A new professional development initiative of National NCSY, the Yarchei Kallah Seminars hope to provide guidance on educational techniques and programmatic substance for NCSY professionals throughout the country. Focus will be made on development of relevant skills for current NCSY programming and the long-term development of more sophisticated educators and professionals.

We request of EVERY participant in the conference to prepare 2 things:

1) Prepare a 90-second speech on the educator in your life who had the biggest impact on your development as an educator or Torah scholar.
2) Bring an educational program that you have done in the past. Either at a club. Beis Medrash Session. Latte & Learn. Just bring one with you.

Monday, November 5th

11:15 – 11:45 AM
What’s the Point: An Introduction
Any new initiative requires an explanation: Why are we here and what can we expect to gain from this conference? This introduction will explain the motivation and methodology of this conference and what the organizers expect and what the participants will gain.
➤ RABBI YAakov GLASSER

11:45 – 12:15 PM
The Fundamentals of Education and Programming
What are the initial questions educators should be asking when considering a program? What are the basic components of a successful program?
➤ RABBI YAakov GLASSER

12:15 PM
Lunch

1:00 PM
Research & Relevance: Finding, Organizing, and Presenting Compelling Torah
What are the key websites for researching Torah discussions? How can I organize my materials? How can I make textual and oral Torah presentations more compelling?
➤ DOVID BASHEVKIN

1:45 PM
Do. It. Yourself.
Participants will break up into groups of two and with the guidance of the conference organizers construct a text based Torah class or discussion.

2:30 – 3:15 PM
Transmitting Experiences
Learning how to create educational and interactive experiences. What are the key components to creating memorable experiences that can inform and inspire NCSYers?
➤ MARC FEIN
3:15 – 4:00 PM
Do It Yourself.
Participants will break up into groups of two and with the guidance of conference organizers, participants will create an educational experience.

4:00 – 4:30 PM
Mincha and Break

4:30 – 5:45 PM
Presentations
Participants will present either the Torah class/discussion or educational experience to the rest of the conference participants.

Tuesday, November 6th

8:30 – 9:15 AM
Breakfast

9:30 – 10:30 AM
Introduction to the Day

10:30 – 12:00 PM
Capture the Audience: The Principles and Strategies for Effective Presentations
Rabbi Yaakov Glasser will cover the major environmental changes and distractions that NCSY educators face. The fundamentals of powerful speeches, inspirational stories, will be presented to help participants create dramatic and lasting educational experiences in their region.

12:00 – 12:45 PM
Lunch

12:45 – 1:30 PM
Best of the Best
Presentations of the Best Experiential and Textual Programs for NCSY
▶ DOVID BASHEVKIN
▶ MARC FEIN

1:30 – 2:30 PM
Old & New: Feedback on Participants’ NCSY Programs

2:30 – 3:00 PM
Conclusion

6:00 – 7:30 PM
Dinner

7:30 – 9:00 PM
Ask the Rabbi
Rabbi Yaakov Glasser will take questions from participants on frequently asked questions by NCSYers and explain how the questions should be approached and addressed.