

VASP 2023 Fall Conference Program At-A-Glance

Dates: October 18-20, 2023

Location: Hotel Madison & Shenandoah Valley Conference Center, Harrisonburg, VA

Theme: Be the One: Supporting Students through Comprehensive Service Delivery One School Psychologist at a Time

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. VASP Board Meeting (All VASP members are welcome to attend.)

Thursday, October 19, 2023

7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Registration and Breakfast

8:00 – 11:15 a.m. Introduction to Motivational Interviewing – Paige Hawkins, M.Ed., James Madison University (Maximum: 35 participants; Intended audience: Practitioners working with adolescents with substance use)

8:00 – 11:15 a.m. Supporting LGBTQIA+ Students in Virginia Schools – Amy Cannava, Ed.S., NCSP, Rainstorms to Rainbows, Arlington Public Schools

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. Medicaid and Schools for School Psychologists – Randal Queen, Ed.S., NCSP

9:45 – 11:15 a.m. Expanding Your Role Through Effective Consultation Practices – Eric Mesmer, Ph.D., Radford University & Tammy Gilligan, Ph.D., LP James Madison University

11:15– 11:45 a.m. VASP Committee Meet & Greet: Meet current committee members, learn how you can get involved through VASP committees, and sign up to receive emails about upcoming meetings and updates.

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Buffet Lunch (included with registration) **and Distinguished Lecture on Social Justice:** Community Heals and Community Restores – Janise Parker, Ph.D., LP, LSP, NCSP, William & Mary

1:15 – 4:30 p.m. What School Psychologists Should Know about Reading, Megan Davis, M.A., CAGS, George Mason University, Ellen Rowe, Ph.D., George Mason University, & Denise Gubitosa, M.A., CAGS, Manassas City Public Schools

1:15 – 2:45 p.m. Supporting Students with ASD through CBT – Tonya Lambert-Delp, Ph.D., BCBA, Virginia Institute of Autism

1:15 – 2:45 p.m. Making School a Refuge for Refugee Students – Julia Linger, M.A., James Madison University, Jen Nelson-Faulconer, Ed.S., NCSP, James Madison University & Anne Stewart, Ph.D., LCP, James Madison University

3:00 – 4:30 p.m. Rocking the Return: Supporting School Reintegration after Mental Health Hospitalizations and Emergency Department Visits, Lora Henderson Smith, Ph.D., LCP, University of Virginia, & Emily Warren, M.Ed., University of Virginia

3:00 – 4:30 p.m. Inside, Outside, Everywhere: Using Nature-Based Interventions to Support Connection and Regulation – Anne Stewart, Ph.D., LCP, James Madison University, Julia Linger, M.A., James Madison University, & Jen Nelson-Faulconer, Ed.S., NCSP, James Madison University

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. VASP Reception at Quills Lobby and Bar

Friday, October 20, 2023

7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Registration and Breakfast

8:00 – 11:15 a.m. Supporting Students with OCD and Anxiety Disorders, Bob Falk, Ph.D., NCSP, Virginia Commonwealth University

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. VASP Featured Panel Discussion with Virginia School Districts (Intended audience: graduate students)

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. VASP Featured Panel Discussion: Supporting School Psychologists through Effective Supervision Panel (Intended audience: practitioners interested in leadership positions)

9:45 – 11:15 a.m. Supporting Students Who are Youth Caregivers – Debi Kipps-Vaughan, PsyD, James Madison University

9:45 – 11:15 a.m. Transforming Reading Instruction as School Psychologists – Kristi Estep, Ed.S., NCSP, Shenandoah County Public Schools

11:00 – 12:00 pm VASP Graduate Student Poster Session

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. VASP Business Meeting, Luncheon (included with registration) and Presentation of Awards (School Psychologist of the Year, Graduate Student of the Year, Social Justice in School Psychology, Lifetime Achievement Award)

1:15 – 4:30 p.m. Special Education Law for School Psychologists – Patrick Andriano, Esq., Sands Anderson PC

1:15 – 2:45 p.m. I'm exhausted from reacting to students' social-emotional needs – How can I truly be more responsive? – Lisa Micou, Ph.D., NCSP, Aperture Education

1:15 – 2:45 p.m. How the University of Virginia is Connecting Autism Researchers and the Community – Genevieve Bohac, University of Virginia

3:00 – 4:30 p.m. The School Psychologist's Guide to SLP and OT Tools – Selina Oliver, MA, CAGS, NCSP, Pearson Clinical Assessments

3:00 – 4:30 p.m. Movement and Self-regulation in Early School Years: Translating Neuroscience into Interventions, Elena Savina, Ph.D., James Madison University, & Tess Pieragostini, M.A., James Madison University

Registration and Cost

VASP Members - \$150 for one day, \$225 for two days.

Non-members - \$200 for one day, \$375 for two days. (It pays to join VASP before the conference! See website for membership application.)

Student VASP Members - \$50 for one day, \$90 for two days.

****Register by 9/30/23 to avoid Late Fees of \$25 per day. Same-day registration will be available at the door if space permits – Late Fees will apply. Please register early!**

Hotel

Hotel Madison room rates are \$104 (+taxes and fees) per night for a single and double occupancy with the VASP group rate. Each additional person will be charged \$10 per adult per night.

****Reserve your room by 09/29/23 to guarantee the special rate at <https://reservations.travelclick.com/110365?groupID=4025945> or call (540) 564-0200 and ask for the Virginia Academic of School Psychologists room block.**

Guests may book up to three (3) rooms under the same name. Additional reservations under the same name must be guaranteed by a credit card authorization form.

Check-in/Check-out: Guests are invited to begin checking in at 4:00 pm on the day of arrival. Check out time is 11:00 am on the day of departure. Requests for early check-ins will be accommodated as rooms become available but are not guaranteed for any arrivals. Rollaway beds must be requested at the time the reservation is made.

Parking

Self-parking in the adjacent Mason Street Parking Deck is available at \$5.00 per car per day for both overnight and day guests. Overnight guest parking will be placed on each guest's folio and is included in the room rate for all overnight guests; day guests may pay at the kiosk using a gate issues ticket. Entry to the deck is located on MLK Jr. Way/Cantrell Boulevard. Complimentary electric car charging stations are available. A covered walkway is situated between the deck and the Hotel's mezzanine entrance.

Meals

Thursday and Friday breakfast and lunch costs are included in your registration fee. The VASP Business Meeting and Awards Presentation will take place during Friday's luncheon. Meals will be buffet style and will offer a variety of options for dietary requirements; for additional requirements or information email Kelly Acevedo at kefkd5@gmail.com.

Weather and Other Cancellation

In the unlikely event there is a cancellation, we will send a notice to the email address listed in your registration.

Refunds

VASP registration fees are refundable if requests are received by 09/30/23 at vaspweb.org. After that date, a \$50 processing fee will be deducted for the refund. VASP is not responsible for hotel fees or cancellations.

Accessibility

The Madison Hotel is ADA compliant. For accommodations, please email Kelly Acevedo at: kefkd5@gmail.com.

Continuing Education Credit

VASP is approved by the National Association of School Psychologists to offer professional development for school psychologists. VASP maintains responsibility for the programs we offer.

Questions?

Email us! Sarah Nevill, snevill@culpeperschools.org or Kelly Acevedo, kefkd5@gmail.com.