

**Literacy,
And Justice for All**



**State of Maryland
Literacy Association**

50th Annual Conference

SoMLA's Second Virtual Conference

March 31 - April 2, 2022

General Information

1. The 50th Annual State of Maryland Literacy Association (SoMLA) Conference will be held virtually March 31-April 2, 2022. The conference theme is “Literacy and Justice for All.”
2. Concurrent sessions will be 50 minutes in length.
3. Concurrent sessions will take place over 5 Saturdays, between mid-Jan and mid-March. Sessions will be recorded. On Saturday, April 2, 2022 there will be a designated time to highlight the recorded sessions and introduce the presenters. Conference participants will receive links to all presentations to view at their convenience.
4. Proposals for concurrent sessions must be received by **November 15, 2021. (extended to November 22)** Applicants submitting proposals will be notified by email of acceptance or non-acceptance by **December 15, 2021.**
5. Presenters must be current 2021-2022 members of a local literacy chapter, which includes membership in SoMLA. If you are not a member, your proposal will not be considered for this year’s conference.

Guidelines for Proposals

1. Each proposal must include the completed application form and attachments. If applicable, include a list of additional presenters with complete addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses.
2. Please include a jpeg photo for all those included on your application to enable us to include the presenter(s) on the schedule platform.
3. The person submitting the proposal is responsible for sharing membership information with co-presenters.

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Topics Suggestions

- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusive Practices in Literacy
- Emergent/Early Literacy
- Adolescent Literacy
- The Middle School Reader
- High School Literacy
- Differentiated Instruction
- Balanced Literacy (Phonemic Awareness, Phonics, Fluency, Vocabulary, and Comprehension)
- Family Literacy
- Multi Language Learners
- Reading Intervention
- Literacy Coaching
- Library Media and Classroom Connections
- Classroom Libraries
- Content Area Reading
- The Writing Process
- Conferring with Learners: Reading and Writing
- Technology and Literacy
- Building the Administrator's Role in Literacy
- Virtual/Hybrid Literacy Instruction
- Social/Emotional Learning Woven into Literacy Practices

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Concurrent Session Proposal Form

Submission Deadline: **November 15, 2021**

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Title of Presentation: _____

Name(s) of Presenter(s): (4 maximum)

Presentation 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☐ Postsecondary**Target Audience: *Check all that apply***☐ Classroom Teacher☐ Reading Specialist☐ Administrator☐ Title I Educator☐ Intervention Teacher☐ Special Educator☐ College Professor☐ College Student☐ Instructional Assistant**Person Submitting Proposal**

Name _____ Title/Position _____

Mailing Address _____

Telephone: (H) _____ (W) _____

E-mail: _____ (Fax) _____

School System and School _____

Have you ever presented at a SoMLA Conference? No _____ Yes _____ Year _____

I am a member of _____ (name of local literacy chapter).

Names, titles, home addresses, email addresses, and phone numbers of additional presenters in the group. **All presenters must be 2021-2022 members of a local literacy chapter prior to submitting your proposal.**

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.

- A. Objectives of the Session
- B. Description of Session Content
- C. Organization of Time for Presentation and Each Presenter's Responsibility
- D. Audience Engagement

Information for Session Chairpersons (attachment):

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

Please email concurrent proposal form to Gayle Glick

at ggayle56@aol.com.