

# Wednesday, October 7

# **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

Council of the Great City Schools 59th Annual Fall Conference, Long Beach, CA October 7 - October 11, 2015 Hyatt Regency Hotel

"Sailing to Success in Urban Education"

### Wednesday, October 7, 2015

### **Conference Registration**

7:00 am - 5:00 pm Seaview B - 1st Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **Breakfast Buffet**

8:00 am - 9:00 am Beacon Ballroom - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **Urban Schools Resource Display**

**8:00 am - 5:00 pm**Seaview B - Ist Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **Internet Business Café**

**8:00 am - 5:00 pm**Seaview A - Ist Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **CRSS Goverance Symposium**

9:00 am - 12:00 pm Regency DEF - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

Know What is Happening on Your Watch: Using Data to Increase Student Achievement and Operational Efficiency

Must be pre-registered

### **New Member & Newcomer's Orientation**

II:00 am - I2:00 pm Seaview C - Ist Floor - Hyatt Regency

### Young Men of Color Advisory Committee Meeting

**12:00 pm - 1:00 pm**Regency A - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **Buffet Lunch**

**I 2:00 pm - I:00 pm**Beacon Ballroom - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

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### Task Force Meeting I

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Regency BC - 4th Floor - Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center

Joint Meeting of the Achievement Task Force and the

**Professional Development Task Force** 

Co-chairs: Eric Gordon, Cleveland CEO

Paula Wright, Duval County School Board

Felton Williams, Long Beach School Board Darienne Driver, Milwaukee Superintendent Deborah Shanley, Brooklyn College Dean

### **Task Force Meeting II**

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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Joint Meeting of the School Finance Task Force and the Leadership, Governance and Management Task Force

Co-chairs: José Banda, Sacramento Superintendent

Bill Isler, Pittsburgh School Board

### **Task Force Meeting III**

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Regency DEF - 4th Floor - Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center English Language Learners and Bilingual Education Task Force

**Co-chairs:** Valeria Silva, Saint Paul Superintendent

Keith Oliveira, Providence School Board

### **Blue Ribbon Corporate Advisory Group Meeting**

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Seaview C - 1st Floor - Hyatt Regency

6:15 pm- Walk to the Aquarium of the Pacific

# Welcome Reception at Aquarium of the Pacific

**6:30 pm - 8:30 pm** 100 Aquarium Way Long Beach, CA 90802

**Greetings: Chris Steinhauser, Superintendent, Long Beach Unified School District** 

Entertainment: The Bob Cole Conservatory Jazz Combo under the direction of Jeff Jarvis

### **Hospitality Suite**

9:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Seaview Rotunda - 1st Floor - Hyatt Regency

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### **General Session A: Breakfast and Address**

7:30 am - 9:00 am

Regency Ballroom - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

**Entertainment:** Long Beach Polytechnic High School Vocal Jazz I under the direction of Brian Dokko

**Presentation of Colors:** Long Beach Lakewood High School Navy JROTC, Commanded by Eric Chavez,

under the direction of Captain Donald McMackin, US Navy (Retired)

### Official Opening and Welcome: "Sailing to Success in Urban Education"

Greetings: Chris Steinhauser, Superintendent, Long Beach Unified School District

Introduction: Michael Casserly, Executive Director, Council of the Great City Schools

**Chair's Address: Richard Carranza,** Chair of the Board, Council of the Great City Schools and Superintendent, San Francisco Unified School District

Announcement of Dr. Shirley S. Schwartz Urban Impact Award

### **Concurrent Session I**

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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ADVANCING AP: INCREASING ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENROLLMENT AND COLLABORATION IN URBAN SCHOOLS 9:15 am – 10:30 am

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PANEL: A Strategy For The Recruitment And Retention Of Students Of Color For Advanced Placement Courses In The Long Beach Unified School District



**Christopher Steinhauser,** Superintendent, Long Beach Unified School District **Felton Williams,** President, Board of Education, Long Beach Unified School District **Kimberly Johnson,** Advanced Placement Outreach Coordinator, Long Beach Unified School District

PANEL: Enhancing Student Success in AP Courses Through Professional Learning Communities

**Scott Fritz,** Chief Academic Officer, Orange County Public Schools **Hilary Buckridge,** Senior Director, Department of Advanced Studies, Orange County Public Schools **Marjorie Ceballos,** Senior Administrator, Department of Advanced Studies, Orange County Public Schools

