

25 Years



Announcing The 25th Annual INEPS Conference

April 6 - 10th at City-As-School, in New York City

The conference will bring together educators from across the globe to explore the possibilities for authentic learning grounded in real-world experiences.

INEPS is an international network of educators who come together through conferences and exchanges to share ideas and resources, develop new approaches, and reflect upon and evaluate programs within our home

schools. The changing Congress location allows participants to become deeply familiar with the work of one member organization.

Founded in 1972, as a part of the NYC Department of Education, City-As-School (CAS) stands as a leading model in experiential learning. Guided by the core values of freedom, trust, and responsibility, CAS reengages over six hundred 17-21 year olds most at-risk of dropping out. Each student, with the aid of an advisor and resource coordinator, self-

selects a schedule that combines a 15-20 hour per week internship with innovative in-house classes.

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International Network of Productive Learning Projects and Schools

INEPS is an international network that promotes "productive learning" – through activity and experience. Since 1990, this network has brought together educators from schools and programs across the globe in order to develop new approaches to experiential learning and refine existing ones by sharing experiences, practices, perspectives and resources.

since 1990

April 2013

2 - Day Conference for Local Attendees

5 Day Conference Includes all days

Saturday, 6th

Joins us at City -As-School for a dinner welcoming our international guests.

Sunday, 7th

Participants will build their own conference schedules using the City-As-School registration process and then participate in day-long intensives that offer a glimpse into authentic, real-world learning in New York City.

Monday, 8th

Participants will shadow City-As-School students on internships at organizations across New York City. A morning panel discussion with CAS students will introduce participants to the internship experience, and afternoon learning circles will engage participants in discussions regarding possible applications in their home schools.

Tuesday, 9th

Participants will have the opportunity to visit schools with innovative educational models that promote authentic, personalized learning throughout the New York City Public School system.

Weds, 10th

Participants will exhibit portfolios that highlight salient lessons, synthesize key ideas and approaches, and develop strategies for undertaking new projects through a public forum at City-As-School.

Program Information

International guests will join us for five full days of workshops, learning circles, site visits, and other activities intended to familiarize participant's with City-As-School's educational model.

Domestic guests will have the option of participating in the full five-day experience or joining us for a two-day intensive experience through which they can explore key aspects of City-as-School's educational model, including it's internship program, curricular and pedagogical approach, registration process, advisory system, and career and college program.

The 5 - day Conference Registration Fee Includes:

- * A 7-day unlimited ride subway pass for transportation
- * Opening ceremony, meal, and welcome packet
- * Closing ceremony, meal, and entertainment
- * Lunches for most of the days (except for the day at an internship site)
- * Coffee and snacks each day of the conference
- * Programs and printed materials
- * Rental fees and permits for conference spaces
- * Honorariums for guest speakers
- * Access to online "pre-conference" portal (videos, student testimonials, rubrics)
- * Scholarships for participants that can not pay the full cost.



Enjoy ALL that New York City has to offer.

Time is built in for our Conference Guests to take in the sites and sounds of the "City that Never Sleeps" and the opportunity to attend a Broadway Show*.

*optional event. Extra charge per guest will be charged.

Hotels and Accommodations *

* Home-Stays can be arranged with City As School Staff members. Please make sure to note this preference in your registration form.

Comfort Inn Chelsea

18 West 25th Street
212-645-3990

email:

GM.NY329@choicehotels.com

Contact person: Lauraine Chaitram

Special INEPS registration rate for a King Size bed (limited availability)

Larchmont Hotel

27 West 11th Street
212-989-9333

www.larchmonthotel.com

Shared facilities, breakfast included

\$90-\$109 Single
\$119-\$129 Double

Comfort Inn East Village

136 Ludlow Street
212-260-4141

www.lowereastsidehotel.com/

Very good value
\$150 + tax per night

Chelsea International Hostel*

251 West 20th Street
212-647-0010

www.chelseahostel.com

*Note this is a hostel and facilities are shared.



A "City-As" Student Snapshot

I came to City-As-School because I was about to drop out. I was behind in credits and didn't think I'd be able to graduate high school on time. My previous high school was over-crowded and the teachers didn't really seem to care if we showed up for class or not. When I did show up classes were boring and all we seemed to do was prepare for an end of year test. I wanted to give up. Thankfully, one of my friends told me about CAS.

