



Check & Connect

A comprehensive student engagement intervention

Join us

Check & Connect Mentor Training is a 2-day competency-based training designed to provide participants with information, competencies, and skills needed to be an effective **Check & Connect mentor** at their local site.

Participants in this training will learn and understand —

- The core components and elements of Check & Connect
- The role and expectations of the Check & Connect mentor
- The population of students they are mentoring and how to best meet their needs
- How to implement the "Check" and "Connect" procedures with fidelity
- The competencies and skills needed to be an effective mentor, including, but not limited to: building relationships with students, families, and school personnel; using data to determine interventions; reflective listening; problem-solving; and engaging with families.

About Check & Connect

Check & Connect is an intervention designed to enhance student engagement at school and with learning for marginalized, disengaged students in grades K-12, through relationship building, problem solving and capacity building, and persistence. For information on Check & Connect and its research basis, visit <http://checkandconnect.umn.edu>.

Who should attend

This training is designed for those assigned the role of Check & Connect mentor, whether a new or current mentor, as well as those interested in Check & Connect mentoring principles and practices. Site coordinators and administrators are encouraged to attend as well.

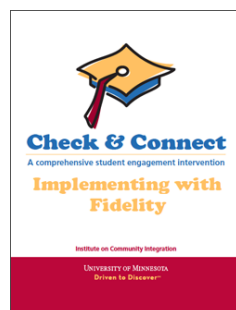
Mentor Training

August 7-8, 2013

Minneapolis, MN

Registration deadline: Thursday, July 11

Check & Connect Manual



Participants receive a copy of the 2012 edition of the Check & Connect implementation manual. This manual builds on the experience and continuing research of the past 21 years to offer users an expanded guide that incorporates new findings about the model. It walks users through the Check & Connect implementation process, outlining the key components, describing the steps to implementation, and presenting the underlying theory and research, including the four types of student engagement (academic, behavioral, cognitive, and affective), and the importance of intervening both directly with students and indirectly through enhancing students' home and school contexts. Additionally, the 2012 manual provides guidance on options for implementing Check & Connect with fidelity to its principles and strategies, while also responding to local school and community contexts. Value: \$50.00

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Cost

Early Bird Price: \$545 (if registering by June 27, 2013)

Standard Price: \$595 (register by July 11, 2013)

Participants will receive a copy of the Check & Connect manual, printed resource materials, access to electronic implementation forms, and continental breakfast and lunch for both days of the training.

Location

To be held at the University of Minnesota, Education Sciences Building (room 325), 56 East River Rd., Minneapolis, MN.

Training runs from 9:00am - 4:00pm on both days, however please arrive at 8:30am. It is essential for training participants to be present from start to finish on each day of the training. **Casual dress.**

Agenda

Available at checkandconnect.umn.edu.

Travel and lodging

Participants are responsible for their own travel and lodging arrangements. Cost of travel, lodging, and additional meals are not covered by the registration fee. Nearby lodging options (no discounted room rate):

University Hotel, Minneapolis (formerly the Radisson), 615 Washington Ave SE, Minneapolis. Call 612-379-8888 or 1-800-822-6757.

Holiday Inn Express Minneapolis-Metrodome, 1500 Washington Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55454, 612-333-4646

Days Hotel on University, 2407 University Ave SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414, 612-623-9303



Register online

checkandconnect.umn.edu

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To register

Register online at checkandconnect.umn.edu (see link to this specific training). We accept credit card, check, and purchase order payments. Group registration is available if registering more than one person.

If paying by check or purchase order (PO):

- Make payable to "The Regents of the University of Minnesota"
- Obtain check or PO number and billing contact name and phone prior to registering
- If your organization is tax exempt, include a copy of the exemption certificate with your materials.
- Upon registering, print registration confirmation and mail with payment (and certificate, if applicable) to:
Check & Connect Training
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6 Pattee Hall, 150 Pillsbury Drive SE
Minneapolis, MN 55455
- If paying by PO, all materials may emailed or faxed to the attention of Gretchen Hatch at checkandconnect@umn.edu or 612-624-9344 (fax).
- **Payment must be received by July 11, 2013.** If you are uncertain this deadline can be met, you must contact us to make arrangements. Your registration will not be complete until billing has been arranged.

Register early as space is limited.

Special needs

Please indicate any special needs on your registration, including dietary restrictions. Training materials are available in alternate formats upon request.

Refund policy

If you cancel your registration on or before July 15, 2013, you will receive a refund of your payment minus a \$100 administrative fee. Note that if you are not able to attend, you may substitute another person to attend by editing your registration online. If you cancel your registration after July 15, 2013, you will not be refunded.

Questions?

Check & Connect at U of MN

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