

2024 Support Staff Conference - March 27 & 28, 2024 In-Person Agenda

Wednesday, March 27th

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast (for Tuesday night lodgers)

8:00 – 9:30 Registration Open

9:30 – Opening Session – Vanessa Lewis, CES Community Professional & Economic Development Department, Professional Development Program Associate

9:45 – Welcome & Conference Kickoff

- **Steve Siegelin**, CES Community Professional & Economic Development Department, Professional Development Specialist
- **Dr. Stacey McCullough**, Assistant Vice President, Community, Professional & Economic Development Department Director; Director Public Policy Center – **Administrative Welcome and Update**

11:00 – Concurrent Session I

Topic	Presenter(s)	Room
County Depository Bank Accounts	Tammy Green and Sherry Sanchez	Room 7
Arkansas Cooperative Extension: Thriving in a Multi-Generational Environment	Dr. Nina Roofe	Room 3
Relaxing Your Mind and Body Through Yoga	Amanda Welch	Room 1
Leave Options: Family Medical Leave Act, Catastrophic Leave, and Maternity Leave Basics	Del Johnson and Nytalya Salter	Room 6
Be a STAR*: Dealing with Change and Working Together for the UADA Mission	Genean Butler and Daniela Kidd	Room 2

12:00 p.m. – Dining Hall

1:00 – Concurrent Session II

Topic	Presenter(s)	Room
Workday Travel and Workday Purchasing	Jeffie Thomas, Tammy Green, and Charlette Moore	Room 7
Civil Discourse in the Workplace: How to Stay Friendly When Things Heat Up	Dr. Debbie Nistler	Room 3
Communication is the Cornerstone: Building Teams Through Effective Dialogue	Taylor Knox and David Rice	Room 1
GROing Your Career with UADA	Amy Hedges and Matt Brown	Room 2
Are You on the Right Road? Civil Rights Compliance	Barbara Batiste	Room 6

2:15 – Concurrent Session III

Topic	Presenter(s)	Room
Are You on the Right Road? Civil Rights Compliance	Barbara Batiste	Room 7
Find Your Leadership Grove	Dr. Stacey McCullough	Room 3
Communication is the Cornerstone: Building Teams Through Effective Dialogue	Taylor Knox and David Rice	Room 1
Workday Travel and Workday Purchasing	Jeffie Thomas, Tammy Green, and Charlette Moore	Room 2
Understanding Your True Colors – Part I	Vanessa Lewis	Room 6

3:15 – Break

3:30 – Concurrent Session IV

Topic	Presenter(s)	Room
Dive Into Social Media with the Tech Changemakers Team	Cindy Phillips with 4-Hers Josiah L., Elijah V., and Teegan H.	Room 7
Division Information Technology Services: Departmental Highlights 2024	Chris Lee	Room 3
Be a STAR*: Dealing with Change and Working Together for the UADA Mission	Genean Butler and Daniella Kidd	Room 2
Understanding Your True Colors – Part II	Vanessa Lewis	Room 6
Self-Defense	Master Jeremy Fox	Room 1

5:30 – Dinner, Dining Hall (for all conference participants)

6:00 – Chi Epsilon Sigma Silent Auction Closes

6:30 – Chi Epsilon Sigma Meeting – Classroom 7

6:30 – Classroom 6 available for games, fun, and fellowship

Thursday, March 28th

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast (for Wednesday night lodgers)

CHECK-OUT of rooms by 7:30

8:45 – Opening Session – Steve Siegelin and Vanessa Lewis

- **Dr. J-F Meullenet**, Senior Associate Vice President for Agriculture-Research and Director, Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station – **AES Update**
- **Dr. John Anderson**, Senior Associate Vice President for Agriculture-Extension and Director, Cooperative Extension Service – **CES Update**

9:30 – Concurrent Sessions V

Topic	Presenter(s)	Room
Are We Speaking the Same Language Here?	Mary Hightower	Room 7
Work Smarter: Effectively Using Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Facilitation	Dr. Casandra Cox and Dr. Jill Rucker	Room 3
How to Talk to Your Doctor: Resources for Better Communication with Your Healthcare Provider	Dr. Bryan Mader	Room 2
ROT or Not? Records Management 101 1/2	Amy Hedges	Room 6

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 – Concurrent Sessions VI

Topic	Presenter(s)	Room
OneDrive Fun Drive	Dr. Karen DiCicco and Eli Hanson	Room 7
Creativity and Mindfulness: Discovering/Rediscovering Your Creativity and Its Connection to Stress Relief	Shannon Caldwell	Room 3
Design A to Z	Tracy Courage, Melissa Johnson, Julie Thompson, Ashi Franke, and Chris Meux	Room 2
Are We Speaking the Same Language Here?	Mary Hightower	Room 6

11:45 – Lunch

1:00 p.m. – Closing Session – Steve Siegelin

- **Dr. Deacue Fields**, Vice President for Agriculture – **Division Update and Closing Address**
- **Nytalya Salter**, President, Chi Epsilon Sigma – **Introduction of New Officers**
- **Vanessa Lewis**, CES Community Professional & Economic Development Department, Professional Development Program Associate – **Conference Highlights Video, Door Prizes and Wrap Up**

1:45 – Resource Fair and Ice Cream Social, Dining Hall

3:00 – Have a safe trip home!