

# Reclaiming Youth Seminars Conference Schedule

Augustana University, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, July 17-19, 2025

## Thursday, July 17

- 7:30AM Registration Opens [Outside of Froiland Science Complex Auditorium, FSC113]  
*Breakfast is on your own before the 8:30 AM start time.*
- 8:30AM Reclaiming Youth Conference Begins
- 8:30-8:45 Welcome [Froiland Science Complex, FSC113]  
*Mark Freado, MA, Director, Growing Edge Training, Westerville, Ohio*
- 8:45-9:30 Tanyán Yahí  
*Martin Brokenleg, EdD, Professor Emeritus, Victoria, British Columbia*
- 9:30-10:30 Building Cultures of Respect in a Polarized World  
*Larry Brendtro, PhD, Director, Resilience Resources, Lennox, South Dakota*
- 10:30-11:00 Refreshment Break
- 11:00-12:00 Reclaiming Organizations: A Framework for Creating Cultures of Respect  
*Vikki Hennard, PhD, Independent Behavior Consultant & Trainer, Warren, Michigan*
- 12:00-1:00 Lunch
- 1:00-2:00 The Courage of Camp  
*Nick Jackson, MA, Instructor of Education, Augustana University, Sioux Falls, South Dakota*  
*Ashton Jensen and Noelle Gunderson, students, Augustana University*
- 2:00-3:00 Supporting the Inherent Quality of Resilience  
*Mark Freado, MA, Director, Growing Edge Training, Westerville, Ohio*
- 3:00-3:30 Refreshment Break
- 3:30-4:30 Reclaim Yourself!  
Using the Circle of Courage as a Model for Yourself and Your Team  
*Bridget Calfee, MSW, Bridget Calfee Consulting LLC, Portland, Oregon*
- 4:30-6:00 Reception at the Augustana Center of Western Studies [Center for Western Studies]  
*Meet other participants and explore the rich collection of Native American and other artifacts from the peoples who populated the Great Plains. Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be provided.*

## Friday, July 18, 2025

8:30-9:30 Back to the Future: Holding On to What Matters

*Steve Van Bockern, EdD, Director, Schools That Matter, Sioux Falls, South Dakota*

9:30-10:30 The Reclaiming Youth Centennial: Discovering Lost Truths

*Larry Brendtro, PhD, Director, Resilience Resources, Lennox, South Dakota*

10:30-11:00 Break

11:00-12:00 Reclaiming the Well Family

*Martin Brokenleg, EdD, Professor Emeritus, Victoria, British Columbia*

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-2:00 Risk and Response: Working Amidst the Trauma of Others

*Kari McCluskey, MA, Coordinator, Vicarious Trauma and Resilience Initiative, Resilia Community Wellness Centre, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada*

2:00-3:00 Restorative Discipline: Connect and Redirect, Good from Bad

*Mindy Guthrie, MA, Administrator, Langley School District, British Columbia*

3:00-3:30 Refreshment Break

3:30-4:30 Resilience and the Sweetgrass People

*Anna Brokenleg, MAEd, Instructional Coach, Office of Native Education, Sioux Falls South Dakota Public Schools*

## Saturday, July 19, 2025

8:30-9:30 Purpose, Passion, Power: Reach Them - Teach Them

*Mark Freado, MA, Director, Growing Edge Training, Westerville, Ohio*

9:30-10:30 Transforming Minds, Empowering Students & Families

Nurturing Healthier Humans for Enhanced Life Outcomes

*Susan Jones, MEd, Broome-Tioga BOCES (Boards of Cooperative Educational Services), Binghamton, New York*

10:30-11:00 Break

11:00-12:00 The Circle of Courage: A Lifespan Approach to Social Work Practices

*Nic Brokenleg, CSW-PIP, QMHP, Caregiver Support Coordinator, Sioux Falls VA Hospital and Annie Brokenleg, MSW, CSW, State Juvenile Diversion Coordinator, Sioux Falls, South Dakota*

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-2:00 Tókša Aké

*Martin Brokenleg, EdD, Professor Emeritus, Victoria, British Columbia*

2:30 PM Opening of the Circle/Conference Ends