

**Conference**

**on**

**Education and Poverty**

**Millersville University of Pennsylvania**

**Thursday November 30 –Saturday December 2, 2017**

# Thursday, November 30

## 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Are We Still ’Waiting for Superman?’

McComsey Hall, Myers Auditorium

Public viewing of the documentary films *Waiting for Superman* and *The Inconvenient Truth Behind Waiting for Superman* with panel and audience discussion and debate.

Sponsored by the Millersville University Disability Film Festival.

Panelists:

Tim Eller, Executive Director, Keystone Alliance for Public Charter Schools

George Ioannidis, Business Manager, Spring Grove Area School District

Ana Meyer, Executive Director, PA Coalition for Public Charter Schools

Michelle Sosnoski, Reading Specialist, Donegal Intermediate School

John B. Tintera, Chief Justice, Student Government Association, Millersville University

# Friday, December 1

**8:30 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast**

Student Memorial Center, outside of Reighard Multipurpose Room 114

**8:45 a.m. Welcome! Dr. Vilas Prabhu, Provost**

Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114

## 9:00 a.m. Keynote: Dr. Persida Himmele

**Author, ASCD Best-Selling Book, *Total Participation Techniques***

**Associate Professor, Millersville University**

Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114

## 9:50 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Break

## 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Concurrent Sessions 1

### Total Participation Techniques: Making Every Student an Active Learner

Student Memorial Center, Room 114

Presenter: Dr. Bill Himmele

Author, *Total Participation Techniques,* Associate Professor, Millersville University

### A Tale of Two Students: Lessons on Students in Poverty

Student Memorial Center, Room 24

Presenter: Danielle Brown

Principal, McKinley K-8 School, School District of the City of York

Doctoral Student, Millersville and Shippensburg University

### A Walk in Their Shoes: The Many Faces of Homeless in Education

Student Memorial Center, Room 202

Presenters:

Jasmyne King-Smith, Coordinator of Parent Involvement/Families in Transition

Lisette Rivera, Site Coordinator for Families in Transition

School District of Lancaster

### The Wonder Kids Program: STEM Opportunities for Homeless Children

Student Memorial Center, Room 203

Presenters:

Kristen Hoffa, Regional Coordinator, Berks County Intermediate Unit

Rebecca Travaglini, Teacher, Tulpehocken School District

### An Interactive Workshop to Enhance Cultural Proficiency in Serving Learners

### Who Struggle With Poverty

Student Memorial Center, Room 204

Presenters:

Beth Powers, Ph.D. Assistant Professor

Tiffany Wright, Ed.D. Associate Professor

Millersville University

## 10:45 a.m. - 10:55 Break

## 10:55 a.m. - 11:40 a.m. Concurrent Sessions 2

### Airports, Cars and Boxes: The Portrayal of Poverty in Children’s Books

Student Memorial Center Room 24

Presenters:

Dr. Lesley Colabucci, Associate Professor

Dr. Jennifer Shettel, Associate Professor

Kristin Hellman, Undergraduate Student

Alexandra Maceiko, Undergraduate Student

Millersville University

### Hurt People, Hurt People: Race and Educators as Agents of Transformation

Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114 Presenter: Amanda Kemp, Ph.D.

Racial Justice and Mindfulness Mentor

Author of *Say the Wrong Thing: Stories and Strategies for Racial Justice and Authentic Community*

### Mama Carmen’s Cookies and Other Radical Lessons from the Classroom

Student Memorial Center Room 204 Presenter: Carmen Rowe, Ed.D.

ESL Coach, The School District of Lancaster

Part-time faculty, Millersville University

**Better Together: Addressing Issues of Poverty Through Community Partnerships**

Student Memorial Center Room 202

Presenters:

Rhonda Brunner, Ed.D., Associate Professor

Wendy Kubasko, Ed.D., Assistant Professor

Shippensburg University

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**11:40 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch, Upper Deck Dining Hall, Gordinier**

**Ticket Required**

## 12:30 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Undergraduate Student Poster Sessions

## Student Memorial Center Atrium

## 1:15 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Panel Session: Education & Poverty

Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114

Dr. Nakeiha Primus Smith, Panel Moderator

Panelists:

