



# Manitoba Association of Secondary Teachers of At-Risk Students

Club Regent Casino, 1425 Regent Avenue W.

## Program

**8:30–9:00 a.m.**

Registration and continental breakfast

**9:00–9:15 a.m.**

Introduction and welcome

**9:15–10:30 a.m.**

Keynote speaker Vicki Phillips

**10:30–10:45 a.m.**

Nutrition break

**10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.**

Keynote continued

**12:00–1:30 p.m.**

Sit down lunch and Dale Nikkel

**1:30–1:45 p.m.**

Break

**1:45–3:00 p.m.**

Keynote conclusion

**3:00–3:30 p.m.**

Early bird draw, door prizes, closing remarks

### Keynote speaker: Vicki Phillips

Vicki Phillips has worked with at-risk adolescents for over thirty years as a teacher, counselor, assistant principal, and, for 22 years, as principal of an award-winning California continuation high school. Vicki is the author of *Personal Development*, a one-semester curriculum designed to develop respect, responsibility, and resiliency in at-risk students, purchased to-date by over 1450 school districts and organizations nationwide. Vicki also has written two books, *Turning Them Around: Developing Motivation, Responsibility, And Self-discipline In At-risk Youth* and *Empowering Discipline: An Approach That Works With At-risk Students*. She has presented one and two day workshops for numerous schools and organizations in over sixty major cities as well as at hundreds of State and National conferences.



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### Keynote description

Do you find yourself feeling frustrated with your at-risk students? At-risk students tend to have a distinctive temperament and learning style, one often at-odds with the approach favoured by the teacher. Discover how to narrow this gap between you and your at-risk population by learning how to use their need to feel empowered and “in charge” and channel it in a positive direction—leading to responsibility and self-discipline. Learn how to develop character, resiliency, and emotional intelligence in students who “don’t want to be told what to do.” Learn how to handle disciplinary situations in ways which don’t result in power struggles and an escalation of the problem. Recapture your joy and enthusiasm for teaching by learning strategies and techniques for handling problems which don’t result in teacher stress and burnout!

### Entertainment

#### Dale Nikkel

Inspiring teachers with renewed passion for work and life.

Encouraging creative outlets for positive expression.

Refreshing educators with humour and fun.

Motivating teachers to find positive perspectives.

Dale’s songs have garnered acclaim from critics across North America.

He’s performed at some of Canada’s biggest folk festivals and shared the stage with some of North America’s greatest

songwriters including Murray McLaughlin, Eliza Gilkyson and The Barenaked Ladies’

Steven Page.



## Conference and Membership Information

### MASTARS membership fees with SAG conference

Full member ..... \$77.00  
(\$25 Membership + \$52 Conference)

### MASTARS SAG Conference Only

Non-Member ..... \$76.00

### MASTARS Membership Only

Full Member ..... \$25.00

### Refreshments

Continental breakfast, coffee and tea breaks, and served hot lunch are included in conference fees.

Sold out last year! No onsite registration!

### Please mail to our registrar

1. Your Completed Registration forms. Sorry, no half day registrations.
2. A Cheque or Money Order payable to M.A.S.T.A.R.S.
3. Indication if a vegetarian meal is required.

### Mail to:

M.A.S.T.A.R.S.  
c/o Susan Tozer  
Technical Vocational High School  
1555 Wall Street  
Winnipeg, MB R3E 2S5

Registrations received before November 1, 2008 will be entered into early bird draw for a Complimentary Membership (\$25.00).

### Recommended accommodation near conference

Club Regent Casino Hotel (Canad Inns)  
1415 Regent Avenue West  
1-888-332-2623

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