

New Teacher Workshop:

“Revitalize and Rejuvenate: Finishing the School Year Strong”



Featuring Abdul Wright –
“Equitable Leadership in the Classroom”



Sponsored by St. Cloud State University’s Ignite Center

Wednesday, April 12, 2017
Atwood Memorial Center - Cascade, SCSU

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4:15-5:00

Check-in and Networking with Dinner

Stephanie Rothstein, Academic Coach, ROCORI

- Technology Tip



5:00-5:20

Beth Mann, P-12 Liaison, SCSU

- Welcome
- Teacher Leadership and Social Emotional Skills

5:20-7:20

Presenter, Abdul Wright, 2016 Minnesota Teacher of the Year:

Mr. Abdul Wright is an eighth grade English-Language Arts Teacher at Best Academy in Minneapolis, MN. He won the 2016 Minnesota Teacher of the Year as the youngest recipient, first African-American male, and first from a charter school. He is also the recipient of the Minneapolis PeaceMaker’s Award in 2015 and six-time recipient of the Cristo Rey Jesuit High School “You’ve Made a Difference” award. Abdul earned his Bachelor’s degree in Communication Arts and Literature from Concordia University in St. Paul and his Master’s degree in Education from Hamline University.

Overview:

Mr. Abdul Wright will share how his life experiences have shaped his commitment to education, specifically with youth from disadvantaged communities. Through this conversation, he will share educational practices that have proven to be effective in his work with inner-city youth and all youth who may struggle. Abdul will also facilitate a breakout activity that highlights the importance of competency and trust in the classroom.

7:20-7:30

Evaluation of the Evening

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We have appreciated collaborating with you this academic year and wish you all the best with your work on behalf of the students you serve!

Remember, resilience can be fostered by:

- Building relationships with students, colleagues, and parents
- Using your strengths to achieve important goals
- Cultivating compassion for those with whom you work... and yourself
- Having a growth mindset-be a constant learner
- Paying attention to how you frame your stories-are the messages positive or negative?
- Being in the moment and practicing mindfulness
- Focusing on the bright spots in your life
- Using your energy where it counts-what can you control?
- Playing, creating, and celebrating
- Taking care of yourself-protect your time, feed your inner life, avoid too much noise, read good books, have good thoughts in your mind, be yourself, walk, put the phone down