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NEW YORK STATE NETWORK FOR YOUTH SUCCESS

Power of 3:00 Spotlight

Kristen M. Hada, Program Director, 21st CCLC Maryvale School District

Meet Kristen Hada Director of 21st CCLC program for the Cheektowaga-Maryvale School District and a member of our 2019-2020 Power of 3:00 Ambassador Cohort. Kristen has been working in the education field since 2005 where she started as a substitute teacher. She then spent 5 years as a Literacy Specialist/Special Education teacher; a year and a half as a Curriculum Coordinator and Staff Specialist for Professional Development; one year as an Assistant Principal in a high school/elementary school; Building Principal; and Behavior and Achievement Specialist before assuming her current role.

At the end of the month, Kristen will once again transition into a new role. Her new role will be Assistant Principal at Maryvale High School. Under this new role she hopes to bring the community connections she made through the 21st CCLC Program to the High School level. This, she believes will be a great opportunity to expand support to the students, staff, and families.

Throughout her time working with 21st CCLC she took and takes extreme pride in their local community involvement. Throughout the past year, they have made connections with over 40 community organizations. These organizations come into the district, and get involved with their students and families to provide opportunities and supports. In addition, they hold monthly Parent Information Cafes, which provide parents with resources for educational support, social emotional development, and even assistance with food, nutrition, and health care.

Kristen’s favorite part of the job is that she gets to reside in the Maryvale School District with her husband and 17 month old daughter. She is a very proud community member who grew up in the Cheektowaga area. She considers it a privilege and honor to get to work where she reside, and the
ability to see first hand the youth grow and to connect with all constituents of the Maryvale community.

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**Skillup AMP Workforce Development Platform**

Our friends over at The Business Council would like to share with you their new workforce development platform [Skillup AMP](https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0?ik=c64bdf719d&view=pt&search=all&permthid=thread-f%3A1651998180390926383&simpl=msg-f%3A1651998180390926383). In addition to driving businesses to the site, they are also working with community organizations to help get the word out to jobseekers. If you are interested in participating in an upcoming informational webinar they will be taking place each month from December until April. Click here to register, or you can click here for prerecorded webinars.

If you have any questions please direct them to Amber Mooney (Amber.Mooney@BCNYS.org), Director of Workforce Development, The Business Council of New York State, Inc.

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**Hunger Solutions Website Survey**

As a leader in fighting hunger, Hunger Solutions New York wants the best resources possible for individuals and organizations. To achieve this goal, they are redesigning their website and would like to ask you what changes could/should be made to make their website more helpful. Please take a moment to fill out their quick survey, and help them build a stronger and more helpful website.

Click on the image above to fill out the survey!

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**Physical Education Activity**

Check out this fun physical activity called "Guard the Pin." First, Players stand in a circle formation. Then a pin is placed in the middle of the circle and one player is selected to guard the pin. The instructor then gives a foam ball to the players in the circle. Players may pass the ball to each other until they have a open shot to knock the pin down. Once the pin is knocked down, the guard may return to the circle and a new guard is selected. To see all the rules, click here.

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**CACFP Success Stories**
"When Kips Bay Boys & Girls Club enrolled in CACFP in 2005, they had no second thoughts; providing healthy afterschool meals aligned perfectly with their mission to serve the educational and developmental needs of young people.” Read more about the Kips Bay Boys & Girls Club and how their story illustrates the advantages of having CACFP reimbursement funding in an afterschool program on our website.

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**OCFS Regulations Resources**

For OCFS resources in the new background checks, check out the links below:

- FAQs on Background Clearances
- ICYMI: Comprehensive Background Clearance Requirements Video
- SAC Regulations & Definitions
- 6000 Pack
- OCFS website
- Letter to Families, Funders, and School Personnel

Leave a comment or question about the new regulations here.

