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OCTOBER 22-24, 2023



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Sunday, October 22 | 1:00 p.m.

Joy: It's an Inside Job

Julia Cook

ABOUT THE SESSION: The demands on school counselors often feels overwhelming. Each day we are confronted with behavioral issues, inequity, suicidal ideation, and diversity challenges...and that's on top of working with students on future career options and post-secondary education, and keeping track of all the data and documentation.

When the school counseling tidal wave begins to swell, how do you stand strong and continue to pour out the encouragement, wisdom, and support your students need?

In this heartfelt, engaging talk, Julia Cook shares what it's taken her years to figure out. Happiness is momentary, but Joy is a constant state of contentment that is not shifted by the chaos around us. Through stories and practical steps, Julia teaches us how to shift our thinking and actions so that we can:

- move from looking for temporary happiness to finding long-term joy
- develop a process for self-care that inhibits burnout and compassion fatigue
- inspire others to find their own inner joy
- be a school counselor who looks forward to Mondays

SPEAKER BIO: Julia Cook, M.S. is a national award-winning children's author, counselor, and parenting expert. She has presented in thousands of schools nationally and internationally, regularly speaks at education and counseling conferences, and has published almost one hundred children's books on a wide range of character and social development topics. The goal behind Cook's work is to actively involve young people in fun, memorable stories and teach them to become lifelong problem solvers. Inspiration for her books comes from working with children and carefully listening to counselors, parents, and teachers, in order to stay on top of needs in the classroom and at home. Cook has the innate ability to enter the worldview of a child through storybooks, giving children both the "what to say" and the "how to say it."

Julia will also be presenting a breakout session.



Monday, October 23 | 9:15 a.m.

Understanding Students Through Their Perspectives

Tommie Mabry

ABOUT THIS SESSION: This session will give strategies to provide a space for students to develop a positive perspective on their formal education. This interactive session will provide educators with real-world insight into how shifting their own perspective on their students, can transform the educational process. By taking a deep dive into what shapes students' perspectives, educators can better understand the beliefs, values, and experiences of students who have been labeled as "troubled" or "at risk."

This session will also allow participants to see the importance of being able to build trust with their students.

SPEAKER BIO: Dr. Tommie Mabry grew up in one of Jackson, MS roughest neighborhoods. He was suspended or expelled from several schools due to his behavior. Things started to change for Tommie when he joined an AAU basketball league that traveled around the world. He received a full basketball scholarship to Missouri State University-West Plains and later received a B.A. cum laude in Education from Tougaloo College and his M.A. in Child Development. After his undergraduate studies, Tommie was hired as a teacher by the same Jackson Public School District that had suspended and expelled him many times during elementary and secondary education. He went on to get a Doctorate Degree – an Executive Ph. D. from Jackson State University in 2020 where he majored in Urban Higher Education. Tommie now travels the world sharing his story to motivate and inspire others.

Tommie will also be presenting a breakout session.



Tentative Schedule

Sunday, October 22, 2023

12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Registration and Information Center Open
12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Exhibits Open
1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Opening Keynote Session – Julia Cook
2:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.	Transition Break
2:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.	Breakout Session 1
3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.	Refreshment Break with Exhibitors
4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.	Breakout Session 2
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Awards Gala Dinner

Monday, October 23, 2023

7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Registration and Information Center Open
7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Exhibits Open
8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	Opening General Session: President’s Remarks and Keynote Session – Tommie Mabry
10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	Break – Visit Exhibitors
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Breakout Session 3
12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.	Chill, Connect, Dine, and Express Learning Sessions A (B.O. 4)
1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Chill, Connect, Dine, and Express Learning Sessions B (B.O. 5)
2:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.	Transition Break
2:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.	Breakout Session 6
3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.	Refreshment Break with Exhibitors
4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.	Breakout Session 7 – LSSSCA Track
5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	President’s Reception (Embassy Suites Atrium)

Tuesday, October 24, 2023

8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	Registration and Information Center Open
8:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.	Exhibits Open
8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.	Breakout Session 8
9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	Coffee Break with Exhibitors
10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	Breakout Session 9
11:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.	Transition Break – Last Chance to see Exhibitors
11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.	Networking Groups

REGISTRATION FORM (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

REGIONS

1. Edinburg
2. Corpus Christi
3. Victoria
4. Houston
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6. Huntsville
7. Kilgore
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9. Wichita Falls
10. Richardson
11. Fort Worth
12. Waco
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15. San Angelo
16. Amarillo
17. Lubbock
18. Midland
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20. San Antonio

NAME (as it should appear on name badge) _____

JOB TITLE - (required please) _____

SCHOOL/DISTRICT/ ORGANIZATION _____

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A. Main Conference (October 22-24)

Early Register (by Aug. 31, 2023)**

Regular Registration (after Aug. 31, 2023)

LSSSCA Member*

\$155 per person

\$175 per person

Non-Member

\$205 per person

\$225 per person

Graduate Student*/Retiree*

\$115 per person

\$135 per person

B. LSSSCA One-Year Membership

You can save \$50 on your conference registration by becoming a member of the LSSSCA for only \$30!

To sign up for membership, please add \$30 to line (B) below.

C. Awards Gala Dinner (Sunday, Oct 22)

If attending, please add \$50 to line (C).

