

CLEVELAND TEACHING FELLOWSHIP PRESENTS

# OFS SPRING CONFERENCE 2024

FINAL YEAR INTERNS

Thursday  
February 22, 2024  
9:00am - 4:00pm  
East Professional Center, Cleveland



Cleveland State  
University

Welcome to the

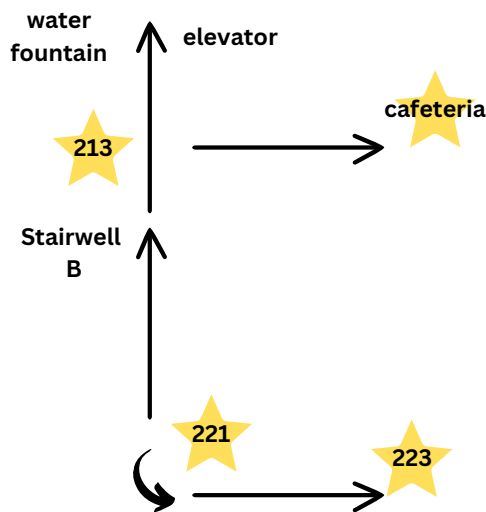
# OFS SPRING CONFERENCE

## All About Your Preparation

Thank you for joining us for this day of learning, networking and fun!

*Today is an opportunity for you to interact with District Administrators who are invested in your success. Take notes, ask questions, and engage in discussions. Use this as PRACTICE for the Career Fair on March 6th and your future interviews.*

### 2ND FLOOR MAP



Bathrooms are located on each floor.

Water refill station is near the elevator on the 2nd floor.

Sessions are located in rooms 213, 221, 223, and the Cafeteria.

ONLY use stairwell B or the Elevator, other stairwells require badge access.

Please complete your [Conference Survey](#) that will be emailed to you, by **February 29th** to be eligible to win a \$50 gift card.

# SCHEDULE

February 22, 2024

<b>8:30-9:00AM</b>	<b>REGISTRATION AND COFFEE</b> Room 221
<b>9:00-9:25AM</b>	<b>WELCOME</b> Room 221
<b>9:25-9:30AM</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>9:30-10:10AM</b>	<b>WORKSHOP #1</b> A: All About the Application - Cafeteria <b>PURPLE</b> B: All About the Resume - Room 213 <b>RED</b> C: All About the Interview - Room 223 <b>GREEN</b>
<b>10:10-10:15AM</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>10:15-10:55AM</b>	<b>WORKSHOP #2</b> A: All About the Application - Cafeteria <b>RED</b> B: All About the Resume - Room 213 <b>GREEN</b> C: All About the Interview - Room 223 <b>PURPLE</b>
<b>10:55-11:00AM</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>11:00-11:40AM</b>	<b>WORKSHOP #3</b> A: All About the Application - Cafeteria <b>GREEN</b> B: All About the Resume - Room 213 <b>PURPLE</b> C: All About the Interview - Room 223 <b>RED</b>
<b>11:45-12:40PM</b>	<b>LUNCH</b> Sponsored by Cleveland Teaching Fellowship - Room 221
<b>12:45-1:45PM</b>	<b>PRINCIPAL PANEL</b> Exploring Northeast Ohio Schools - Room 221
<b>1:45-2:00PM</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>2:00-3:45PM</b>	<b>AFTERNOON PRACTICE</b> A. Mock Interviews - Cafeteria B. Support Center - Room 213
<b>3:45-4:00PM</b>	<b>CONCLUSION</b> Room 221 Raffle <i>*must be present to win</i>

## WELCOME 9:00-9:25AM

### Room 221

**Title:** **Welcome** to the OFS Spring Conference. Today is *All About Your Preparation*.

**Presenters:** Courtney Nudell, Recruitment and Retention, Cleveland State University;  
Brittany Wampler, Director of Career Development & Exploration, Cleveland State University

## SPONSORS

### **Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD)**

The Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) is the second-largest public school system in Ohio, serving more than 36,000 students. Under The Cleveland Plan, a groundbreaking reform plan created by the community and written into state law, CMSD strives to ensure that every child receives a high-quality education, regardless of the provider. To that end, CMSD lets families choose which District schools their children attend, with options that include STEM, the arts, single-gender education, International Baccalaureate, Montessori and early college.

### **Cleveland Area Multicultural Educators Recruitment Association (CAMERA)**

Educational agencies in NE Ohio that seek to hire teachers who are sensitive and responsive to student needs in a culturally diverse school environment. The districts provide a range of teaching opportunities- large and small schools with diverse student bodies fostering strong community support. These districts offer competitive salaries and benefits. CAMERA is dedicated to working together to enhance diversity in our schools.

### **Cleveland Teaching Fellowship (CTF)**

CTF is a partnership between the Cleveland Foundation, Cleveland State University, and the Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD). This national award winning grant funded program engages highly qualified teacher candidates in paid practicum and student teaching experiences in select CMSD schools. With a national teacher shortage, CTF is creating a pipeline of strong teacher candidates committed to urban education, who will be considered for hire the following year. In the past 8 years, CTF has supported over 300 Fellows.



