**Tallahassee, Florida**

**ACTIVELY ENGAGING YOUR STUDENTS WHILE BUILDING A CARING COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS**

Presented by: Mara Sapon-Shevin, Ph.D.  Hosted by: FSU CARD and FDLRS

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**March 23, 2015**

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm (EST)

Registration begins at 12:00 pm

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**About the Presenter**

**Mara Sapon-Shevin** is Professor of Inclusive Education at Syracuse University where she prepares teachers to be inclusive teachers and works to support inclusion in schools. Her areas of focus include teaching for social justice and strategies for challenging racism, homophobia, and ableism. She coordinates a project called Creating Safe and Peaceful Schools that works to prevent bullying in schools and establish loving caring school communities. Mara has worked on inclusion issues internationally, including in Australia, New Zealand, England, Spain, Malta, Finland, South Africa, and Chile. She is currently working on an anti-bullying curriculum and field-testing it in schools in Chile. She is proud that she does all of her work there in Spanish! Her books include *Widening the Circle: The Power of Inclusive Schools*, *Because We Can Change the World: Practical Strategies for Creating Cooperative, Inclusive Classrooms*; and *(with Diana Lawrence-Brown)* *Condition Critical: Key Principles for Equitable and Inclusive Education.*

**Training Description**

**Target Audience:** educators, school staff, professionals and parents

This workshop focuses on ways to actively engage students while creating a truly inclusive classroom environment. Community building, dealing with exclusion, ending bullying, and establishing a positive social climate will be addressed using music, movement, children’s literature, and interactive activities. The workshop is geared toward teachers, support staff, and community educators.

**Training Objectives**

Participants will:

- Be able to describe three ways to build an inclusive classroom community.
- Describe two strategies for dealing with bullying and exclusion in the classroom.
- Be able to explain how children’s literature can be used to teach students to stop bullying and become active allies to those who are experiencing teasing or exclusion.

**Registration Information:**

**REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY**

DEADLINE: March 18, 2015

Limited to first 80 participants

Register online at [www.doepartnership.org/trainings.html](http://www.doepartnership.org/trainings.html)

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**Directions:**

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