ASES Afterschool Program Supervisor, YMCA San Diego

- **Every Picture Tells Their Story** | BOARD ROOM
  Meredith Scott Lynn – Founder and CEO, WRiTE BRAiN WORLD

- **LEADership in After School** | ROYAL SALON
  Brandon Alvarez – Program Manager, Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center
  Chandler Cooper – Program Manager, Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center
  Paulina Sylvester – Program Manager, Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center

- **Develop Social & Emotional Competencies Through Relationship Building Within a Multi-Tier System** | KING’S VIEW ROOM
  Andre J. Griggs – Founder and CEO, Restorative Justice League
  Jerome Rasberry Jr. – Director of Communications, Restorative Justice League
  With others from the Restorative Justice League

- **Growth Heartset: Establishing a Culture of Caring** | CARPATHIA
  Stu Semigran – President and Co-Founder, EduCare Foundation
  Bryn Drescher – ACE Program Facilitator, EduCare Foundation

- **Five Tools to Make Communication with Parents and Community Easier**
  CARONIA
  Bethany Thompson – Coordinator, Apple Valley High School

- **A Summer of Student Voice and Choice** | MAURETANIA
  Sarah Brown – Education Specialist, Center for Powerful Public School
  Kelly Nick – Director of Education Services, Center for Powerful Public Schools

- **What the Funk? What Site Coordinators want CDE to Know, What CDE wants Site Coordinators to Know** | BRITANNIA
  Michael Funk – Director Expanded Learning Division, California Department of Education

- **Building Your Afterschool Student Leadership Program**
  VERANDAH GRILL
  Rick Rood – Trainer/Coach, Transforming Teachers
WORKSHOP SESSION 3
FRIDAY, 3:20 – 4:50 P.M.

- **6 Bs of Effective Communication** | VICTORIA ROOM
  Fred Jones – Expanded Learning Consultant

- **It Takes a Village** | REGENT ROOM
  Aleah Rosario – Director of Leadership and Advocacy, California School-Age Consortium

- **Expanded Learning’s Emerging Role In Workforce Readiness**
  BOARD ROOM
  Bill Fennessy – Director of Work-Based Learning, Think Together

- **Supervising with Head and Heart** | ROYAL SALON
  Selena Levy – Director of Training, California School-Age Consortium

- **Support Your Super Staff with 5 Relevant SEL Strategies**
  KING’S VIEW ROOM
  Julia Gabor – Mindful Founder, Kid-Grit

- **Social Emotional Learning and Restorative Approaches** | CARPATHIA
  Brandon Sportel – CEO, HelloYello

- **Mindfulness in the Digital Age** | CARONIA
  Lauryn Nwankpa – Head of Social Impact, Headspace

- **STEAM in CQI** | MAURETANIA
  Jennifer Bays – READY Site Lead, Roosevelt Elementary
  Gizzele Linayo – Site Supervisor at Moreland School District

- **Skillastics: Enhancing Social & Emotional Learning through Physical Activity**
  BRITANNIA
  Sandy Slade – President / Founder, Skillastics
  Jess Wadleigh – National Accounts Manager, Skillastics

- **Ready. Set. Go. Prevention Education for Expanded Learning Programs**
  VERANDAH GRILL
  Tina Bigdeli – Outreach Manager, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

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- Building Partnerships
- Social-Emotional Learning
- Program Practice
- Technical Assistance
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WORKSHOP SESSION 4  
SATURDAY, 9:50 – 11:20 A.M.

- **Student Safety and Clean Audits in a Digital Age** | VICTORIA ROOM  
  Steve Biondi – Director of Sales, KinderLime

- **Let’s Build a Foundation** | REGENT ROOM  
  Janet Portillo – Site Coordinator, A World Fit For Kids

- **Summer of Service: Youth Activism in Practice** | BOARD ROOM  
  Brandon Alvarez – Program Manager, Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center  
  Emily Belko – ASSETs Program Manager, Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center

- **CANdid Conversation With Our Partners Exploring the Topic of Equity and Quality as a Means to Heal and Grow** | ROYAL SALON  
  Tiffany Gipson – Program Director Quality Initiatives, California AfterSchool Network

- **Coaching Staff to Support Social and Emotional Learning**  
  KING’S VIEW ROOM  
  Daren Howard – Director of Business Development, Partnership for Children and Youth

- **Creating Safe and Supportive Learning Environments to Foster Social and Emotional Learning** | CARPATHIA  
  Katie Barton – Program Coordinator and Coach, Chicora Elementary

- **Expanded Learning and Instructional Day Alignment Strategies** | CARONIA  
  Megan Figueroa – Site Coordinator, Equitas Academy

- **#iAmImpact Healing Circles** | MAURETANIA  
  Nathan Houston – Director of Training and Professional Development, Center for Fathers and Families  
  Gene Wilson – Center for Fathers and Families

- **What the Funk? What Site Coordinators want CDE to Know, What CDE wants Site Coordinators to Know** | BRITANNIA  
  Michael Funk – Director Expanded Learning Division, California Department of Education

- **Best Day Ever** | VERANDAH GRILL  
  Melena Kaye – Site Coordinator, Ukiah Unified School District
WORKSHOP SESSION 5
SATURDAY, 11:40 A.M. – 1:10 P.M.