### Jessica Fischer, Lancaster YWCA

### Dr. Amanda Kemp, Racial Justice and Mindfulness Mentor

### Annette Rosa-Pabon, Communities in Schools of PA

### Ismail Smith Wade-El, Lancaster Community Action Partnership

## 2:00 p.m. - 2:10 p.m. Break

## 2:10 p.m. - 2:55 p.m. Concurrent Sessions 3

### The Impact of State Tax Code Progressivity on the Educational Outcomes

### for Children In Poverty

Student Memorial Center, Room 202

Presenter: Dr. Laura Granruth, Assistant Professor, Millersville University

### Utilizing Education to Reduce the Effects of Poverty for Native Nations

Student Memorial Center, Room 24

Presenters:

Carolyn Rittenhouse and Students in the Friends and Advocates for Native Nations

**The Impact of Poverty on English Learners, Migrants, Refugees and Immigrants**

Student Memorial Center, Room 204

Presenters:

Amber Hilt, Coordinator of ESL and World Language

Shannon Smith, ESL Coach

School District of the City of Lancaster

### Effective Strategies for Working with the Urban Learner

Student Memorial Center Room 203

George Fitch, Assistant Principal, William Penn Senior High School, School District of the City of York, Doctoral Student, Millersville & Shippensburg Universities

### Yoga and Meditation Practices for Children

Student Memorial Center Room 18

Dr. Jonina Turzi, DPT

Owner, teacher, therapist, West End Yoga, Lancaster

## 2:55 - 3:05 Break

## 3:05 p.m. - 3:50 p.m. Concurrent Sessions 4

### Perceptions of Poverty: Analysis of Incoming Teacher Candidates’ Conceptualization

### of Poverty

Student Memorial Center Room 202

Presenters:

Dr. Kazi Hossain, Associate Professor

Dr. Jennifer Burke, Assistant Professor

Millersville University

### How to Build and Nurture Mindsets that Promote Academic Resilience

### for Students from Poverty

Student Memorial Center Room 204

Presenters:

Dr. Margaret Mbindyo, Academic Adviser/Instructor

Dr. David Henriques, Director of Academic Advisement & Student Development

Dr. Cora Dzubak, Academic Adviser and Instructor

Professor Nicole Hastings, Academic Adviser and Instructor

Millersville University

**6:00 p.m. Optional: Dinner and Music at El Seranno, Lancaster**

**2151 Columbia Avenue, Lancaster, PA**

**RVSP at the Registration Table by 12 noon**

# Saturday, December 2

**8:30 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast**

Hallway outside of Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114

**8:45 a.m. Welcome! Dr. George Drake, Dean,**

**College of Education and Human Services**

Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114

## 8:50 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.: Keynote: Dr. Robert Slavin

**Director of the Center for Research and Reform, Johns Hopkins University**

**Chairman of the Success for All Foundation**

***Evidence for ESSA: Combatting the Educational Effects of Poverty***

Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114

## 9:50 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Break

## 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Concurrent Sessions 5

### Poverty and Racial Disproportionality in Education

Student Memorial Center Room 204

Presenter: Shileste Overton Morris

Director, Center for Schools and Communities

Doctoral Candidate, Millersville & Shippensburg Universities

### High Yield Leadership in High Poverty Schools

Student Memorial Center Room 202

Presenter: Jamie Aliveto

Director of System Accountability and School Improvement,

Frederick County Public Schools, Frederick, MD

Doctoral Candidate, Millersville & Shippensburg Universities

### How Digital Inequality Effects the Education of Children in Poverty

Student Memorial Center Room 118

Presenter: Matthew Campbell

Director of Learning Technologies, The Milton Hershey School

Doctoral Candidate, Millersville & Shippensburg Universities

### The Relevance of Teacher Disposition and Growth Mindset for the Education of Children in Poverty

Student Memorial Center Room 24

Presenter: Shirley Murray

Principal, Pequea Elementary, Penn Manor School District

Doctoral Candidate, Millersville & Shippensburg Universities

### Developing Global Competence with Children in Poverty

Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room, 114 Presenters:

Danielle Heisler, Secondary Supervisor of Special Education, Manheim Twp. School District

Steph Herr, 12th Grade English, Manheim Central High School

Christina Lampo, School Counselor, Manheim Central Middle School

Amber Mentz, Special Education Liaison, Red Lion Area School District

Michelle Sosnoski, Reading Specialist Grades 3-6, Donegal School District

Rebecca Shertzer, German Teacher Grades 9-12, Hempfield High School

Graduate students in Educational Leadership and Supervision, Millersville University

## 10:45 a.m. - 10:55 a.m. Break

## 10:55 a.m. - 11:40 a.m. Concurrent Sessions 6

### The Lancaster Teenage Girls Empowerment Conference

Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114

Presenters:

