

CALL FOR POSTERS

**Arizona Association of School Psychologists
40th Annual Conference
Desert Willow Conference Center
Phoenix, Arizona
October 27 – 28, 2008**

The 40th annual AASP conference provides the opportunity to share research findings relevant to school psychology, support professional practice, and network with other professionals. The theme for this year's conference is "SuppoRTIng Achievement and Mental Health of our Students."

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Posters are an excellent, low stress venue in which to present your research in an informal and interactive setting. Posters are intended to provide authors and participants with the ability to connect with each other and to engage in discussions about the research. Poster presentations should focus around an informative topic that is relevant to the field of school psychology. Posters will be accepted in the following categories.

- (a) **Empirical Studies** must be completed research projects that have not been published or in press. It should be indicated if the research has been presented at another conference. Authors are urged to explain the theoretical basis, procedures and methods used, findings, and to explicate practical applications for the use of their research in school psychology.
- (b) **Case Studies** are reports that follow a client/participant through the therapeutic process from assessment to goals and objectives, program planning, implementation, and evaluation/outcome measurement.
- (c) **Theoretical/Literature Reviews**, or non-empirical presentations, are reports on others' research, current trends, theories, and other selected topics, that are not generated from the author's original research.
- (d) **Quasi-Experimental Studies**, which may include research based in a school district, where schools have collected data related to topics such as Response to Intervention (RTI).

INCENTIVE FOR PARTICIPATION

First authors of the first ten proposals submitted will receive \$50.00 toward registration at the AASP Conference.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS

1. The first author of the proposal must be a member of AASP and register for the conference. Other authors who attend must register for the conference.
2. By submitting an abstract, you are making a commitment to present if your proposal is accepted.
3. Try to limit the number of authors to four or less. List the names and affiliations of each author.
4. Abstracts reporting empirical studies must include a statement of the problem, subjects used, procedure, results, and conclusions. A comparable format is required for conceptual papers. Presentations focusing on case studies, practice perspectives, or applied research should have a clear introduction, a well-written body of text and a discussion of the application of their information to the field of School Psychology.
5. Abstracts should have a clear and descriptive title above the first line of text. No information about the author(s) should appear on the abstract itself, only on the cover page. Please keep abstracts to 500 words or less.
6. Style of abstracts and posters should conform to the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association* (5th Edition). Participants should adhere to the *APA Ethical Principles and Code of Conduct* in their research and presentations. See APA's *Publication Manual* (5th Edition) for specific suggestions for reducing language bias.
7. An electronic version of the abstract should be sent to the Chair of the Professional Development Committee as an e-mail attachment in MS Word format. If this is not possible, you may fax a copy of the abstract and your contact information.
8. Include in the submission your abstract, Cover Page for Poster Presentation Proposals, and contact information (phone number, fax number and email address) for each presenter.

POSTER FORMAT

Posters may be any size up to 36 by 60 inches. Design, coloration, etc. is up to the author, but should look professional and be easy to read from 4 feet away.

SCHEDULE

Poster sessions will be held during the AASP Conference in the afternoon on **Monday, October 27, 2008**. Poster authors are responsible for setting up and taking down their posters. Easels will be provided by AASP. It is recommended that authors provide at least 25 handouts for interested attendees.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

Poster presentation proposal information must be sent as an e-mail attachment, or if necessary, postmarked or faxed by midnight **October 19, 2008**.

COVER PAGE FOR POSTER PRESENTATION PROPOSALS

TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL complete the following information and send it by the **October 19, 2008** deadline.

Presentation Type: ___ Completed research ___ Case Study ___ Other

Author name: _____ E-mail _____

Title: _____

Affiliation name: _____

Address: _____ Work phone: _____

2nd Author name: _____ E-mail _____

Title: _____ Affiliation: _____

3rd Author name: _____ E-mail _____

Title: _____ Affiliation: _____

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Title: _____ Affiliation: _____

TITLE OF RESEARCH PROPOSAL: _____

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