

**Welcome! 2024 PA-NOSS Conference**  
**Theme: Cultivating a Community of Caring**  
**Penn State, Lehigh Valley**  
**Thursday, April 18th 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**8:15 a.m.** Check In/ Breakfast (Room 135)

**8:50 a.m.** Welcome (Room 135)

**9-9:55 a.m.** Morning Keynote (Room 135):

Trauma-Informed Approaches to Pedagogy ~ Dr. Nate Woods, Special Assistant to the President for Inclusion Transformation, Pennsylvania College of Technology

**10-10:55 a.m.** Concurrent Sessions:

(Room 311B) Instructional Practices that Convey Care ~ Christine M. Nowik, Ph.D., HACC

(Room 318) The Logic of Problem-Solving: Single or Married? Pedagogy for Developmental Mathematics – Mastering single units or marriage of many parts ~ Philip Aidoo, Harcum College

(Room 135) Navigating Mental Health and Personal Trauma While Balancing a Career ~ Karolyn DeMarco, Lackawanna College

**11-11:55 a.m.** Concurrent Sessions:

(Room 311B) Asking the Question: Off-Campus Food Insecurity ~ Jonathan Kadjeski, Kings College

(Room 318) Increasing Post Covid-19 Student Engagement, Social Relationships, and Academic Commitment through Collaborative Learning ~ Tiffany Bennett Ed.D., West Chester University

**12 p.m.** Lunch (Room 135)

Business Meeting

Recognitions

Awards: Award for Exemplary Teaching in Developmental Education

Award for Outstanding Contribution to PA-NOSS

Scholarships: Deborah L. Hartzell Academic Development Memorial Scholarship (2 recipients)

Institutional Scholarship Drawing

**1:30-2:25 p.m.** Concurrent Sessions:

(Room 311B) Historical, Racial, and Generational Factors of Trauma and Student Success ~ Sarah Bell, NCC, CCSP, Waynesburg University

(Room 318) Scaffolding Statistics: Real-World Data Projects with Streamlined Grading ~ Dr. Tamara Eyster, Ed.D., Nightingale College

(Room 135) The Impacts of Advising in the Classroom in the First-Year Seminar ~ Dr. Michael Levinstein, Shippensburg University

**2:30-3:25 p.m.** Afternoon Keynote (Room 135):

Building Communities of Care in Higher Education Using Trauma-Informed Practices ~

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Disability Advocate - Family Connections for Language and Learning

Director, Programing & Teacher Training – The Yoga Loft of Bethlehem

**3:30 p.m.** (Room 135) Basket Raffle