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2023 Chief Information Officers Annual Conference

June 5-8, 2023

Grand Hyatt Denver

1750 Welton St.

Denver, CO 80202

AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, June 5

7:00am – 8:00am	Breakfast – <i>Mt. Evans</i>
	General Session – <i>Mt. Elbert</i>
8:15am – 8:30am	Key Priorities and Overview of Agenda <i>Willie T. Burroughs, Director of Management Services, Council of the Great City Schools (CGCS)</i> <i>Dr. Raymond C. Hart, Executive Director, CGCS</i>
8:30am – 9:00am	Welcome <i>Dr. Alex Marrero, Superintendent, Denver Public Schools</i>
9:15am – 9:45am	The Equity Journey: Start Where You Are, But Don't Stay There <i>Ashford Hughes Sr., Executive Officer for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Metro Nashville Public Schools</i>
9:45am – 11:00am	Panel Discussion and Table Activities: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Facilitator: <i>Ashford Hughes Sr., Executive Officer for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Metro Nashville Public Schools</i> Panelists: <i>Dr. Kenneth Thompson, Deputy Superintendent of Operations, San Antonio Independent School District</i> <i>Dr. Marilyn Delmont, Chief Information Officer, Clark County School District</i>
11:15am – 12:00pm	Harnessing the Power of Technology for Effective Student Learning: A Workshop on the National Educational Technology Plan (NETP) <i>Dr. Julie Evans, Chief Executive Officer, Project Tomorrow</i> <i>Erin Mote, Executive Director, InnovateEDU</i>
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch – <i>Mt. Evans</i>
	General Session – <i>Mt. Elbert</i>
1:15pm – 2:45pm	Panel Discussion: Generative AI: Current State, Possibilities, and Challenges in Public Education Facilitator:

	<p><i>Tom Ryan, Co-Founder, K-12 Strategic Technology Advisory Group</i></p> <p>Panelists: <i>Adam Garry, Sr. Director of Education Strategy, Dell Technologies</i> <i>Michael J. Jabbour, Chief Innovation Officer, Microsoft</i> <i>Clay Smith, Solutions Engineer, Google</i> <i>Mary Strain, Business Development Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, Amazon Web Services</i></p>
3:00pm – 3:45pm	<p>Ed Tech – Enabler or Distractor for Raising Student Outcomes <i>Joe Jennings, Chief of Information and Analytics, Tulsa Public Schools</i> <i>Dr. Brandon Olszewski, Director of Research, International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE)</i></p>
4:00pm – 5:00pm	<p>Women in IT: Actions, Behaviors, and Resources <i>Evangelina (Eva) Mendoza, Chief Information Technology Officer, San Antonio Independent School District</i> <i>Ashley Cowger, Executive Director of Strategy & Integration, Indianapolis Public Schools</i> <i>Don Wolff, Chief Technology Officer, Portland Public Schools</i></p>
5:00pm	Welcome Reception and Awards Ceremony – Mt. Evans

Tuesday, June 6			
7:00am – 8:00am	Breakfast – Mt. Evans		
	Breakout Sessions		
	<i>Mt. Elbert</i>	<i>Gray's Peak A</i>	<i>Gray's Peak B</i>
8:15am – 9:00am	<p>Measuring Operations to Reduce Cost Using 'Managing for Results' Analytics <i>Oscar Rodriguez, Chief Technology Officer, Austin Independent School District</i> <i>John Parker, VP, Data Science and Research, Innive Inc.</i></p>	<p>CIO's Role in SaaS ERP Implementations and Beyond Go Live <i>Jeff Konishi, Chief Technology Officer, Aurora Public Schools</i></p>	<p>Interoperability Cohort Workshop (cohort members only) Facilitators: <i>Shahryar Khazei, President, Macaw Consulting</i> <i>Maritess Plewnarz, Advisor, CGCS</i> <i>Tom Ryan, Co-Founder, K12 Strategic Advisory Group</i> <i>Eric Vignola, Manager of Software Engineering, CGCS</i></p>
9:15am – 10:00am	<p>Cybersecurity Hygiene and Resources for K-12 <i>Charlie Marmon, Cybersecurity Coordinator – Colorado, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)</i></p>	<p>Hands on AI Prompt Engineering <i>Adam Garry, Sr. Director of Education Strategy, Dell Technologies</i> <i>Tom Ryan, Co-Founder, K12 Strategic Technology Advisory Group</i></p>	
10:15am – 11:00am	<p>High-Impact Leadership for Digital Transformation</p>	<p>Evidence Based EdTech Selection & Evaluation <i>Melissa Riggs, Education Technology Specialist, Falcon District 49 (CO)</i></p>	

