



Building Global Partnerships
Washington State Coalition for International Education
Wednesday, October 27, 2004

The Open Work Session 3:45 - 4:45 pm

small group discussions 45 minutes; youth reports 15 minutes
Kim Corrigan from YES! magazine and youth delegates from One World Now!

WHAT: To avoid programming overload we offer this one-hour session to allow participants time to connect professionally, to discuss issues raised throughout the day, to share resources, brainstorm ideas, pose questions, and plan for future projects.

HOW: Throughout the day participants are encouraged to propose a topic or question to discuss during the Open Work Session. Other participants can join in your discussion or propose one of their own. **Participants proposing a topic become the convener** for that small group discussion. Examples:

- "How do we effectively use technology in 6-8th grades?"
- "Teacher travel abroad—share ideas, experiences, resources"
- "Create a plan to advocate for social studies to state PTA"
- "Brainstorm ideas for getting your principal to go global"
- "Middle school teacher wants partner for project on East Timor"
- "What is the role for business in after school programs?"
- "How do teachers lobby school board on global issues?"

Use the form on the back of this sheet to propose a discussion topic or question. Tables will be available during the session and table-top signs will indicate the discussion topic and the convener's name. The summit's youth delegates will collect forms throughout the day and participants can also drop their forms into the Open Work Session Proposal Box at the registration table any time before 2:30 pm. We will be posting topics on the wall near the registration table throughout the day—check them out!

WHO: To begin the session at 3:45 we will call the convenors forward and announce their topics; they'll find an open table and convene their discussion group. Tables with three members or less may be asked to share their table. Similar topics may be grouped together, if necessary. Youth delegates will be selecting and briefly interviewing several summit participants during the Open Work Session and will report back on their findings to the entire group at the end of the session.

A successful session is up to YOU—start a conversation or join one!

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