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**Network for Youth Success Events**

**12/4/19 - 5/7/20: CRELO Trainings, Across the Capital Region**

The Network for Youth Success will be providing various Front Line and Director Trainings across the Capital Region at no cost. For more information click here.

**1/14-17/2020: Health and Safety Training for Directors, Troy, NY**

Directors are responsible for hiring, training, and maintaining staff who provide a healthy and safe environment for children. This course will help directors look at policies and procedures that reinforce high-quality health and safety practices. Directors will get the most out of this training if they bring a copy of the policies and procedures from their program. Registration is limited to 12, so don't wait to register! click here.

**1/21/20-4/21/20: Distance Learning**

The Distance Learning School-Age Care (SAC) Preparatory Course includes viewing recorded videos, reading, and preparing a portfolio and resource file. This class meets the education requirement to be a Site Director in New York State. We are now enrolling for Spring 2020.

**3/6: Legislative Breakfast, Greenbush, NY**

The Network plans to host its annual Legislative Breakfast on March 6, 2020, at the Greenbush YMCA. Stay tuned for more information.


Our Annual Conference will be in Troy for 2020 and registration is now open! In addition to two full days of trainings, and vendors, we are now also accepting award nominations. For the second year in a row we will be giving out awards based to those who represent and illustrate the following at high levels: quality leadership, exemplary professionalism, program excellence & innovation, champion of the field, and Regional Network Leader. For more information on nominations or to register, visit our website here. To become a vendor, click here.

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Other Events

12/4: Annual Monroe County Intergenerational Holiday Ball
This annual FREE event brings high school seniors together with community seniors for a formal evening of fun, fellowship and dancing! There will be a live band, photo booth, dinner and lots of dancing at the Double Tree Hotel in Henrietta. Please RSVP by December 2nd and note that all youth must have the Monroe County Consent Form (click here) completed and signed by their parent/guardian to reserve a spot. Please fax (753-6281) or email the completed form and they will notify participants of further details, once we receive their completed forms.

What will you do in an emergency? Join the U.S. Department of Education’s You for Youth (Y4Y) Technical Assistance team as they walk you through developing a program safety plan that meets local and national standards. You will be joined by a representative from the U.S. Department of Education’s Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) Technical Assistance Center to discuss best practices for safety planning, and aligning your host organization’s current safety protocols to relevant regulations. This showcase will also feature 21st CCLC programs who will share strategies for implementing an optimal safety plan. Register now.

12/14: Middle School Girls Data Bootcamp, NY, NY
Girls+data invites middle-school girls, grades 5-9, to learn about high demand tech careers in data analytics. This three-hour hands-on STEMinar will teach participants to build, customize, and present their own data story using analytics software Looker. Swag and snacks included! For more information, click here.

Join over 2,000 members of our community at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center for four days of networking, learning, and inspiration. Special events, 200+ educational sessions, daily keynotes, and an interactive Learning Expo all designed to meet the needs of the developing professionals, and emerging current leaders of afterschool. Come to NAA Convention 2020, and leave saying, "I've found my people!" For more information, click here.

Common Ground is looking for volunteer mediators to serve in our community-based and Family Court Mediation programs. Common Ground is a non-profit mediation center, serving Greene & Columbia Counties, funded in part through a grant from the NYS Unified Court System. Resumes with letter of interest to: dwallant@commongroundinc.org or mail, Dawn Wallant, Executive Director, Common Ground Dispute Resolution Inc., 11 William St., Catskill NY 12414. For more information call 518-943-0523

This conference will take place in Rochester with actress and activist Ms. Abernathy, daughter of American Civil Rights Leader Ralph Abernathy. For more information or to register, click here.

4/28 - 5/1: 2020 BOOST Conference, Palm Springs, CA
The 2020 BOOST Conference will convene over 2,500 global educators April 28 - May 1 in sunny Palm Springs, CA. They are now in the Early-Bird registration phase with a rate of $465. Register your team today to celebrate the best of afterschool and expanded learning fields. Click here for more information and how to apply.

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