FACILIATOR: Pat Skorkowsky, Superintendent, Clark County School District

# FIRST WORDS: USING NATIVE LANGUAGE SKILLS TO IMPROVE ACADEMIC SUCCESS FOR ELLS 9:15 am – 10:30 am

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**Katherine Beck,** ELA Program Effectiveness Supervisor, Denver Public Schools **Adrienne Endres,** ELA Content Specialist, Denver Public Schools

PANEL: Raising Expectations for English Language Learners with Bilingual Writing Portfolios

**Erica Darken,** Curriculum Development Specialist, Multilingual Curriculum and Programs, School District of Philadelphia

PANEL: Using The Students' First Language In An ESL Class To Support Academic Content and English Language Learning

**Mariana De Luca,** ELL Resource Teacher, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools **Susan Brown,** ELL Specialist, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools

FACILITATOR: Valeria Silva, Superintendent, St. Paul Public Schools

# BOARD INQUIRY: RESULTS AND INSIGHTS FROM THE GOVERNANCE SURVEY OF URBAN SCHOOL BOARDS AND SUPERINTENDENTS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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**PANEL:** Results from CGCS' Inquiry into Effective Governance

Airick Leonard West, Board Member, Kansas City Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Michael Casserly, Executive Director, Council of the Great City Schools



# MY BROTHER'S KEEPER: MAKING THE PLEDGE A REALITY IN OUR GREAT CITY SCHOOLS 9:15 am – 10:30 am

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PANEL: A Focus on Equity Through the Board of Education

**Barbara Peterson,** Albuquerque Public Schools **Analee Maestas,** Board Member, Albuquerque Public Schools

**PANEL: The Belief Gap** 

Alesia Gillison, Chief Academic Officer, Columbus City Schools

PANEL: Success Strategies for Re-engaging the Disengaged African American Male Student

**Brenda Manuel,** Director, Student Unit, Los Angeles Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Robin Hall, Director, English and Language Arts, Council of the Great City Schools



### **COLLEGE NORM: PREPARING URBAN STUDENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION SUCCESS**

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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**PANEL: Parent University College Tours - A Family Affair** 

Tracy Hill, Executive Director of Family and Community Engagement, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

PANEL: How to Prepare Under-resourced Students to be Successful College Students

**Robin Wheatley,** Principal, Toledo Early College, Toledo Public Schools **Tim Bollin,** Teacher, Toledo Public Schools

PANEL: Expanding Access to Dual Enrollment and College: What Works

**Deborah Shanley**, Professor, Urban Community Teachers Project, Brooklyn College-CUNY **Joyce C. Mitchell**, Education Consultant/Strategic Advisor, Memphis City Schools **Mattie Adams**, Executive Member, Middle College National Consortium

FACILITATOR: Denise Walston, Director, Mathematics, Council of the Great City Schools

# THE RESULTS ARE IN: USING SCHOOL EVALUATION SYSTEMS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR GREAT CITY SCHOOLS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: School Quality Reviews: An Integral Part of the Boston Public Schools Accountability System

Eileen de los Reyes, Chief Academic Officer, Boston Public Schools

**PANEL: Moving from Data to Results** 

**Theresa Jones,** Chief Achievement and Accountability Officer, Baltimore City Public Schools **Brianna Kaufman,** Program Evaluator, Baltimore City Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Mary McCray, Board Member, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools

### **BOOSTING SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING SUCCESS IN OUR GREAT CITY SCHOOLS**

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) at Scale: Making it Happen for All Students



Paul Cruz, Superintendent, Austin Independent School District

PANEL: Special Education: Social Emotional Para Educator...Supporting Our Most At-Risk Students To Be Successful In The Educational Continuum Of Services

Cheryl Hunt, Assistant Superintendent, Special Education, Fresno Unified School District

Nancy Miser, Manager III, Special Education Programs and Services, Fresno Unified School District

Kim Martin-Andersen, Social Emotional Support, Teacher on Special Assignment, Fresno Unified School District

Job Melton, Social Emotional Manager II, Fresno Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Ed Graff, Superintendent, Anchorage School District

### **TESTING TESTING: DEPLOYING PARCC AND SMARTER BALANCE IN URBAN SCHOOLS**

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Stories From the Front Line: Implementing New PARCC, Smarter Balanced, and Other State NCLB Assessments