	<i>Ashley Cowger, Executive Director of Strategy & Integration, Indianapolis Public Schools</i>		
11:15am – 12:00pm	How Districts Utilize IoT for Safety, Campus, Management, and Integration <i>Dr. Josiah Phillips, Chief Information Officer, Broward County Public Schools</i> <i>Dr. Kermit Belcher, Chief Information Officer, Jefferson County Public Schools</i> <i>Jeff Anderson, President & CEO, Audio Enhancement</i> <i>Tom Dobson, Sr. Vice President, Audio Enhancement</i> <i>Zack Loder, Director of Software Engineering, Audio Enhancement</i>	Ensure Equitable Connectivity for All Students <i>Eric Hileman, Executive Director of Information Technology, Oklahoma City Public Schools</i> <i>Klaire Marino, Vice President, LightSpeed Systems</i>	From Overwhelming to Automated: Identity and Access Management in HCPS <i>Gregory Hart, Integrations Lead Customer Experience, Hillsborough County Public Schools</i> <i>Kate Anastario, VP of Educational Success, ClassLink</i>
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch – Mt. Evans		
	General Session – Mt. Elbert		
1:15pm – 2:00pm	Washington Update: Federal Action in Education <i>Manish Naik, Director of Legislative Services, CGCS</i>		
2:15pm – 2:45pm	Intro to CGCS Communities <i>Eric Vignola, Manager of Software Engineering, CGCS</i>		
2:45pm – 3:00pm	Casserly Urban School Executive Leadership Institute – Setting the Course: My First 100 Days as CTO <i>Evangelina (Eva) Mendoza, Chief Information and Technology Officer, San Antonio Independent School District</i>		
	Breakout Sessions		
	<i>Mt. Elbert</i>	<i>Gray's Peak A</i>	<i>Gray's Peak B</i>
3:15pm – 4:00pm	Cybersecurity: It's a Journey Not a Destiny <i>Dr. Marilyn Delmont, Chief Information Officer, Clark County School District</i>	Return on Investment as Leadership Mindset <i>Joe Jennings, Chief of Information and Analytics, Tulsa Public Schools</i> <i>Sean Berkstresser, Executive Director of Information and Analytics, Tulsa Public Schools</i>	Partnerships that Transform Learning and Teaching <i>Shawn Braxton, Executive Director of Learning Technology and Training Services, Cleveland Metropolitan School District</i> <i>Bill McCoy, Director of Sales-Midwest Region, Bluum</i> <i>Katie Frontino, Account Executive K-12 Ohio, Bluum</i> <i>Cait Heinz, Professional Development Team Lead, Bluum</i>

4:15pm – 5:00pm	CMSD's MDR Journey <i>Charles Mayhew, Executive Director Cyber Security, Risk & Compliance, PCI Cleveland Metropolitan School District</i> <i>Connor Ward, Account Executive, Arctic Wolf</i>	How CMSD Leveraged Docusign to Become a Digitally Intelligent Workplace <i>Tim Farris, Business Software and Integrations, Cleveland Metropolitan School District</i> <i>Brian Paisley, Executive Director of Software and Data Solutions, Cleveland Metropolitan School District</i> <i>Dea Allgood, Principal Customer Success Architect, Docusign</i>	Panel Discussion: How to Futureproof Your IT Culture in a Post-Pandemic World Using a Strengths-Based Approach Facilitator: <i>Tom Ryan, Co-Founder, K-12 Strategic Advisory Group</i> Panelists: <i>Jose Gonzalez, Chief Technology Officer, Los Angeles County Office of Education</i> <i>Ashley Cowger, Executive Director of Strategy and Integration, Indianapolis Public Schools</i> <i>Evangelina (Eva) Mendoza, Chief Information Technology Officer, San Antonio Independent School District</i> <i>Dr. Santor Nishizaki, Adjunct Professor, Pepperdine University</i>
5:00pm	Cocktail Hour – Mt. Evans		

