



MAP* to Inclusion & Belonging News Brief

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First Annual Inclusion Collaborative State Conference, San Jose, CA - October 23 & 24, 2014 Call for Presentations

The **MAP to Inclusion and Belonging Project Team** is proud to be a partner in supporting and promoting the First Annual Inclusion Collaborative Early Learning Conference sponsored by the Santa Clara County Office of Education Inclusion Collaborative in San Jose, CA on October 23 & 24, 2014. This MAP News Brief alerts you the opportunity to:

Present at this interactive and reflective educational event for those involved in the care and education of children with and without disabilities from birth to 3rd grade.

Topic Strands:

- Evidence-based practices and resources that support inclusion and research findings that inform and guide inclusion policies
- Effective model(s) used in natural environments and least restrictive environments that support inclusion in diverse cultural settings
- Parent engagement in inclusive settings
- Overcoming barriers to inclusion
- Professional development that supports inclusion
- Alignment across age levels

Questions? Email: inclusion@sccoe.org

For more information about the conference, visit <http://www.sccoe.org/depts/students/inclusion-collaborative/Pages/default.aspx>

Submit proposals by March 10, 2014 online at:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2014_call_for_presenters

Some of the collaborating agencies include but are not limited to:

- California Department of Education, Early Education and Support Division.



A poster for the Inclusion Collaborative State Conference. At the top, it says "INCLUSION COLLABORATIVE" with a small logo. Below that, there are three photos of children playing. The main text reads "INCLUSION COLLABORATIVE STATE CONFERENCE", "Inclusion Matters... Be the Change!", and "CALL FOR PRESENTERS Oct 23-24, 2014". It also lists the location as Santa Clara County Office of Education - San Jose, CA. There are sections for "Topic strands" and "Recommended for:" with bullet points. At the bottom, it says "Submit proposals by March 10, 2014 at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2014_call_for_presenters" and includes the Santa Clara County Office of Education logo and name.

- California Department of Education, Special Education Division
- California Head Start
- California Division for Early Childhood
- University of California Center for Excellence on Developmental Disabilities
- California Preschool Instructional Network CPIN Region 5
- 4c's Santa Clara County
- DEC
- Department of Developmental Services
- DRDPAccess Project
- FIRST 5 Santa Clara County
- Head Start Santa Clara County
- Infant Development Association
- Map to Inclusion and Belonging
- Orange County Office of Education
- Pacific Oaks College
- RAFT
- Andreas Regional Center
- Francisco State University
- Jose State University
- Santa Clara County Head Start
- SELPA's I, II, III, IV and VII
- Supporting Early Education Delivery Systems
- YMCA Afterschool Program-Silicon Valley
- West Ed Center for Child and Family Studies
- West Ed-CPEI

MAP* to Inclusion and Belonging—**Clâ€***** Making Access Possible** Project, funded by the the Early Education and Support Division of the California Department of Education, provides information, resources, supports and training to help child care providers, educators, specialists and families include children and youth with disabilities and other special needs in child care, after school and community settings. MAP New Briefs alert you to newly identified resources, practices and educational opportunities that support optimal development and well being in high quality environments where children with and without disabilities and special needs can thrive together.

Visit the [MAP website](#) to learn more about the MAP Project and resources for inclusion! For questions about this news brief or about MAP email map@wested.org.



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