Dr. Rita Smith Wade-El, Professor, Millersville University

Assoc. Pastor Vondol Hammond, Ebeneezer Baptist Church

Ruby Taylor, Author and Documentarian

Millersville University

### Why Blended Learning Can Benefit Children in Poverty

Student Memorial Center Room 202

Presenter: Brett Stark

Associate Senior Director of Curriculum and Instruction, The Milton Hershey School

Doctoral Candidate, Millersville & Shippensburg Universities

### The Role of Community Schools in Supporting Impoverished Children

Student Memorial Center Room 118

Presenter: Khaleel Desaque

Director of School Improvement, Pennsylvania Department of Education

Doctoral Candidate, Millersville & Shippensburg Universities

### The Need for Trauma Informed Care in Helping Children in Poverty

Overcome Adverse Childhood Experiences

Student Memorial Center Room 204

Presenter: Kristy Szobocsan

Principal, Warwick High School

Doctoral Candidate, Millersville & Shipensburg Universities

**Career and Technical Education: Potential Interruption to Intergenerational Poverty**

Student Memorial Center Room 18

Presenter: Jan L. Zeager

Special Education Director, Dauphin County Technical School

Doctoral Candidate, Millersville & Shippensburg Universities

### The Effects of Rural Poverty on the Literacy of Children in Early Childhood

Student Memorial Center Room 24

Presenter: Holly Sayre

Principal, Red Land High School

Doctoral Candidate, Millersville & Shippensburg Universities

## 11:40 a.m. - 12:20 p.m. Concurrent Scrolling Sessions

**Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114**

**Presenters: Millersville and Shippensburg Universities Doctoral Students**

**21st Century Professional Development: Professional Learning Communities**

Presenters:

Chad Runkle, Principal, Winding Creek Elementary, Cumberland Valley School District

Megan Ward, Principal, Monroe Elementary, Cumberland Valley School District

Stacey Cherny, Principal, South Side Elementary, Central Dauphin School District

**Ready for Success: What’s Working in Early Intervention and School Readiness**

Presenters:

John Black, Principal, Park Elementary, Columbia SD

Beth Ann Radanovic, Director of Special Education, Northeastern SD

Nicole Reinking, Assistant Principal, Conestoga Valley Middle School, Conestoga Valley SD

Keith Watson, Supervisor of Special Education, Cumberland Valley SD

**The Effects of Homelessness and High Mobility on Educational Outcomes**

Presenters:

### Chanda Telleen, Director of Multi-Tiered System of Support, Harrisburg School District (Capital Area Intermediate Unit educational consultant on assignment)

### Nancy Herb, Principal, Gettysburg Area Middle School

### Sue Moyer, Principal on Special Assignment/Federal Programs Coordinator, School District of the City of York

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## 12:20 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch (private lunch requires ticket)

Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114

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## 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Panel Session:

## Education, Poverty, and Reform

Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room 114

Dr. Ann Gaudino, Panel Moderator

Panelists:

Dr. Robert Slavin, Director of the Center for Research and Reform in Education,

Johns Hopkins

University Chairman of the Success for All Foundation

Dr. John Ward, Interim Dean, College of Education, Kutztown University

Dr. Damaris Rau, Superintendent, School District of Lancaster

Dr. Persida Himmele, ASCD Author of Total Participation Techniques

# Conference Committee

Dr. Ann C. Gaudino, Conference Director

Mr. Damaso Albino, PA Migrant Education

Dr. Laura Granruth, Social Work

Dr. Hadi Halawa, Wellness & Sports Science

Dr. Ojama Edeh Herr, Special Education

Dr. Nakeiha Primus Smith, Educational Foundations

Dr. Rita Smith-Wade-El, Psychology

# Student Assistants

# Logan Krammer

# Henry J Schmale

# Stephanie Stine

**Student Volunteers**

The 90 Students from Dr. Rita Smith Wade-El’s Psychology Classes

# Instructors of Doctoral Student Presenters

Dr. Ann Gaudino, Millersville University

Dr. Phillip Diller, Shippensburg University

Dr. Tiffany Wright, Millersville University

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Dr. Thomas Neuville, Disability Studies Adviser

Dr. Karen Rice, Chair, Social Work Department

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**SAVE THE DATES:**

**2nd Symposium on Educational Leadership and Poverty**

**At the Dixon Center, Harrisburg, PA**

**Saturday, May 5, 2018**

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**November 29-December 1, 2018**