



Manitoba Association of Secondary Teachers
of At-Risk Students

Perspectives on the Marginalized Student

Part 2: Back by popular demand!

Rossmere Country Club, 925 Watt St.

Continental breakfast and sit-down lunch included!

During SAGE 2011, M.A.S.T.A.R.S members requested more sessions with Dr. Reece Malone and Dr. Ken McClusky. The 2012 SAGE planning committee listened to YOUR requests and we are pleased to offer two sessions that build on last years SAGE and share NEW practical information for educators working with youth at risk.

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Morning Session

Transgender and Gender Non-conforming Students in School Settings

Dr. Reece Malone, DHS, MPH, ACS

This session is ideal for teachers, guidance counsellors, education assistants, school trustees, educational consultants, and support staff including before and after school staff. This specific session addresses the following:

- Understanding sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression
- Recognizing and understanding the impact of homophobic, biphobic and transphobic bullying
- Intersections of sexism, racism, and class
- Recognizing personal bias
- Creating a gender inclusive school environment (environment, policy, curricula)
- Pedagogical approaches in education
- How to be more aware and inclusive of LGBTTTQ* issues
- Gender transition process in Manitoba

Dr. Reece Malone is the Education Program Coordinator of the Rainbow Resource Centre. Reece delivers specialized workshops and seminars on sexual orientation, gender identity, and comprehensive sexuality education in social services, education, health care and the corporate sector. Reece is an alumni from the University of Winnipeg with a degree in sociology, and was awarded a Masters in Public Health and a Doctoral in Human Sexuality from Institute for Advanced Study of Human Sexuality in San Francisco, California.

12:00–1:00 p.m. Lunch

Sit down, served lunch included with registration fee!

1:00–3:30 p.m. Afternoon Session

Reclaiming At-Risk Lost Prizes: Past, Present, and Future Initiatives (An abbreviated version of the new U of W course “Reclaiming Lost Prizes”)

Dr. Ken McCluskey

This session considers several made-in-Manitoba projects designed to identify and develop the talents of at-risk populations. In these undertakings, Creative Problem Solving (in combination with mentoring, career awareness, and other interventions) has been used successfully to reclaim talented but troubled high-school dropouts through the Lost

Prizes program, to turn around the lives of marginalized Aboriginal young people in Northern Lights, and to reduce the recidivism rate of inmates through Second Chance. Other local and international projects designed to support unengaged children and youth at risk for alienation, school failure, and gang involvement are also discussed. The emphasis throughout is on connecting with relationship-resistant students and awakening their dormant creative potential.

Dr. Ken McCluskey, Dean and Professor of Education at the University of Winnipeg, is known internationally for his work in several areas, including (1) mentoring; (2) attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder; (3) gifted education; and (4) at-risk children and youth (where his Lost Prizes and related projects serve as models world-wide for those interested in identifying and developing the talents of marginalized young people). Before becoming a Professor (in 1998), Associate Dean (in 2003), and Dean of Education (in 2005) at U of W, Ken had 25 years experience as a psychologist, special educator, and administrator in the public school system. He has received major program development, creativity, and publication awards from the Canadian Council for Exceptional Children, the International Centre for Innovation in Education, the World Council for Gifted and Talented Children, and Reclaiming Youth International (along with his institution's teaching, research, governance, and community service awards). A popular keynote and invited speaker, Ken has written well over 100 professional

articles and chapters, and is the author, co-author, or editor of 20 books, including *Understanding ADHD: Our Personal Journey*, *Lost Prizes: Talent Development and Problem Solving with At-Risk Populations*, *Mentoring for Talent Development*, and *Enriching Teaching and Learning for Talent Development*.

REGISTRATION

Sold out last year! Register early:
Limited seating!
Full day conference registration including continental breakfast and sit-down lunch!

Conference Fee

Includes M.A.S.T.A.R.S.

membership fee.....\$75

Non-members.....\$85

No half day registrations accepted.
No walk up registrations accepted.
Please mail completed registration form and full payment (please make cheques payable to M.A.S.T.A.R.S.) to:
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phone registrations accepted)
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Location

Rossmere Country Club
925 Watt Street
Winnipeg, MB R2K 2T4
Phone: 988-1530

Free Parking!

Please note: Registrations will not be processed until payment and completed registration form is received. Register by Sept 30th to be eligible for an early bird prize of a \$25 registration rebate at the 2012 conference. Hurry! Space is limited and there are no walk up registrations accepted. We sell out every year!