



Filling Our Cups with Literacy

State of Maryland
Literacy Association
(formerly, SoMIRAC)

Forty-Seventh Annual Conference

April 3-5, 2019
Delta by Marriott, Hunt Valley Inn
Baltimore, Maryland

General Information

1. The 47th Annual State of Maryland Literacy Association (formerly, SoMIRAC) Conference will be held April 3-5, 2019 at the Hunt Valley Inn Baltimore, 245 Shawan Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21031.
2. Conference theme is **“Filling Our Cups with Literacy.”**
3. Concurrent sessions will be sixty minutes in length.
4. **Proposals for concurrent sessions must be received by October 31, 2018.**

Presenters must be current (2018-2019) members of a local reading council which includes membership in SoMLA (formerly, SoMIRAC). If you are not a member, your proposal may (will) not be considered for this year’s conference.

5. **ALL PRESENTERS ARE EXPECTED TO REGISTER AND PAY ALL CONFERENCE FEES BY JANUARY 31, 2019. FAILURE TO REGISTER BY THIS DATE MAY RESULT IN THE CANCELLATION OF THE PRESENTER’S SESSION.**
6. As a professional, nonprofit organization, SoMLA is unable to reimburse concurrent session presenters for travel, honorarium, and/or hotel expenses.

Guidelines for Proposals

1. Each proposal must include the completed application form and attachments included in this brochure with, if applicable, a list of additional presenters with complete addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses.
ALL PRESENTERS MUST BE MEMBERS OF SOMLA, REGISTER FOR THE CONFERENCE, AND PAY FULL CONFERENCE FEES.
2. The person submitting the proposal must receive advance consent from each additional presenter.
3. The person submitting the proposal is responsible for sharing membership and registration information with co-presenters.

*** NO AUDIVISUAL EQUIPMENT WILL BE PROVIDED .**

(A screen will be provided for each room.)

Topic Suggestions

- Early Literacy
- Primary/Intermediate Literacy
- Adolescent Literacy
- Middle School Literacy
- High School Literacy
- Curriculum Integration
- Differentiation for all Learners
- Engaging Classroom Instruction
- Word Study
- Writing Literacy
- Educating the Whole Child
- Family Literacy
- Title I/ESSA
- Diversity in Literature
- English Language Learners
- RTI/MTSS
- Cultural Gaps
- Literacy Policy, Advocacy and Research
- Literacy Data Analysis
- Library Media and Classroom Connections
- Content Area Literacy
- Writing Literacy
- Innovating Literacy with Technology
- Children and Young Adult Literature
- Administrators as Literacy Leaders
- Genre Study

Applicants submitting proposals will be notified by email as to acceptance or non-acceptance by **December 1, 2018.**

Proposals will not be returned. Please make copies.

**Direct all questions to
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Concurrent Session Proposal Form
Submission Deadline: **October 31, 2018**
SoMLA 2019 Conference: April 3-5, 2019

Title of Presentation: _____

Name(s) of Presenters: (4 maximum)

Program description as desired for conference program: (25-30 word limit)

Grade Level Match:

____ Birth to Pre-K ____ K-2
____ 3-6 ____ 5-8
____ 8-12 ____ Post Graduate

Target Audience: *Check all that apply.*

____ Classroom Teacher ____ Reading Specialist
____ Administrator ____ Title I
____ Intervention Teacher ____ Special Educator
____ College Professor ____ College Student
____ Instructional Assistant

Person Submitting Proposal:

Name _____ Title/Position: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____

E-mail: _____ (FAX) _____

School System and School: _____

Have you ever presented at a SoMIRAC Conference? No ____ Yes ____ Year ____

I am a member of _____ (local) Literacy Chapter.

****NO AUDIOVISUAL EQUIPMENT WILL BE PROVIDED**

Presenters must provide their own laptops, LCD projectors, speakers, and other audiovisual equipment. Screens, however, will be provided for each room.

Names, Titles, Home Addresses, Email Addresses and Phone Numbers of Additional Presenters in Group.
All presenters must be 2018-2019 members of a local literacy chapter and must register and pay for the conference prior to JANUARY 31, 2019.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Program Abstract (attachment):

In a brief outline or description of approximately 200 words, address the following points. These will be used for evaluation of your presentation by the conference program selection committee.

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| A. Objectives of the Session | D. Organization of Time for Presentation |
| B. Highlights of Content | E. Each Presenter's Responsibility |
| C. Presentation Methods | F. Audience participation |

Information for Session Chairpersons (attachment):

Attach a brief biography of all speakers for use during introductions to session presentations.

I have asked _____ to facilitate my/our session. A facilitator will be provided for your session unless you have a preference. Or I would not have a session facilitator.

Please email concurrent proposal form to Bonnie Schmeltz
at beareader50@gmail.com