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8:00–8:30AM  Registration and Breakfast

8:30–8:45  Welcome and Overview of the Day
Dr. Donyell Roseboro, Professional Development System Director
Dr. Robert Smith, Secondary Program Coordinator
Dr. Shelby Morge, Middle Grades Program Coordinator

8:45–9:30  Keynote Address: Diversity and Education
Dr. Sonia Nieto

9:45–10:45  CONCURRENT SESSIONS - A

Session A1: Teaching Strategies to Develop Students’ Mathematical Habits of Mind
Dr. Ginger Rhodes
Dr. Shelby Morge

Session A2: Integrating Marine Science in the Classroom
Sandra Cecelski

Session A3: Advanced SMARTBoard
Salena Rabidoux

Session A4: National Board Certification: Setting a Standard for Leadership and Accomplished Teaching
Somer Lewis

Session A5: Fostering Global Perspectives: Using Culturally Responsive Literacy Instruction in the K-12 Classroom
Dr. Rajni Shankar-Brown

11:00AM -12:00PM  CONCURRENT SESSIONS - B

Session B1: Using Yoga Breathing Techniques to Bring Calm to the Classroom
Mr. Jordan Weber

Session B2: Simulations in Social Studies
Dr. Jeremy Hilburn

Session B3: Using Animoto in the Classroom
Dr. Jeff Erizberger

12:00–1:00  LUNCH

1:00–1:50  CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Middle Grades:
Science – Dr. Kathy Roney
Mathematics - Dr. Shelby Morge
English Language Arts – Dr. Rajni Shankar-Brown
Social Studies – Dr. Jeremy Hilburn

Middle and High School Combined Groups:
EC – Dr. Terri Collins
PE – Dr. Sue Combs and Dr. Steve Elliott
Foreign Language – Dr. Joann Mount and Dr. LJ Randolph Jr.

High School:
Science – Dr. Angie Reid-Griffin
Mathematics – Dr. Kelli Slaten
English Language Arts – Dr. Denise Ousley and Dr. David Gill
Social Studies – Dr. Cory Callahan and Dr. Robert Smith

2:00–3:00  CONCURRENT SESSIONS - C

Session C1: Historical Inquiry
Dr. Cara Ward

Dr. Michael Elder

Session C3: Edmodo: Bringing Social Media into the Classroom
Beth Hicks

Session C4: Grant Writing Basics: Securing Funding for your Classroom and/or School Projects
Dr. Mahnaz Moallem