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## Conference Location



The Capital Area Intermediate Unit (CAIU) conference center is located in Summerdale, PA, directly across the river from Harrisburg. Easy access via I-81: Use Enola/Marysville Exit to Route 11/15 South. Turn right at first traffic light onto Valley Road. Turn right immediately onto First street. Proceed 3/10 mile and turn right onto Miller Street. Turn right into the CAIU driveway.



## AEE Mission Statement

The mission of the Association for Experiential Education (AEE) is to develop and promote experiential education. The association is committed to supporting professional development, theoretical advancement, and evaluation of experiential education worldwide.

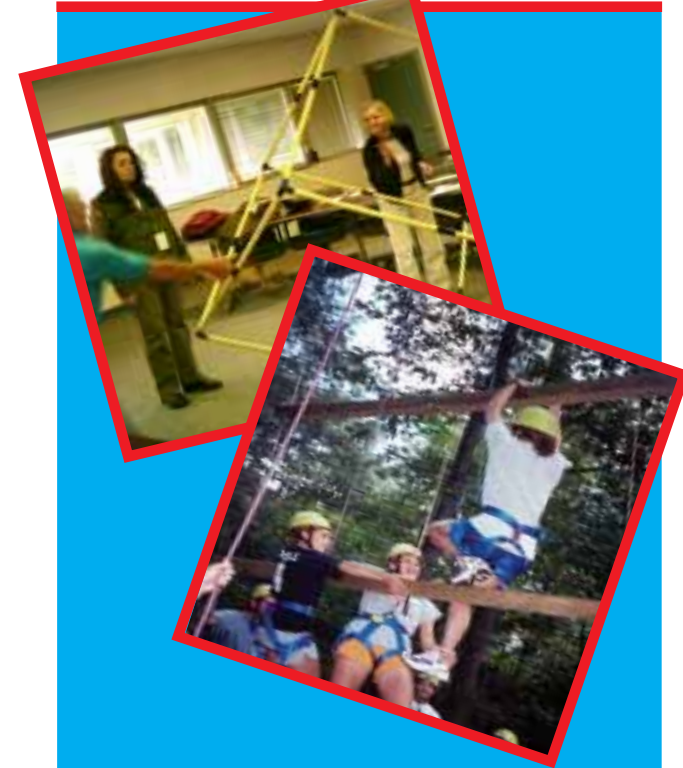
### AEE Diversity Statement

AEE does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, physical ability, or professional affiliation in matters of employment or application for membership.



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## Experiential Learning...



## Association for Experiential Education Mid-Atlantic Region 19th Annual Conference

**April 11-13, 2008**

Hosted By  
**CAPITAL AREA INTERMEDIATE UNIT**  
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# Experiential Learning...Inside and Outside

## —Mid-Altantic Region Conference—

The theme of this year's conference is **EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING - INSIDE AND OUTSIDE**. The conference will take place over the weekend of April 11-13, 2008 in the Harrisburg, PA area. Join us and explore experiential/cooperative learning and its many levels and uses *inside* and *outside* of the classroom.

--The conference presents workshops on the various aspects of experiential learning and will provide an opportunity to network with students, researchers and practitioners from central Pennsylvania and neighboring states.

--Workshops will be suitable for all levels of involvement, including students, people new to experiential education and skilled practitioners. Workshops include school-based applications, outdoor learning, therapeutic interventions, adventure-based learning, using games, training and development and specific skill areas. Participants who are Pennsylvania certified educators also will be able to receive Act 48 credit hours for attending this conference.

--This conference will be a valuable source for training, resources and networking for teachers, counselors, trainers, group and challenge course facilitators, outdoor instructors, therapists, environmental educators...anyone who facilitates the development of others.

--They Keynote Address and a Conference Workshop will be presented by **Laurie Frank**, author of **Journey Towards the Caring Classroom**.



*"A master can tell you what he expects of you. A teacher, though, awakens your own expectations."*

--Patricia Neal



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## ———— Keynote Speaker ————

### Laurie Frank

*"Traditionally, our role as educators has been to impart knowledge to our students, the assembly line approach to school/education. This has meant a passive education, with youth sitting at desks while a teacher pours facts into their heads which are attached to bodies that can't wait to get out of there."*

--Laurie Frank



**Laurie Frank** is a former public school teacher who has worked in the adventure and experiential education arenas for 25 years.

Laurie is the owner/director of GOAL Consulting, working with school districts, camps and nonprofit organizations around the country to create environments where students, faculty, staff and families are invited into the educational process. She also helps schools develop experiential education curriculum for children and young adults.

At this time, her main projects include working with the Wisconsin Leadership Institute to develop a Collaborative Leadership Curriculum for high school students, the City of Chicago to develop and implement standards for youth programming, and collaborating with K-12 Associates to develop a three-year antiviolence process for schools through the creation of a climate of respect.

Laurie has authored books, including **Journey Toward the Caring Classroom** and **The Caring Classroom**, and has co-written **Adventure Education for the Classroom Community** with Ambrose Panico and **Games (& Other Stuff) for Teachers** with Christ Cavert.

## — Conference Strand Categories —

• **Adventure-Based Programming:** techniques and models used by practitioners to foster learning and growth in wilderness- and adventure-based programs, outdoor education or organized camping.

• **Experience-Based Training and Development:** techniques and theories to facilitate growth and development of and within organizations.

• **Environmental Education/Nature Study:** techniques, models and curriculum used by practitioners to foster environmental literacy and learning about environmental issues and the natural world.

• **Facilitation/Processing:** cross-disciplinary techniques, tools and models for exploring philosophy, practice, methodology, self-development and growth as a practitioner working with groups in a variety of settings.

• **Mind/Body/Spirit:** integrating all dimensions of the human being as an essential aspect of experiential education.

• **Play:** an invitation to join in a spirited session of self renewing activity. Innovative approaches to play in varied settings.

• **Program Administration:** managing risk, responding to trends, promoting and marketing, maintaining client relations, fiscal management and staff development.

• **Research and Evaluation:** theories related to experiential learning, new and continuing research results, evaluation methods and outcomes.

• **Schools and Colleges:** experiential teaching and learning for primary, secondary and higher education.

• **Social Justice and Ethics:** social and ethical issues and questions as they relate to experiential education.

• **Therapeutic Adventure/Adventure Therapy:** therapeutic application and underlying theories and models of adventure-based practice in mental health, corrections, substance abuse, health and related fields.