

Educating Tomorrow's
First Responders



ASSOCIATION OF
Fire & Emergency
Services Educators

The Fire & Emergency Services Educators 2017 Spring Conference

March 17 & 18

Prairie State College, Chicago Heights IL

Our conference will bring fire and emergency services instructors together to share ideas, and develop their skills. We intend to provide a forum for voicing concerns and needs which may affect the future of our profession. If you teach emergency service students, we are your professional resource organization, and this is your conference. Join us!

Go to www.fireeducators.org to register. Or contact staff@fireeducators.org

The theme of this year's conference is
the use of technology in the classroom

Itinerary

Friday, March 17

- 900 – 1600 Publishers showcase, sponsored by the Illinois Fire Service Institute
- 1600 FESE business meeting
- 1800 Evening social, networking @ Pete Mitchels Bar & Grill - Cash Bar with soft drinks & hors d'oeuvres provided

Saturday, March 18

- 830 Opening remarks
- 845 Keynote address- trends in teaching technology
- 1000 Program spotlight- Fox Valley
- 1030 Partner updates - OSFM, IFSI, ISFS I & Publishers
- 1200 Lunch/ visit with publishers
- 1300 Software Hacks
- 1400 Flipping the classroom
- 1500 Building interactive mobile learning
- 1600 Closing comments

Member Cost: \$25

Non-Member Cost: \$50

(includes individual membership)

Fee includes:

- Conference attendance**
- Friday social (hors d'oeuvres & cocktails)**
- Lunch Saturday afternoon**

Looking for a Hotel?

There are several good choices in the area at various price points, however we recommend the ...

Holiday Inn Chicago Matteson Conference Center

500 Holiday Plaza Drive Matteson IL 60443

PHONE: (708) 747-3500

Most of our attendee's and staff will be staying there.

Register Now!
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Presentations

Key Note— The Horizon of Educational Technology:

Join me as I share key trends accelerating how we use educational technology in today's classrooms and beyond! We will explore broad topics such as, rethinking how schools work, shifts to deeper learning approaches, and redesigning learning spaces as highlighted in the 2016 *Horizon Report*. A special focus will be given to new "twists" on traditional teaching strategies that have proven effective for reaching Millennial (a.k.a Net Generation) learners. We will conclude with a showcase of technologies and their appropriate instructional uses that are slated to influence present and future achievement for years to come.



Dawn is the Instructional Development Services Manager for the College of Education and Human Services at Western Illinois University. She has 16 years of experience in technology planning, support, and integration within the college. Within her role, she researches and provides a vision for the implementation of emergent technologies into the fields of education and human services. In addition to oversight of technology support and training she provides related workshops and one-on-one integration consultations

with faculty. Her areas of expertise include instructional design, technology integration, mobile learning, online learning, social media and blended learning (a.k.a "flipped classroom"). Dawn completed her M.S.Ed. in Educational and Interdisciplinary Studies at Western Illinois University, where she also earned her bachelor's degree in Instructional Technology and Telecommunications.

Publishers Showcase (Friday – 900-1600)

Do you have a question about textbook? Perhaps you have a suggestion for making a textbook that you use better. This is your chance! Publishers of fire science and emergency medical texts will be on hand to answer questions, elicit feedback from you the instructors who use them, and review their supporting technology. This is a great opportunity to have direct involvement with the publishers.

Program Spotlight—Fox Valley

Gary Baum will introduce the Fox Valley Fire program including an overview of their facilities and future plans. Of special interest, will be a review of the upcoming Skills Jamboree. This is an excellent opportunity to get some fresh ideas from an outstanding program.

Partner Update – News and useful information from our affiliated partners

Presentations will include an update from the Office of the State Fire Marshall on upcoming policy changes, the Illinois Fire Service Institute will brief on their upcoming explorer conference, and we will hear from our publishing partners on new exiting texts and instructor tools.

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Software Hacks— Free/cheap software that can make your presentations pop!

If you're looking for a way to do things quicker, or if you would like to make your presentations user-friendly, this presentation may be useful. Presentation will explore some free or really cheap software solutions that take your teaching to a new level. Included will be a software hacks that will allow you to turn your PowerPoint presentations into interactive web content, a free tool that will allow you to edit video like a pro, and a quick and easy way to create online lectures

Flipping the Class Room

"Flipping the classroom" has become one of the recent buzzwords in the vocabulary of education. This presentation will introduce the precepts of "flipping the classroom." What does flipping the classroom mean? How is it beneficial to my teaching? Can it be effectively used in teaching firefighter curriculum? If I wanted to do it, how do I go about it? These and many other questions will be answered by an expert in the subject.

Building Interactive Mobile Learning

Social media is pervasive. Vast majority of Americans have smart phones, and routinely checking in with Facebook, Twitter, Insta Graham and Snapchat. Students today are plugged in, they receive vast amounts of information every day. The implications for teachers or significant, young people access information differently than previous generations, just as importantly they process information differently. They live in a world of 144 characters, pictures and life feeds. In their world information comes to them, they are not program to go to information. This presentation provides teachers and instructors with strategies for reaching students through social media, and mobile apps

About Our Friday Meeting & Evening Social

This year's conference is actually a two-day event. On Friday, we will be featuring the Publisher Showcase an opportunity to interact with primary publishers of fire science and EMS curriculum. At 4 PM fire and emergency services educators will hold their business meeting. This will be followed by our evening social. One of the best benefits of attending a conference is the opportunity to network and share ideas and pick the brain of your colleagues.

Your welcome to join us after our business meeting for drinks and snacks. The social will be held at the Pete Mitchells bar and Grill at 21000 S Frankfort Square Rd., Frankfort, IL 60423 About 15 minutes.

Check them out at... www.petemitchellsbarandgrill.com/

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