* Must have an LSSSCA membership through October 24, 2023 to qualify for member rates.

** To qualify for the Early Registration Rate, your registration form AND payment (copy of your purchase order, check, or credit card) must be received or postmarked by the Early Registration cutoff date.

(A) Full-Conference Total \$ _____

(B) Membership Total \$ _____

(C) Awards Gala Dinner Total \$ _____

Total Due (A + B + C) \$ _____

SBEC and LPC hours available:

15.5 SBEC CPE hours available (#902-466) • 15.5 LPC CPE hours available (2740)

REGISTRATIONS CANNOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT PAYMENT. PLEASE SEND PAYMENT AND REGISTRATION FORM(S) TOGETHER.

How and Where Do I Pay?

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CANCELLATION POLICY: If we are forced to cancel the LSSSCA Conference because of a "force majeure" event, such as a government restriction on large gatherings that cover the intended size of the conference, then we will issue full refunds of the registrations. Otherwise, our normal cancellation policy will be upheld: There will be no refunds after September 22, 2023. All cancellations before September 22, 2023 will be refunded less a \$25 handling fee. The conference is not responsible for and cannot give refunds due to problems beyond its control such as weather or school closings.

On social distancing and other health and safety measures, the LSSSCA Conference will conform to all necessary regulations/guidelines that are in place in Frisco, TX as of the date of the conference.

WEBSITE: www.ncyionline.org/lssscac

EMAIL: registrations@ncyi.org

FAX: 423-899-4547

PHONE: 866-318-6294

MAIL: National Center for Youth Issues
P.O. Box 22185
Chattanooga, TN 37422-2185

Please make your check or purchase order payable to: **National Center for Youth Issues.**

A W-9 is available on the website.

PLEASE NOTE: The attendee will receive a confirmation to the email address provided when their registration is processed (make sure to check Junk/Spam folders). Please allow ample time for processing. The sponsors of the conference receive registrant contact information.

Embassy Suites Dallas Frisco Hotel Convention Center & Spa Frisco, Texas



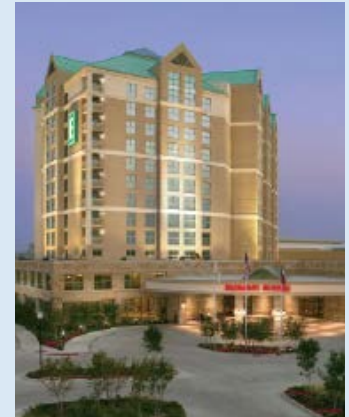
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To make hotel reservations:

All events of the Conference will be located in the Convention Center. Standard rooms at the hotel may be reserved by **October 6, 2023** at the special conference rate of **\$162 per night**, plus tax. The conference rate includes a **full, cooked-to-order breakfast and an evening Manager's Reception.**

TO RESERVE YOUR ROOM BY PHONE: Make your reservations by calling the hotel directly at **972-712-7200**, and refer to the "LOL" block to receive this rate.

TO RESERVE YOUR ROOM ONLINE: Go to www.ncyionline.org/lssscac and follow the link to the hotel's reservation system.



Overflow Hotel Information

If the Embassy Suites hotel is full, we have opened a room block at a new hotel within easy walking distance from the Embassy Suites!



Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Frisco

7550 Gaylord Pkwy, Frisco TX 75034 • 469-362-8485

The Hilton Garden Inn, within easy walking distance from the Embassy Suites, has a conference rate of **\$154 per night**, plus tax, which remains valid for reservations made by **October 1, 2023**, while rooms are available. The group rate includes a Continental Breakfast Buffet.

TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS:

CALL: (469) 362-8485. Please be sure to tell the hotel that you are with the "Lone Star State School Counselor Association 2023" group.

REGISTER ONLINE: Go to www.ncyionline.org/lssscac and follow the link to the hotel's reservation system. Use code "90G."



Home2 Suites by Hilton

2000 Parkwood Boulevard, Frisco, TX 75034 • (972) 377-7300

The Home2 Suites, within easy walking distance from the Embassy Suites, has a conference rate of **\$139 per night**, plus tax, which remains valid for reservations made by **October 15, 2023**, while rooms are available. The group rate includes complimentary parking and breakfast.

TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS:

CALL: (972) 377-7300. Please be sure to tell the hotel the group code "CHT90A" or that you are with the "Lone Star State School Counselors."

REGISTER ONLINE: Go to www.ncyionline.org/lssscac and follow the link to the hotel's reservation system.



Come Learn and Play!

In the evening, make sure you take time to relax and enjoy the surrounding area. Go to www.ncyionline.org/lssscac to see the things to do around the beautiful Embassy Suites.



Visit the Stonebriar Centre, across the street from the Embassy Suites!

- You can sit back and relax at the many restaurants at the Stonebriar, such as Cheesecake Factory, California Pizza Kitchen, Perry's Steakhouse and Grill, and Dave and Busters, along with others.
- The Stonebriar Centre also has an AMC movie theater, so you can finally watch that movie you have been wanting to see.
- At the Stonebriar, enjoy shopping at the Sam Moon, Williams & Sonoma, Coach, Yankee Candle, Sephora, Forever 21, Barnes & Noble, and many more!



We hope this conference will educate and equip you to do your job well, and we also hope you will take advantage of the wonderful ways you can relax and be refreshed!



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