● Teaching Beyond All Expectations | VICTORIA ROOM
Brian McDaniels – Director of Bands and Choirs, Painted Hills Middle School

● FPM Survival: How to Organize Documents for Success
REGENT ROOM
Beth Chaton – Program Coordinator, Humboldt County Office of Education

● Team Building: Developing Strong Front Line Staff | BOARD ROOM
Brandon Alvarez – Program Manager, Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center
Emily Belko – ASSETs Program Manager, Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center

● Using Trauma Informed Practices | ROYAL SALON
Sherry Lanza – Director of District Programs, Kernville Union School District

● SEL + PBL = Whole Student Success | KING’S VIEW ROOM
Meredith Scott Lynn – Founder and CEO WRiTE BRAiN WORLD

● Incorporate Social Emotional Learning into Staff Development
CARPATHIA
Natalie Guandique – Senior Director of Curriculum and Program Design, Mission Graduates

● Growing and Glowing: Effective and Sustainable Parent Engagement
CARONIA
Elliot Davis – Program Director, Roberts Family Development Center
With others from the Roberts Family Development Center

● Emergency Preparedness in Expanded Learning | MAURETANIA
Melissa Perez – ASES Supervisor, Child Development Services, Fullerton School District

● Visual Literacy and English Language Learners | BRITANNIA
Deidre Corwin – Program Supervisor, Glendale Unified School District

● Nourishing Students: Using Enrichment Activities to Engage Children through Food and Health | VERANDAH GRILL
Leyla Marandi – California Thursdays Network Coordinator, Center for Ecoliteracy

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At WRiTE BRAiN Books, we’re firm believers in the power of “Yes!” Our books communicate, “Yes!” to kids. Yes, you have an imagination. Yes, we’re interested in what you see and think. Yes, we want to read the story as you imagine it to be inside your head. You are allowed to be messy, to be expressive, to find your voice, to share your ideas with others. We provide children with wordless books so they can express themselves using their own words. There’s no right or wrong approach. We also foster the art of writing by hand, which is quickly vanishing, and with it, that deeply measured process of thinking and doing.

We believe WRiTE BRAiN Books connect children to their inner voice, and encourage more reflection and less distraction. They provide a much needed balance to “TECHTIVITIES,” which according to many studies, are overwhelming our children’s brains.

Our driving philosophy is simple: self-expression boosts self-esteem. This equation provides the basis for the work we do. Our books encourage creating and expressing by using imagination, which unlocks so many other life skills, including critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration and innovation. This is why WBB aligns with Common Core. We’re part of a magnificent plan to grow our children into resourceful, smart, happy people.
Headspace

Designed for busy, modern lives, Headspace is mindfulness made simple. Our award-winning app is proven to reduce stress, and can teach your team to be healthier and happier in just ten minutes a day.

The Headspace app contains hundreds of easy-to-follow guided meditations on topics ranging from stress and sleep to productivity and creativity. Users can choose short meditations to stay on track throughout the day, or longer sessions to deepen their training.
**Game Learning brings the past to life through fast-paced, exciting gameplay**

Game Learning transports players to pivotal moments in the past where they meet a diverse cast of historical figures. Our games engage students by harnessing their natural curiosity and nurturing essential skills such as historical and strategic thinking, problem-solving abilities, memory capacity, computer literacy, hand-eye coordination, and soft-skills like collaboration and empathy.

Game Learning can be played in school, after-school, at home, or on-the-go.

**Kinderlime**

Kinderlime was founded in Silicon Valley with the ambition to fix a broken early education childcare market. We saw two fundamental problems in the market when we started sending our kids to preschool:

First, parents leave their children in schools, childcare, camps, and afterschool without any insight as to how their children are doing. Second, staff, administrators, and school directors are swamped almost all the time when dealing with licensing paperwork, old software, spreadsheets, and the collection of cash/checks. The result? Highly disconnected parents, children, and schools. We spent time learning these problems and founded Kinderlime! We strongly believe in the need to empower schools to operate at their full potential, thereby maximizing their time with children and parents.
WINGS for Kids
WINGS for Kids is a nonprofit education program that equips at-risk kids with the skills they need to succeed in school, stay in school, and thrive in life. WINGS’ evidence-based approach combines a comprehensive social emotional learning curriculum, engaging afterschool programming, and high-quality training and professional development for practitioners and adults. As a result, the program fosters the mindset, skills, and confidence children need to behave well, make good decisions, and build healthy relationships.

**WINGS for Kids**
Vision: creating a healthier, educated, and more connected world through physical activity.

Mission: creating positive physical active experiences for students of all ages and abilities.

Core Values: integrity, empowerment, respect, compassion, punctuality, passion, accountability, innovation, learning, and fun.

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**ACCESS** free tools, resources, publications, funding opportunities, a professional development calendar, expanded learning employment opportunities, policy information, as well as data on expanded learning in California.

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