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MSSWA Day on the Hill by the
Registration deadline of:
March 5, 2022

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Registration can be made online
at:

<http://msswa.org/event-4640459>

Or

*Please send payment along with
registration form to:*

MSSWA, 762 Meyer St N
Maplewood, MN 55119

- Make checks payable to MSSWA
- No refunds for cancellations received after 3/5/22

General Information:

- Registration for the day is **\$25 for MSSWA members**, \$40 for Non-Members & \$30 for Non-MSSWA member Students. The registration fee includes 4.5 Board of Social Work CEU's
- Pre-Registration is required!

Minnesota School Social Workers Association (MSSWA)

Presents:

The 19th Annual MSSWA Day on the Hill - Virtual



Wednesday, March 8th, 2022
8:30am to 1:15pm

Virtual Conference online
via Zoom



www.msswa.org



What is Day on the Hill?

Day at the Hill provides an opportunity for school social workers to come together to educate state lawmakers about how we address student barriers to academic success in cost effective ways. **2.5 CEUs awarded. This is a staff development/Board of Social Work approved opportunity, not a political lobby day.**

Keynote Presentation: Social Workers as Nepantleras: Working for Racial Justice and Systemic Change

Dr. Leticia Villarreal Sosa, PhD, LICSW

This presentation will review the role of school social workers as advocates, bridge builders, and transformative leaders. School have historically been a place of forced assimilation and reinforcement of racial and class inequities, but schools can also be a place of empowerment and transformation. School social workers play a key role in leading schools in this process and advocating at all levels given their knowledge of lived realities and systems on the ground. As our code of ethics states, social workers must take action against oppression, racism, discrimination and inequities, and acknowledge personal privilege.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the possibilities and potential of the role of SSW's as social justice advocates.
2. Understand the historical context and function of the public school system.
3. Learn strategies for using your positionality to enact systemic change and equitable practices.

Agenda for the Day:

8:30-8:45.....Zoom Logon Opens

8:45-9:00.....Christy McCoy, MSSWA Legislative Chair:
Welcome, Introductions & Review of Day

9:00-10:20...**Keynote: *Social Workers as Nepantleras*: Dr. Leticia Villarreal Sosa, LICSW**

10:20-10:50...Small Group Breakouts - Networking discussions centered on strengthening the impact of our advocacy at the micro, meso and macro levels to ensure educational equity and to dismantle social injustices

10:50-11:20...Large group share-out from small group discussions

11:20-11:30...Break

10:30-11:45...MDE Director of Government Relations, Adosh Unni

11:45-12:00...Legislative Priorities from MSSWA Lobbyist Brad Lundell & Christy McCoy

12:00-12:15...Senator Nick Frenz - Tips for Talking to Your Senators

12:15-12:30...Small Breakouts to Prepare for Meeting with Legislators

12:30-1:00...Meeting with Legislators from Senate/ House Ed Committees

1:00-1:15...Closing Remarks and CEU's

Contact Tony Porter at mplstonyjoel@gmail.com or (612) 803-2722 with questions or for additional information.

Why should I attend?

- Make a powerful connection with your personal state legislator and inform him or her how you address barriers to student academic success!
- Become energized by joining together with SSW's from across the state!
- Contribute to your professional organization, MSSWA, by spreading the word about the valuable contribution we make in schools!

Who should attend?

- Current or past school social workers
- Students interested in the field of school social work
- Friends and supporters of school social work and public education

Section 6.04 (a) of the NASW Code of Ethics states social workers should get involved in the political process:

6.04 Social and Political Action

“(a).....Social workers should be aware of the impact of the political arena on practice and should advocate for changes in policy and legislation....”

