

2024 WIDA Annual Conference Proposal Submission Instructions – Concurrent Sessions

1. **Title** (Titles longer than 10 words will be shortened.)

2. **Session Audience:** Select the intended audience and level of familiarity for your session.
Remember to save your work often!

- Intended audience
 - Prekindergarten-3
 - Elementary School
 - Middle/High School
 - Higher Education
 - Administrative Leadership
- Audience level of familiarity
 - Level 1- Building and Deepening Awareness: these sessions provide introductory information on a topic
 - Level 2- Advancing Understanding: these sessions assume participants come with prior knowledge of the topic

3. **Session Description:** Tell us about your session. This may include: What content will your session include? What are you excited about? How is your session innovative in the field of educating multilingual learners? What will educators walk away with? (maximum 600 characters)

4. **Audience Engagement:** The conference will be balanced with sessions that are interactive and informative (lecture style). List and describe how you intend to engage the audience (activities, group work, etc.) Be detailed in your explanation to support the selection committee in decision-making (maximum 600 characters).

5. **Learning Objectives:** List up to three intended learning objectives that describe what participants will know, be able to do, and/or how they might apply their learning as a result of attending the session (Maximum of 400 characters).

6. **Session Alignment:** Check all applicable WIDA value(s) your session aligns to.

- Can Do Philosophy
- Collaboration
- Innovation
- Service
- Social Justice

Describe how the presentation is significant to conference attendees and how it supports WIDA's purpose to advance academic language development and academic achievement for linguistically diverse children and students (maximum of 600 characters).

7. Proposal Topic Area: Select the topic that best applies to your session.

- a. Social Justice and Equitable Opportunities
- b. Family and Community Engagement
- c. Bi/Multilingual Education
- d. Assessment and Multilingual Learners
- e. Professional Learning in Schools and Districts
- f. Specific Populations of Multilingual Learners
- g. Pre-K-3rd Grade
- h. Effective Instructional Practices
- i. Implementation of the WIDA ELD Standards Framework
- j. Program Administration and Policy

For Effective Instructional Practices Submissions Only:

If your proposal addresses a specific content area, identify that below:

- Math
- Science & Engineering
- English Language Arts
- Social Studies

8. Language: What language will this presentation be delivered in?

9. Research and/or Resources: Please list any research, reliable resources, or books that have influenced your session. We do not need full citations, but if your session is accepted you will need to include a full reference in your Powerpoint presentation (maximum 600 characters).

10. Description for the Online Program: Include a description for the online program page and conference app. Participants use this to choose their sessions. Include a 3 or 4 sentence description of what the session will address. This description often includes the content, learning, and ways participants may use the information (maximum of 500 characters). View the sample proposal for an example.

11. **Role:** I am a(n):

- ☐ Active or Retired Teacher/Educator:
Presentations should focus on your work and may not include any endorsements of specific products or services available on the market.
Note: Educators *representing commercial entities should select Consultant*
- ☐ Nonprofit Organizations or Government Agency Employee:
Presentations should focus on resources that are freely available and which would not require any additional fees to access.
- ☐ Consultant/Employee of an Education Services Company Presenting **with** school/district employee:
Presentations should focus on free tools, strategies, and/or school/district implementation. No advertising or selling of services is allowed.
- ☐ Consulting/Education Services Company Presenting **without** school/district employee. Presentations should focus on free tools, strategies, and/or school/district implementation. No advertising or selling of services is allowed.
Note: If accepted, a \$250 charge will be due with primary presenter's registration.

12. **Presenter(s) Expertise:** Describe all presenters' experience and background related to the topic of your presentation (maximum of 700 characters).

13. **Presenter Video/Links:** Include links to your website and/or any YouTube/ Vimeo/TED Talks, etc.

14. **Statement of Intent:** Submission of this proposal signifies your agreement to the below statement of intent:

If this proposal is accepted, I/ we agree to register for the conference at the presenter registration rate and provide handouts for the session. I agree to cite all appropriate sources and get permission with regard to the materials used in the session, and I agree to adhere to WIDA's policy prohibiting commercialism in presentations. Furthermore, I understand that if this proposal is accepted, I will be responsible for notifying my co-presenters regarding the status of the proposal, as well as the date, time, and location of the presentation.