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Thursday, April 6, 2017

Lincoln Land Community College Springfield, Illinois

Learning is not a spectator sport.

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Registration is free for ILCCO and NILRC member institutions.

Register online at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2017LearningInnovations

Program

9:30-10:00 Coffee and Welcome

10:00-10:50 Fantasy League Approach to Inspired Learning

Emily Vescogni, Director of Learning Technologies, Illinois Valley Community College

Technology propelled fantasy sports into a passion pursued by over 55 million people annually. What's the attraction, and how can we leverage that in the classroom? Find out how some educators use the fantasy league approach build excitement for information literacy, math concepts, and global citizenship, and more.

11:00-11:50 App Development From Concept to Gradebook

Kathleen Wolz, Professor of Nursing, Joliet Junior College

This presentation discusses how to create an gaming/educational app from concept to gradebook. Learn strategies for developing your concept, finding a programmer, and developing a data base to market your product. Building an LTI in Canvas is also presented. The presenter discusses next steps and shows you the doors that open once you have an app in the app store.

12:00-12:45 Lunch provided

1:00-1:50 Escape Rooms in Higher Education

Linda Lee, Associate Director of Educational Technology and Innovation; and Cindy Arthur, Instructional Design Specialist, Carl Sandburg College

There is a new trend in the entertainment world: escape rooms. A group is locked in a room, and they are asked to work together to solve a series of clues to escape. James Sanders and Adam Bellow (co-founders) created Breakout EDU based on the appeal of the "escape room. Breakout EDU offers over 200 free educational, content-based breakout games. This session will run participants through a breakout session and share helpful tips to implement this activity in your classroom. Breakoutedu.com will provide you with more information.

2:00-2:50 Online Tutoring: Alternate Avenues of Assistance

Henry Gordon, Academic Assistant II-Project Leader, Online Tutoring; and Ana Krstic, Instructional Assistant-STEM Specialist, College of DuPage

When scheduling does not work for face-to-face appointments, what other methods are available to provide assistance to students? The College of DuPage Learning Commons has explored several avenues of online tutoring, including

asynchronous and synchronous deliveries. This session looks at the many problems and opportunities that have arisen using email, Skype, Blackboard Collaborate, and Blackboard Collaborate Ultra for providing online assistance to students. The goal of this session is to share our experiences in order to guide others in the development of their own online tutoring programs.

3:00-5:00

Triumphs and Challenges in Providing Accessible Online Services and Courses

Panelists Cindy Arthur, Instructional Design Specialist, Carl Sandburg College; Tammy Ray, Instructional Technology & Distance Learning Coordinator at Elgin Community College; Vickie Cook, Director, Center for Online Learning, Research and Service/Research Associate Professor of Education at the University of Illinois Springfield.

Panel facilitators will lead discussions on analyzing institutional culture for accessibility readiness, tips and trick needed to make content accessible, and triumphs and challenges related to both a strategic and tactical approach to becoming an accessible campus. The panelists encourage attendees to bring a personal device to both connect to a Google site and participate during the session, as well as to try some of the tips that will be shared to more fully understand challenges with creating accessibility.

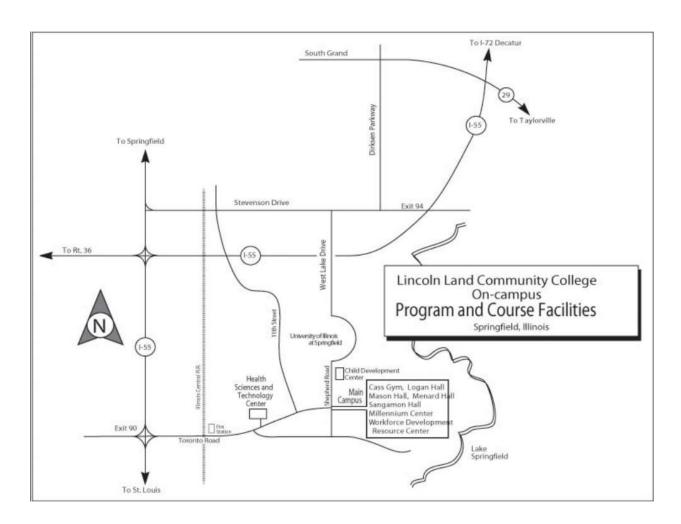
Conference Special



All conference attendees will receive a one free month access to the Starlink online professional development library. NILRC members also receive a 16% discount on Starlink programming.

Conference Location

Lincoln Land Community College Trutter Center 5250 Shepherd Rd. Springfield, IL 62794-9256 (217) 786-2200 To reach Lincoln Land Community College: Take I-55 North or South to exit 90. Then proceed east on Toronto Road. Continue on, over railroad tracks, and Toronto Road will take you directly into LLCC's campus.



Registration

Register early to save your space and to help us in planning. Please exercise courtesy by informing planners if your plans change. Contact Lisa Sikora at lsikora@nilrc.org.

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