# MORNING WORKSHOPS

## 9:30-10:10AM, 10:15-10:55AM, & 11:00-11:40AM

Each timeslot will have three concurrent workshops. Please follow the TRACK that you have been assigned.

**RED  
TRACK**



*Adolescent Young Adult  
Middle Childhood  
World Language*

**GREEN  
TRACK**



*Early Childhood  
Pk-3 and Pk-5*

**PURPLE  
TRACK**



*SPED: MM, MI, ECIS  
DREAM  
Speech Language Pathology*

<b>Workshop #1</b> 9:30-10:10am	All about the Resume Room 213	All about the Interview Room 223	All about the Application Cafeteria
<b>Workshop #2</b> 10:15-10:55am	All about the Application Cafeteria	All about the Resume Room 213	All about the Interview Room 223
<b>Workshop #3</b> 11:00-11:40am	All about the Interview Room 223	All about the Application Cafeteria	All about the Resume Room 213

### **Title: All About the Application**

**Presenters:** Will Watts, Staffing Talent Coordinator, Cleveland Metropolitan School District; Paul Lombardo, Assistant Superintendent, Cleveland Heights University Heights City School District; Stacy Poole, Human Resource Specialist, Shaker Heights City School District

**Description:** You have decided that you want a job in education. Now what? Join our school partners as they discuss the teacher application process. When, where, and how to apply. Then engage in an opportunity to work on questions that may be on your application.

### **Title: All About the Resume**

**Presenters:** Shon Smith, Director of Educational Services, Nordonia Hills City Schools; Nellie Brown, Human Resource Specialist, Shaker Heights City School District; Gretchen Lawn, Consultant, ESC of Northeast Ohio

**Description:** Is your resume ready to share? Bring your current resume (or use the template provided) to detail why you are the best candidate. Highlight what you are doing inside and outside of the classroom to get noticed for the interview!

### **Title: All About the Interview**

**Presenters:** Brian Zeller, Chief Operating Officer, Olmsted Falls City Schools; JaTina Threat, Executive Director of School and Community Relations, Bedford City School District; Paul Elder, Director of Human Resources, East Cleveland City School District; Bill Miller, Director of Human Resources, South Euclid Lyndhurst City School District

**Description:** Learn how to present your best self in person! Join our school partners as they discuss the Dos and Don'ts of educational interviews. Work on your answers to commonly asked questions as you prepare for the afternoon mock interview session.

## LUNCH 11:45-12:40PM

### Room 221

#### Lunch

Take this opportunity to get to know other Interns! Grab your lunch from the Chipotle buffet and relax.

## PRINCIPAL PANEL 12:45-1:45PM

### Room 221

#### Title: **Exploring Northeast Ohio Schools**

**Presenters:** Heather Kama-Starr, Assistant Principal, Riverside School, CMSD; Khalisha Lewis, Principal, Bedford High School, Bedford City School District; Bryan Rudowski, Assistant Principal, Lee Eaton Intermediate, Nardon Hills City School District; Consuela Townsend, Principal, Kirk Middle School, East Cleveland City School District; Lennox Thompson, Principal, Alfred Benesch School, CMSD; Ashley Turner, Associate Principal, Nardon Middle School, Nardon Hills City School District

**Description:** Join our panel of from the greater Cleveland area as they discuss what makes their schools unique, what they are looking for in first year teachers, and how to prepare for your first teaching position.

## AFTERNOON PRACTICE 2:00-3:45PM

### Room: Cafeteria

#### Title: **Mock Interviews**

**Presenters:** Katie Breen, Nellie Brown, Noah Carlson, Paula Elder, Jacob Farrar, Mike Herstek, Heather Kama-Starr, Gretchen Lawn, David Lammert, Kristina Milia, Bill MillerSean Patton, Stacy Poole, LaWanda Smith, Juliana Tabor-Allchin, Bill Taylor, JaTina Threat, Adam Wallace, Will Watts, Brian Zeller

**Description:** Join up to 3 other interns in a 15-minute mock group interview to practice what you've learned. Take a 5 minute break and visit another table. All interns should plan to complete at least 3 interviews. We will keep track of time as you are asked common interview questions and receive immediate feedback.

### Room 213

#### Title: **Support Center**

**Presenters:** Aimee Furio, Gail Greenberg, Sharon Mitchell, Gail Nelson, Anne Price, Krista Shingary, Jene´ Wilson

**Description:** Stop by the Support Center to ask any questions regarding lesson planning, IEPs, EdTPA, time management, resumes, interview follow-up, and more.

## CONCLUSION 3:45-4:00PM

**Room:** 221

**Title:** Conclusion

**Description:** Join us as we wrap up the day. See if you won a raffle item .Winners must be present!

## NEXT STEPS



Wednesday, March 6  
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
Student Center Atrium,  
2nd Floor & 3rd Floor

Cleveland State University  
Career Development & Exploration Presents

CSU  
Career Development  
and Exploration

UNIVERSITY WIDE

CSU spring 2024

# CAREER FAIR

*Free!!*



Visit our CSU  
headshot photo booth  
in RW 280

# Thank You

**Interns** for spending your time with us,  
**Presenters** for your time and expertise,  
**Cleveland Teaching Fellowship** for your meal sponsorship,  
and **CSU & CMSD** Staff for hosting this Conference!

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