MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, February 27, 2020
Spartanburg Community College

11:30 – 11:55 AM   LUNCH, WELCOME, & CONTEXT
Meghan Smith, Savannah Ray, and Ron Fairchild

11:55 – 12:25 PM   SETTING THE STAGE FOR SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL)
Priscilla Little, Senior Consultant, The Forum for Youth Investment

12:25 – 1:25 PM    SEL, SCHOOL & OST ALIGNMENT
Dr. Susan Thomas, TDT Educational Consulting, LLC

1:25 - 1:35 PM     Q&A

1:35 – 2:00 PM     SUMMER SHAKEDOWN & CLOSE
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11:30 AM - 2 PM
SCC, Main Campus
Health Sciences Building
Community Room

Dr. Susan Thomas and Priscilla Little serve as keynote speakers for the
OST Collaborative’s 2020 Kick-off event
focusing on social-emotional learning as we build quality,
access, and support for the youth we serve.

Dr. Susan Thomas brings extensive experience in public school education in the classroom,
district, and South Carolina Department of Education settings, as well as leadership experiences from the Glen Forest School for students with disabilities and the Awsaj Academy in Doha, Qatar. She has served on South Carolina Council for Exceptional Children, and was a contributing author in Handbook of Leadership and Administration for Special Education.

Dr. Thomas has spent her career building effective instruction, positive behavior interventions and supports, and special education leadership. She has led work to implement strategies to building social emotional learning capacity across across all 7 Spartanburg County School Districts. Her presentation will focus on how OST providers can complement and build upon the work happening in our schools.

Priscilla M. Little is a Senior Consultant with the Forum for Youth Investment’s Big Picture Approach Consulting group, where she helps leaders understand and apply the science of learning and development to promote equitable learning environments. She has served as consultant for the Aspen Institute, working closely on coalition building for the National Commission on Social, Emotional, and Academic Development and oversaw The Wallace Foundation’s $15 million effort to assist nine cities in providing more high-quality afterschool programs through a coordinated systems approach.

The former Associate Director of the Harvard Family Research Project, Priscilla has been working in education and conducting educational research for more than 20 years, with a particular emphasis on research and evaluation to support and improve afterschool experiences.

Lunch will be provided
Please RSVP to Meghan Smith at msmith@learnwithsam.org