

2021 High Tiered COP Virtual Spring Conference

Session Descriptions

April 21, 2021 – Day 1

9:00 – 10:00 – “How to be Positive, Balanced and Productive despite sudden change” Keynote – Robert Jackson

Robert Jackson’s energy filled, interactive, straight- forward approach to addressing the needs of his clients and bringing about resolutions, will remain embedded in the hearts and minds of your group long after he has left.

10:00 – 11:00 - Cannabis and Recent Science: What Teachers, Administrators, and Parents Need to Know – Dr. Jason Kilmer - Studies have clearly demonstrated links between cannabis/marijuana use, impacts on cognitive abilities, and poorer academic outcomes. Yet as products continue to change (and potency/concentration continues to increase), there are clear considerations for the health and mental health of youth, adolescents, and young adults. This presentation will review relevant science, discuss implications for prevention in schools, and review the important role parents play as partners in prevention.

11:00 – 12:00 – OPI Health & Wellness Resources – Holly & Michele

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1:00 – 2:00 – Workshop – Mr. Jackson

Robert will facilitate workshops tailored to suit your group, while incorporating subject matters that are pertinent to improving individual and corporate well-being.

2:00 – 3:00 – Linking Systems of Care

To improve the responses to child and youth victims and their families by providing consistent, coordinated, and collaborative responses that address the presenting issues and the full range of victims' needs.

3:00 – 4:00 – Best Practices - Curt Tweedy & Hank Richards

Curt Tweedy is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in Missoula Montana. He has been a Therapist at Willard Alternative High School for four years. He also teaches for the School of Social Work at the University of Montana and provides mental health consulting for a variety of programs including Montana Conservation Corps. His past professional/ work experience includes recreational therapy programming at a residential home for people with schizophrenia and almost a decade in the wilderness therapy field (most notably as the director / therapist of a non profit wilderness therapy program). When he is not working, he enjoys traveling overseas and fervently pursuing a wide variety of outdoor/wilderness activities.

Curt will discuss student mental health issues arising out of COVID, and his approach to helping students navigate this school year.

4:00 – 5:00 -Converge Film showing and Panel Discussion – Erin Butts

April 22, 2021 – Day 2

8:00 – 9:00 – OPI Math Resources – Marisa Graybill

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9:00 – 10:00 – CAMPPMT

Connecting Adults and Minors through Positive Parenting is the first of its kind in the nation. Its goal is to help break the cycle of incarceration while focusing on evidence-based programming, trauma informed curriculum and safe, positive and secure reunification strategies while the incarcerated father is still in custody at Montana State Prison.

10:00 – 11:00 - PbS

This session explores how Pine Hills Correctional Facility uses Performance-based Standards (PbS) and trauma-informed approaches to positively impact youth and staff. Authentic topics include the benefits, outcomes and challenges of implementing these strategies and interventions, while empowering and supporting marginalized incarcerated youth.

11:00 – 12:00 – Alternative HS Diploma & SB 18 – Tim Norbeck

<https://legiscan.com/MT/bill/SB18/2021>

1:00 – 4:00 – “Dream Big, Live Colorfully, Lead Boldly – Developing Your Best Self as an Educator Workshop” – Jessica Cabeen