



# GENUINE PARTNERSHIP TO SUCCESS AND ASSOCIATES

P R E S E N T S

## GREAT EMPOWERED MINDS CONFERENCE

**A Social Emotional Enrichment Event Designed  
BY Educators FOR Educators!**

**August**  
**03 & 04**

**DoubleTree by Hilton Hotels Chicago**  
**5000 W. 127thSt  Alsip, Il 60803**

*\*Breakfast and lunch provided\**

*[Click here for hotel stay  
& shuttle information](#)*



### **Michelle Johnson**

- Chief Executive Officer, Genuine Partnership to Success (GPS)
- Author
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- School Support Specialist
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**GEM Administrators and Professional Training Conference**  
**August 3-4, 2022**  
**8:00 am- 4:00 pm**  
**DoubleTree by Hilton Hotels Chicago-Alsip Hotel**  
**5000 W. 127thSt ♦ Alsip, IL 60803**  
**Presented By**  
**Genuine Partnership To Success & Associates Inc**

### What is the GEM Program?

The **Great Empowered Minds (GEM)** is a 15-week social and emotional learning (SEL) curriculum that is designed to support and help every student discover his/her value, worth and purpose. When implemented in various educational settings, (i.e., youth programs, After School, Homeschool, Restorative Justice, Summer Bridges, juvenile detention, and transitional) the whole person can thrive by improving his/her social-emotional competence. This ultimately equals success for the student.

### What Makes the GEM Curriculum Format Unique from Other SEL Programs?

The **GEM** curriculum is a “one-stop-shop” for literacy including its embedded vocabulary, brief extended constructed responses, and collaborative learning approaches. Unlike other SEL programs, the **GEM** curriculum provides a well-rounded, cross-curricular approach each week, and students have multiple opportunities to represent their understanding of the five (5) competencies of the CASEL framework: *self-awareness, self-management, social awareness,*

*responsible decision making, and relationship building* in different formats. Other SEL programs only explore surface-level applications of SEL competencies, however, the **GEM** curriculum tackles hard-hitting concepts that help students understand how their decisions affect their relationships with others, their personal development, and their future aspirations. The curriculum incorporates subjects such as bullying (cyberbullying), peer pressure, vaping/drug use, fighting, etc. Students will also participate weekly in collegial discussions, debates, engage in collaboration, group work activities, make cross-curricular connections with Restorative Justice practices, and Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS). All content and activities are relevant to students’ daily lives--home, school, and community.

Our trainers are the best professionals at delivering content by providing research-based techniques and strategies to teachers, school counselors, school psychologists, social workers, group leaders, and parents/guardians.



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TRAINERS

## Wednesday, August 3

7:30 to 8:15 a.m. Check-in and breakfast  
8:15 to 9:00 a.m.

- Introductions
- General review of the GEM program
- Review of the program curriculum

### SESSION 1

9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

- Understanding who you are and what role your identity plays in how you view yourself.
- What is Your Growth Mindset?

10:30 to 10:40 a.m. **Break**

### SESSION 2

10:45 to 12:00 p.m.

- Benefits of building healthy relationships and friendships
- Understanding and demonstrating Cultural Competency

**LUNCH** -12:00 to 12:45 p.m.

### SESSION 3

12:45 to 2:15 p.m.

- The importance of remaining calm in stressful situations
- Choosing positive behaviors despite the negative actions of others
- Managing the angry child

2:15 to 2:30 p.m. **Break**

### SESSION 4

2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

- Parking Lot Discussion: *Self-Awareness, Relationship Building and Self-Managing*
- Wrapping up the Day

## Thursday, August 4

7:30 to 8:15 a.m. Check-in and breakfast  
8:15 to 9:00 a.m. **Keynote Speaker**

### SESSION 4

9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

- Understanding other people thoughts and feeling
- Showing empathy and compassion for others

10:30 to 10:40 a.m. **Break**

### SESSION 5

10:45 to 12:00 p.m.

- Decision Making: *Avoiding Irrational and Impulsive Decisions*

**LUNCH** -12:00 to 12:45 p.m.

### SESSION 6

12:45 – 1:30 p.m.

- Table Talk

### SESSION 7

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

- Panel Discussion

2:30 to 2:40 p.m. **Break**

### SESSION 8

2:40 – 3:30 p.m.

- Implementing the GEM program
- Debriefing

### SESSION 9

3:30pm – 4:00 p.m.

- GEM facilitator certification process
- Workshop post-evaluation
- GEM certificate of completion

## REGISTER NOW

## Registration DEADLINE is August 1, 2022

For quick and easy online registration, click the link below

Register Now! Seats are limited! 

**GEM TRAINING**

*Groups of 5 or more receive a 10% discount!*

Registration fee is \$497.95 for the two-day training.

### Fee includes:

- 2-Day Training
- Breakfast and Lunch
- Snacks and Refreshments
- GEM resources with:
  - ✓ Program Materials
  - ✓ The Pre and Post Test Instrument
  - ✓ Sample Instructional Lessons from the GEM 15 –week Program
  - ✓ Take Away Activities from CASEL 5-Modules
- Networking with other professionals
- GEM Certificate of Completion

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Professionals and organizations working with children and young Adults:

- Case managers
- Aftercare workers
- School counselors
- Educators
- Law enforcement personnel
- Homeschool facilitators
- Mental health workers
- Restorative justice facilitators
- School psychologists
- Social workers
- Other related fields

## CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Support at [gem@gpspartnership.com](mailto:gem@gpspartnership.com)

## CANCELATION POLICY

80% of training fees will be refunded if cancelled 72 hours prior to the conference. No refund will be made after that time or after the conference.

# ABOUT CEO



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

## *Michelle Johnson*

- ✓ *Chief Executive Officer, Genuine Partnership to Success (GPS)*
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Michelle D. Johnson is the Director of Education for the 6th Region Global Chamber of Commerce and a certified national and international speaker for the Center for Teacher Effectiveness. She is the Chief Executive Officer of Genuine Partnership to Success & Associates Inc., an educational consultant, licensed minister, author of an interactive workbook series for family and community development and a certified master trainer for the ACT Raising Safe Kids Program, developed by the American Psychological Association. In her role as CEO, she professionally trains and assists school districts, parents, and community members with one goal in mind: to ensure the success of all students at all ages.

Michelle is a seasoned teacher and administrator with twenty-seven years of experience at elementary and secondary grade levels. Her leadership role continually centers around serving as an exemplary leader. She also possesses extensive expertise in program design, administration, and professional development. Michelle was nominated for and awarded "Who's Who Among America's Teachers" honors in 2002 and 2004 and secured her place in the archives; she was also honored as "Spectacular Teacher of the Year, 2000" at Seton Academy High School. In 2016, Michelle received the Global Leadership Award from ICHANGE Nations in recognition of her exemplary leadership to empower all mankind. Further achievements include being nominated for and receiving the Professional Organization of Women of Excellence Recognized (P.O.W.E.R.) Award in 2018.



## *K.J. Rose*

KJ Rose is a dynamic energizing motivational speaker. She can be seen sharing her expertise on WGN America, NBC's News Now, Bloomberg News, and NBC's California Live. Additionally, she has worked on shows that include Saturday Night Live, The VOICE, The Grammy Awards, MTV's Video Music Awards, BET Awards, Amazon Music Holiday Plays, American Music Awards, "The Tonight Show" starring Jimmy Fallon, and "The Ellen DeGeneres Show."

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