CALL FOR PROPOSALS
10th Anniversary Gifted Education Conference & Symposium
Celebrating Gifted Education: Reflecting on our Past and Impacting our Future
January 30-31, 2020

Proposals due no later than October 1, 2019

The 10th Anniversary Gifted Education Conference will be a celebration of accomplishments, reflection on progress in gifted education and a discovery of new ways to impact our field in the future. All Palmarium recipients have been invited including Frank Worrell, PhD, Marcia Gentry, PhD, Del Siegle, PhD, Julia Link Roberts, EdD, and Sylvia Rimm, PhD. The conference program will showcase workshops and poster presentations on research advances in gifted education, classroom strategies, and special areas of interest related to gifted children or gifted education.

Presentation Focus Areas/Strands
The following are the Presentation focus areas. Please direct the proposal into one of these strands and indicate how the presentation relates specifically to the conference theme.

- Curriculum/Programming
- Social-Emotional/Mental Health
- Identification/Special Populations
- Creativity/Innovation

Session Types
Poster: (30-minute) Posters are an excellent opportunity to demonstrate the research and goals of a project. As attendees visit this informal setting, presenters can discuss and share their work on a one-to-one basis. Presenters will use a poster display (and laptop and print materials if desired) to demonstrate the goals, outcomes, and lessons learned, as well as to provide a visual overview of the project.

Workshop Presentation: (60-minutes) Individuals present a 60-minute session. Allowing time for questions is encouraged and presenters are to provide their own handouts as preferred.
**Shared Workshop Presentation:** (60-minute session shared) Individuals present a shared session (two 30-minute presentations). Allowing time for questions is encouraged and presenters are to provide their own handouts if desired.

*AV equipment* – Audio-visual equipment is supplied in the Wellshire Event Center breakout rooms. LCD projector, PC laptop connection (please bring adaptor for MAC), screen, podium, and speakers are in each room. Individuals must supply their own computers and are encouraged to bring their presentation on a flash drive as well.

**Presentation Audience Applicability**

Conference attendees have a wide variety of roles and responsibilities. Please indicate all audiences to which the presentation will apply.

- Early Childhood and Primary Teachers
- Secondary Teachers
- Administrators/District Leaders
- Counselors/Psychologists
- Researchers
- Parents

**Selection Process**

Proposals are selected to ensure the conference offers a comprehensive, objective, and diverse program. Attention will be given to diversity of topics and presenters. The invitation to present may be for other formats than the preferred one selected in the proposal submission form.

Proposals will be reviewed by the Gifted Conference Program Committee using the following criteria:

- **Relevance:** Is the topic of relevance, importance, value, and/or interest to gifted education?
- **Alignment:** Is the proposal in alignment with the theme of the Conference?
- **Presenter knowledge:** Does the presenter(s) have sufficient knowledge, expertise, and authority to address this topic based on evidence provided in the proposal?
- **Engagement strategies:** Does the presenter include specific strategies relevant to intended audience and topic in which they will engage attendees in the session content, and do those strategies align with the session’s learning objectives/outcomes?

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

1. The primary proposal contact will be notified by email regarding acceptance status by early-November.
2. Registration will be required for Conference presenters. Accepted participants should plan to register once acceptance has been communicated before the early bird pricing deadline of December 15, 2019.

SUBMISSION

Prospective presenters will be asked to:

- Determine Conference Focus Area/Strand to which your topic applies.
- Determine audience applicability.
- Indicate session type preference.
- Provide a compelling title for the event program (10 words, maximum).
- Provide a brief abstract of the session for the event program (100 words, maximum). Be sure that the description clearly describes what attendees can expect from the session.
- Provide an expanded description of the proposal topic (300-500 words). Clearly explain how the conference theme (Celebrating Gifted Education: Reflecting on our Past and Impacting our Future) relates to the topic. Please specify the plan to engage attendees during the session.
- Describe handouts that any attendees will receive (if applicable).
- Provide a brief bio for all presenters (50 words/person).
- Provide the contact information (name, email, phone, address) for each presenter for the session. Names should be spelled, including degree specifications, as desired for the event program.

If a proposal is accepted:

- Registration: All accepted presenters are responsible for registering for the conference by the early-bird date, paying the conference registration fee, and securing and paying for travel and lodging. Please plan and budget accordingly before submitting your proposal.
- Sharing Resources: Presenters will be asked to submit related resources (PowerPoints, documents, etc.) prior to their presentation. These resources provide support for the presentation and then become a part of the conference proceedings so that the valuable information is accessible beyond the Conference. If your proposal is selected, you will be provided with instructions on submitting your presentation materials.