City-As-School has honestly changed my life. I didn't know what to expect at first. It all sounded exciting but I was also a little nervous. On the first day of orientation I met my advisor who explained to me there was nothing to be afraid of here; that I was part of the family now! She helped me to read my transcript, figure out what credits I still needed, and together we made a plan that is helping me to graduate on time at the end of the year. During "Registration" I was able to sign up for classes that were really fun, such as the Mathematics of Fantasy Football and Social Issues in Zombie Films.

After looking through the Internship Manual I found so many different opportunities that I was interested in. The first resource I wanted to intern at was a Veterinarian in Midtown Manhattan. When I met with my Resource Coordinator, he told me that the site was already full. He asked me why I was interested in working with animals and after we talked for a few minutes, he set me up with an interview at the New York Aquarium. I was so excited because I loved going there when I was a kid.

Now, I wake up everyday wanting to go to school or to my internship. I never felt that way before. I've made some great new friends and really feel as if I will be ready for college and a career. I can't thank my City-As family enough.



Message from INEPS President, Angela Passa

Europe and the USA are leading nowadays a big political, economic, social crisis. Education is the vulnerable link of this chain. Our societies need another way of thinking to get out from this crisis. How can we, the educators create a better present and a sustainable future for our students and ourselves? How can Productive Learning help in this direction? How can the educators transform the teaching methods into learning processes? More than these questions will be discussed during the 25th INEPS Congress and we invite the educators from all over the world to join INEPS in N.Y.



Message from CAS Principal, Alan Y. Cheng

It is with great pride and excitement that we open the doors of City-As-School to our international and domestic colleagues. Having attended previous INEPS Conferences, I can speak to both the professional and personal growth that occurs when educators focused on experiential and productive learning come together in one setting to discuss, share, and collaborate.

We are aware it may be a long journey for many of you to come all the way to NYC. The staff at City-As-School is dedicated to hosting a conference that engages, stretches, and even challenges its participants. From the conference's innovative "un-conference" design to its "out of the classroom" experiences, we hope for this to be a once in a lifetime educational experience that is as transformational as it is fun. I look forward to welcoming you to City-As-School and the 25th Annual INEPS Conference in April!

Registration Information

Pricing

5 Day Package

Early Bird Registration Fee.... €300
(if registered before March 1st)
Regular Registration Fee..... €325

2 Day Domestic Package

Early Bird Registration Fee.... \$200
(if registered before March 1st)
Regular Registration Fee..... \$250

Registration

MUST be done ONLINE at
<http://ineps25th.cityas.org>

Airfare

JFK, Newark, and LaGuardia are the three major airports that serve New York City.

From airport to hotel:

*Shuttles into city costs around \$14 and go into several locations in Manhattan. Check with the airline or your hotel which shuttle to take and where to get off.

* Taxis are very expensive (\$30 from LaGuardia and \$60+ from JFK and Newark). Best if used if you are traveling in a group.

Contact

We are pleased to help you coordinate your registration and travel plans. Feel free to email INEPS25th@cityas.org with any questions or concerns.

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Sponsorships



Showcase your Brand to a unique audience of educators!

We are still looking for several Sponsors to help make the 25th INEPS Conference a huge success!

If you, or someone you know, is looking to support this incredible event, now is the time to act. We have several sponsorship opportunities available:

- * Event Sponsors - will receive recognition on all signage and billing as well as inclusion in all press and publicity related materials.
- * Dinner Sponsors - will receive recognition at our opening or closing dinners in front of our guests and have the opportunity to speak at the event.
- * Bag sponsors - will be acknowledge with their embroidered logo on our conference bags and will also be able to distribute flyers and other publications to our attendees.
- * Scholarship Sponsors - will provide affordable housing and airfare to international guests who would otherwise be unable to attend.
- * Program and Print Sponsors - will be acknowledged on all print materials for supporting the costs needed for their production.

Sponsorship Packages

Event Sponsors - \$5,000 - \$10,000

Dinner Sponsors - \$3,000 - 5,000

Bag Sponsors - \$3,000

Scholarship Sponsors - \$1,000 +

Program and Print Sponsors- \$1,000

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