

Sixth Annual

NEBRASKA

Youth First
Conference

Western Region

April 4, 2013

9:00 - 2:30



WNCC-Harms Technology Center

2620 College Park

Scottsbluff, Nebraska

Presenters and Sessions for 2013 Conference:



Our Keynote Speaker

"Helping people gain a new perspective on ADD, being different, and overcoming adversity."

Listen to him speak and see him draw.

Ben Glenn (The Chalk Guy) will have promotional items for sale following the keynote address.



Read more about each session and choose your favorites . Then, get your information to your teacher. Registrations are due by Friday, March 15, 2013.

Student Name: _____

School: _____

Each Student will attend the Keynote Address. Following that, please select:

Select **(1)** of the following:

_____ **Solving a Mystery Using QR Codes** - There is a mystery to be solved and working in teams using iPods/iPads and hidden QR codes you will have to solve the mystery. Presented by: Assistive Technology Partnership Staff.

_____ **The Livescribe Smartpen...DVR For Your Brain!** Have you ever wanted to rewind your instructor because you totally missed the last 5 minutes (or even the last 30!)? Come learn about the 21st century computer-in-a-pen that levels the playing field for learners of all ages. You'll find out how the smartpen can reduce classroom learning anxiety by allowing you to capture digitally both notes AND audio during lecture time. We'll explore great study tools like talking flashcards, note review, talking study guides, interactive books and the benefit of repeated audio. Get hands-on with the Livescribe smartpen and see how this unique technology fosters independence at school, work, and in daily life. Presented by: Cathy Frank of Engaging Technologies

_____ **My Graduation Plan** – Using Moodle, meet JJ and Taylor, 2 students who have learning challenges. Begin making plans like they did to get out of high school and do what you want to do. This is just a start. You will complete this course back at your home high school. Presented by: Craig Hicks and Bill Moore.

Select **(2)** of the following:

_____ **I'm Stressed! What Can I Do?**- What is stress? What does stress do to you physically and mentally? What can you do to reduce and manage your stress? You will learn the answers to all these questions and have some fun with your friends. Don't stress out – Just be there!!! Presented by Nina Baker, PTI

_____ **Cross-Eyed and Cross—Let's Work It Out**- How do you handle conflict? This class takes a fun and interactive approach to learn more about your personal communication style during a conflict. Learn which style of handling conflict is appropriate for the situation at hand. Presented by: Jennifer Sibal, CAPWN

_____ **You Vote! You Rock!** - Individuals with disabilities have many rights when election time rolls around. Laws protect those rights so you have a voice! Come learn about your rights during local, state, and national elections! Presented by: Mindy Nepper, Disability Rights Nebraska

_____ **Taking Charge of MY LIFE!**- What's in Your Self-Advocacy Tool Box? Learn how to speak for yourself and take responsibility for your life. Know your rights and learn how to ask for help because you want it and need it. Presented by: Sherri Kelley, PTI

_____ **End Bullying Now!**- Words hurt! You have heard it before, but what can you do about it? We will look at damaging words like the "R" word, and learn ways to take action against this type of bullying. Students will have an opportunity to sign a pledge of respect ; making a commitment to make a difference. Presented by: Sharon Walker, Scottsbluff Public Schools

_____ **Piranha, Catfish, or Keeper???**- Navigating the tricky waters of online and face to face relationships. What does it take to make a relationship work? How do you know if the person you are getting to know is the real deal? When is it time to call it quits ? Learn the answers to these questions and more. Presented by: Lisa Peden, DOVES

_____ **Health=Wealth, You are in Control.** Making healthy choices is an investment in your future. Learn how to take control of your health and work with doctors and nurses as a young adult. Presented by: Ava Vardell and Janelle Moore, Student Nurses, UNMC

Special Instructions for Students with Developmental Disabilities:

All students will attend the Keynote – Ben Glenn. Following that experience, the program for students with Developmental Disabilities is as follows:

Student Name: _____ Age: _____

Cupcakes and Friendship:



Do you want a BFF?

Learn how to choose and make friends.

Learn some social skills and how to communicate with friends.

All of this, using cupcakes????? Presented by: Rita Skiles

AND

JOBS OLYMPICS—Students will compete for prizes in this competition. Students will be judged on quality and quantity of tasks performed which are required in many job assignments. Can you?



Assemble a product?

Wash a window?

Place Batteries in a Flashlight?

Fill a Salt Shaker?

Collate and Stuff an Envelope?

Wrap Silverware?

Fold T-Shirts for Store Shelf?

Wrap a Gift?

Personnel from Nebraska VR and HHS/Developmental Disabilities will serve as event judges. Awards Ceremony.