Wednesday, June 7	
7:00am – 8:00am	Breakfast – Mt. Evans
	General Session – Mt. Elbert
8:15am – 10:00am	Getting Beyond IT: Creating a Cybersecurity Ecosystem Within Your District <i>Lenny Schad, Chief Information & Innovation Officer, District Administration</i> <i>Dr. Julie Evans, Chief Executive Officer, Project Tomorrow</i>
10:15am – 10:30am	Cassery Urban School Executive Leadership Institute: Think Like a Pirate – CIO Leadership to Drive Change and Capitalize on Opportunities <i>Sean Berkstresser, Executive Director of Information and Analytics, Tulsa Public Schools</i>
10:45am – 12:00pm	Panel Discussion: Is There Such a Thing as a Successful ERP Implementation? Facilitators: <i>Lenny Schad, Chief Information & Innovation Officer, District Administration</i> <i>Shahryar Khazei, President, Macaw Consulting</i> Panelists: <i>Melanie Harris, Chief Information Officer, The School District of Philadelphia</i> <i>Evangelina (Eva) Mendoza, Chief Information Technology Officer, San Antonio Independent School District</i>

	<i>Oscar Rodriguez, Chief Technology Officer, Austin Independent School District Glen VanDerwater, Chief Technology Officer, Rochester City School District</i>		
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch – Mt. Evans		
	Breakout Sessions		
	<i>Mt. Elbert</i>	<i>Gray's Peak A</i>	<i>Gray's Peak B</i>
1:15pm – 2:00pm	Cybersecurity: It is a We Thing, Not an IT Thing <i>Don Wolff, Chief Technology Officer, Portland Public Schools Mark Racine, Chief Information Officer, Boston Public Schools</i>	New Levels of Digital Transformation <i>Ashley Cowger, Executive Director of Strategy & Integration, Indianapolis Public Schools Emily Weinberger, Senior Manager, Client Success, K12 Insight</i>	Is Governance Achieved by Policy and Authority <i>Satya Yarramsetty, Sr IT Audit Manager, Columbus City Schools</i>
2:15pm – 3:00pm	From the War Room to the Board Room – LAUSD's Cyberattack Recovery <i>Jack Kelanic, Senior IT Administrator, Los Angeles Unified School District</i>	Know When to Hold 'Em, Know When to Fold 'Em <i>Dr. Josiah Phillips, Chief Information Officer, Broward County Schools</i>	IT Governance and IT Project Management <i>Dr. Marilyn Delmont, Chief Information Officer, Clark County School District Jessica Fry, IT Project Management Officer, Clark County School District</i>
3:15pm – 4:00pm	FWISD Adopts iboss Zero Trust Security Edge <i>Marlon Shears, Chief Information Officer, Fort Worth Independent School District Richard Quinones, Senior Vice President, iboss</i>	What's Our District Position on Generative AI <i>Christopher Smith, Superintendent, Cherry Creek Schools</i>	Enabling Secure Parent Access Through Identity Management <i>Ed Wagner, Deputy Chief Information Officer, Chicago Public Schools Michael Webb, CTO & CPO, Identity Automation</i>
4:15pm – 5:00pm	Developing a Cyber Security Risk Assessment Program <i>Don Wolff, Chief Technology Officer, Portland Public Schools Mark Racine, Chief Information Officer, Boston Public Schools</i>	Igniting a Data Culture and the Rapid Development of a Cloud Data Environment to Support It <i>Betsy Conti, Enterprise Data Architect, Jefferson County School District R-1 (CO) Derek Root, K12 Business Development Manager, Amazon Web Services</i>	
Evening on your own			

Thursday, June 8

7:00am – 8:00am	Breakfast – Mt. Elbert
	General Session – Mt. Elbert

8:15am – 10:00am	Report Out
10:00am - 12:00pm	Boxed lunches available