

SCHOLARS OF PEACE

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“Scholars of Peace After-School Program”

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Welcome to Nollie Jenkins Family Center's
2014 Scholars of Peace

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Student Workbook

Scholars of Peace Institute Syllabus

Community Service Learning for Social Change!

S-o-P Institute Syllabus

Welcome!



I Am
A Scholar of Peace ...

I carry truth, justice, and wisdom with me
Lending my hand across the land
Inciting peace wherever I stand.
For I am rooted with the wisdom of Kings and Queens
I am a gift to civilization, seeking elevation for the highest education
From Ancient Egypt to Mali extending through Greece,
I am a Scholar of Peace.

I am a positive force within my home, school and community
Standing with my peers to encourage
mediation, hope and unity.
Since I represent those who
were part of creating a solution,
I do not want
violence, bullying or deviance
to be my pollution.

Yes, I AM A

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OF
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**NJFC SCHOLARS OF PEACE
PEER MEDIATION TRAINING INSTITUTE
“Retreat Agenda”**

**March 13 -16, 2014
Leroy Percy State Park
Hollandale, MS 38748**

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- I. THURSDAY, 6:00 – 10:00 P.M.**
WORKSHOP #1 - WELCOME/INTRODUCTION/DINNER/ORIENTATION
 - A. From Ancient Egypt to Timbuktu & Beyond – A Review
 - a. African-Centered Models of Dispute Resolution
 - b. The Virtues of a Scholar of Peace
 - B. The Art & Craft of Peer Mediation: Alternative Solutions for Countering Disputes and Violence– The Value of Peer Mediation in Holmes County, MS
 - a. Peer Mediation as a Program: School &/or Community-Based Options
 - b. Peer Mediation as a Process: Steps/Procedures/Skills/Values
 - c. Local Needs/Local Realities: The Pendulum of Violence in Holmes County, MS
- II. FRIDAY, 9:00 – 12:00 NOON,**
WORKSHOP #2 - THE ART & CRAFT OF PEER MEDIATION, B: POINTS OF DEPARTURE
 - A. Beginning a Peer Mediation Session - How Shall We Introduce Ourselves?
 - B. Telling Our Own Stories in Crises Situations – Why Do We Tend to Disagree? A Note on Perceived Realities
- III. FRIDAY, 12:00 – 1:45 P.M. LUNCH BREAK!**
- IV. FRIDAY, 2:00 – 5:00 P.M.**
WORKSHOP #3 - THE ART & CRAFT OF PEER MEDIATION, C: UNDENIABLE TRUTHS WE BARE
 - A. Summarizing Key Facets of the Dispute: The Art of Listening, Note-taking and Neutrality
 - B. Searching for Preliminary Alternatives: Vantage Points of Victimization
- V. FRIDAY, 5:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M., DINNER BREAK!**
- VI. FRIDAY, 8:00 – 10:00 P.M., ROUNDTABLE – THE VIRTUES OF A SCHOLAR OF PEACE**
- VII. SATURDAY, 9:00 – 12:00 NOON**
WORKSHOP #4 - THE ART & CRAFT OF PEER MEDIATION, D: BALANCING THE SCALES OF JUSTICE
 - A. Weighing the Cost & Implications of Alternative Solutions: Beyond the “Winners” & “Losers” Syndrome
 - B. Adopting a Solutions: Keys to Restoring a Reasonable Balance & Peace
- VIII. SATURDAY, 12:00 – 1:45 P.M. LUNCH BREAK!**
- IX. SATURDAY, 2:00 – 5:00 P.M.**
WORKSHOP #5 - THE ART & CRAFT OF PEER MEDIATION, E: TOWARDS TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE
 - A. Verbal & Written Peer Agreements
 - B. Memo & Signed Peace Accord
 - C. Follow-up Procedures
- X. SATURDAY, 5:00 – 7:45 P.M. DINNER BREAK!**
- XI. SATURDAY, 8:00 – 10:00 P.M. ROUNDTABLE: WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE, PART I – Program Options**
- XII. SATURDAY, 10:00 P.M. – 12:00 MIDNIGHT, CELEBRATION!**
- XIII. SUNDAY, 9:00 – 10:30 A.M., BRUNCH ROUNDTABLE: WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE, PART II – Process Options**
- XIV. SUNDAY, 11:00 A.M. DEPARTURE!**
- XV. SCHOLARS OF PEACE CERTIFICATION CEREMONY: DATA/TIME/LOCATION – TBA!**
 - A. Mock Public Presentation/Competency Demonstration
 - B. Certification Ceremony
 - C. Community Celebration