



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.

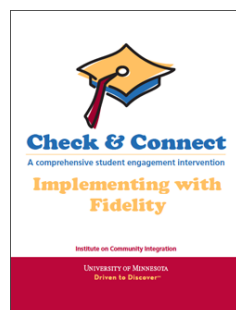
Mentor Training

March 9-10, 2016

Houston, TX

Register by Wednesday, February 17

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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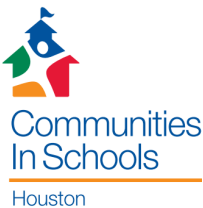
Cost

\$575 per participant (register by February 17, 2016).

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 Chapelwood United Methodist Church, 11140 Greenbay, Houston, TX 77024 (free parking available on-site). Training runs from 8:00am - 3:30pm on both days. It is essential for training participants to be present from start to finish on each day of the training. **Casual dress.**



Hosted by Communities In Schools - Houston

We'd like to thank Communities In Schools - Houston for partnering with Check & Connect at the Institute on Community Integration to host this training. All are welcome to register!

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.

The [Houston Hobby Airport](#) is approximately 15.7 miles from the Chapelwood United Methodist Church and [George Bush Intercontinental Airport](#) is approximately 18.2 miles from the training site.

Lodging options near the training site include the following (there is no special room rate at these locations):

- [Westin Hotel Memorial City](#)
- [Courtyard Marriott](#)
- [Houston Marriott Westchase](#)



Register online

checkandconnect.umn.edu

Register by Feb. 17, 2016

To register

Register online at checkandconnect.umn.edu. We accept payment by credit card or purchase order. Group registration is available.

If paying by purchase order (PO):

- Make PO payable to *The Regents of the University of Minnesota*.
- Obtain PO number and billing contact information prior to registering (this is required in registration).
- If your organization is tax exempt, include your tax-exempt ID when registering and a copy of the exemption certificate with your materials.
- Email or fax registration confirmation with a PO (and tax exempt certificate, if applicable) to:
Melissa Critchley, checkandconnect@umn.edu,
612-624-9344 (fax)
- *You will receive an invoice with payment instructions. Payment is due upon receipt of invoice.*

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 2/24/16, 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 2/24/2016, you will not be refunded.

Questions?

Check & Connect at U of MN

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