The Connections Conference is focused on new and exciting teaching practices in all discipline areas. It features teachers, counselors, and administrators from Illinois and around the United States sharing innovative programs and strategies that have been successful in their schools. Conference goals are to provide sessions for attendees to grow professionally, to showcase exemplary programs, and to support school improvement strategies associated with the High Schools That Work initiative.

**Conference Features**

- Offers over 100 practitioner-based sessions in a two-day conference format
- Highlights best practices from middle through postsecondary education
- Addresses the needs of teachers/instructors, administrators, and counselors
- Focuses on curriculum development and instructional methods
- Illustrates how major local, statewide, and national educational initiatives can be connected

**Early Registration Deadline is February 1, 2016**
I plan to attend:

Early Registration - Postmarked by February 1, 2016
- Full Two Day Conference** $ 190 $______
- Single Day, March 8th $ 115 $______
- Single Day, March 9th $ 90 $______

Regular Registration - Begins February 2, 2016
- Full Two Day Conference** $ 210 $______
- Single Day, March 8th $ 135 $______
- Single Day, March 9th $ 110 $______

Total enclosed/charged $_______________

**Two day registrations are meant to be used by one person. Two day registrations cannot be shared between two people.

Methods of payment with Registration
- Check enclosed, payable to Illinois State University
- VISA
- MasterCard
- Discover
- American Express

Account number
Expiration date

Cardholder’s signature

I am registering a group of 10 or more people and have enclosed an official purchase order to cover the group’s registration.

Registration fees
Registrations received without a check or credit card information will not be processed. Purchase orders will be allowed ONLY for group registration of 10 or more people with an official purchase order attached.

Easy ways to register:

By check, credit card or purchase order
- Mail this completed form and fees to:
  Illinois State University
  Connections Conference 2016 Attendee Registration
  Campus Box 8610
  Normal IL 61790-8610

By credit card
- Fax this completed form to: 309-438-5364
- Register on-line at: www.connectionsproject.illinoisstate.edu
- Register by phone:
  Call 800-877-1478 or 309-438-2160 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

*Presenters: Do not register with this form. Once confirmed as a presenter, you will be automatically registered for the conference through the Connections Conference office. If you have questions, please call 309-438-5185 or send an email to connectionsconference@illinoisstate.edu.
Registration, Lodging, & Professional Development Hours Information

Registration fees include:
- Tuesday, March 8, 2016 - Opening keynote, sessions with Professional Development Hours, continental breakfast, lunch, and the evening networking social
- Wednesday, March 9, 2016 - Closing keynote session, sessions with Professional Development Hours, continental breakfast, and lunch

Registration deadlines:
- Early registrations must be postmarked by February 1, 2016 to ensure early registration fees
- Regular registration begins February 2, 2016
- The last day to register by phone, fax or online is February 29, 2016

Onsite registration is only available with full payment by either credit card, check, or cash at regular registration prices.

Confirmation
Return confirmation includes a receipt for fees and a map to Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, Illinois. If you have not received confirmation at least 10 days prior to the conference, please call Illinois State University Conference Services at 309-438-2160 or 800-877-1478.

Questions?
- For registration questions call Illinois State University Conference Services at 309-438-2160 or 800-877-1478
- For questions about the sessions, visit www.connectionsproject.illinoisstate.edu or call Connections Conference staff at 309-438-5185

Refund/cancellation policy
If cancellations are made in writing at least 10 days prior to the conference, registration fees will be refunded, less a $15 processing fee. However, no refunds will be made for cancellations received within 10 days of the conference.

Lodging
Lodging is available at Pheasant Run Resort, but is the responsibility of the individual registrant. The room block with discounted rates does fill up quickly, so we encourage you to make your reservations early. When calling, be sure to mention that you are attending the Connections Conference.

For reservations: Pheasant Run Resort 800-474-3272

Professional development hours (Formally known as CPDUs)
1-7 Professional Development Hours (PDHs) are available for attending the Connections Conference. One PDH will be awarded for every one session that you attend. In your conference packet you will find a PDH Proof of Attendance form with PDH guidelines, paperwork, and mail-in information.

NEW DEADLINE to return PDH proof of attendance by: Must be postmarked by March 18, 2016.

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Tentative Agenda for the Connections Conference 2016

Monday - March 7, 2016
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Early Presenter & Attendee Registration

Tuesday - March 8, 2016
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast
9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Opening Keynote Presentation
10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Breakout Sessions
Noon - 1:00 p.m. Luncheon in the Megacenter
1:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. Breakout Sessions Including the 2-hour “deep dive” sessions
5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Evening Networking Social

Wednesday - March 9, 2016
7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m. - Noon Breakout Sessions Including the 2-hour “deep dive” sessions
12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Luncheon in the Megacenter
1:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. Closing Keynote Presentation
Connections Conference 2016
Rigorous Academic & Career Technical Education

Registration Form

March 8 & 9, 2016
Anticipated location: Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, Illinois

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