Christopher Lund, Office of Research, Planning, Evaluation and School Improvement,
Long Beach Unified School District

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Nicholas D'Amico, Executive Director of School Performance, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

FACILITATOR: Raymond Hart, Director of Research, Council of the Great City Schools



# PERSONNEL MATTERS: DEVELOPING AND SUSTAINING A TALENTED INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF IN URBAN SCHOOLS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Staffing Policy Changes to Increase Equity In Talent Distribution

**Martha Woerner**, Data Strategist, Talent, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Trent Mosley**, Network Support Leader, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

**PANEL: The Human Capital Story in DC Public Schools** 

Jason Kamras, Chief of Human Capital, District of Columbia Public Schools

Scott Thompson, Deputy Chief of Human Capital for Teacher Effectiveness, District of Columbia Public Schools

Hilary Darilek, Deputy Chief of Human Capital for Principal Effectiveness, District of Columbia Public Schools

PANEL: Investing in Human Capital: Leveraging Learning and Leadership to Change Culture

Nkolika E. Onye, Executive Director of Performance Management, Providence Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Doretha Edgecomb, Board Member, Hillsborough County Public Schools

### AN APPLE A DAY: MAKING HEALTH AND WELLNESS A PRIORITY IN OUR GREAT CITY SCHOOLS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Urban School Wellness: Accountability Through Policy

Hannah Laughlin, Senior Field Manager, Action for Healthy Kids



**PANEL: Creating Wellness Champions** 

**Dana Kriznar,** Assistant Superintendent, Duval County Public Schools **Heather Albritton-Crowley,** Wellness Director, Duval County Public Schools

PANEL: Re-energizing Your Workforce: Workplace Wellness for the Urban School District

**Darienne Driver,** Superintendent, Milwaukee Public Schools **Tara Witt,** Employee Wellness Coordinator, Milwaukee Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Ashley Paz, Board Member, Fort Worth Independent School District

# USING THE COMMON CORE FOUNDATION TO BUILD HIGH-QUALITY CONTENT FOR DIVERSE STUDENTS IN URBAN SCHOOLS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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**PANEL:** Cornerstones: Strengthening the Core Through Rich Student Tasks





**Brian Pick,** Chief Academic Officer, District of Columbia Public Schools **Jeanie Lee,** District of Columbia Public Schools

PANEL: Interacting in Meaningful Ways: Using Rich Math Tasks as Language Catalysts

**Angie Estonina,** Supervisor, Multilingual Pathways, San Francisco Unified School District **Glenn Kenyon,** Math Content Specialist, San Francisco Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Robert Neu, Superintendent, Oklahoma City Public Schools

# ALL IN THE FAMILY: RECOGNIZING THE POSITIVE IMPACT OF FAMILY INVOLVEMENT IN URBAN STUDENT SUCCESS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Improving Student Achievement with the Support and Involvement of Families and the Community

**Joy Taylor,** Title I Director, Orange County Public Schools **Katrina Summerville,** Program Specialist for NCLB, Orange County Public Schools

PANEL: Building a Parent Leadership Pathway in Your district

**Tu Moua**, Area Assistant Superintendent, Sacramento City Unified School District **Sean Alexander**, Supervisor, Sacramento City Unified School District **Nora Castro**, Family Partnership Facilitator, Sacramento City Unified School District **Oswaldo Hernandez**, Family Partnership Facilitator, Sacramento City Unified School District **Johnny Vue**, Family Partnership Facilitator, Sacramento City Unified School District

PANEL: Strengthening Family-School Partnerships to Improve Student Achievement

Jill Hoogendyk, Executive Director, San Francisco Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Mary Ronan, Superintendent, Cincinnati Public Schools

# HYPER LINKS: CREATING A STRONG CONNECTION BETWEEN URBAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS, THE COMMUNITY, AND ALL STAKEHOLDERS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Schools and Communities: Partners In Turnaround



**Veda Hudge,** Service Quality Director, Broward County Public Schools **Mark Narkier,** School Performance and Accountability Director, Broward County Public Schools **Lori Canning,** Early Learning/School Readiness Director, Broward County Public Schools **Leslie Brown,** Chief Portfolio Services Officer, Broward County Public Schools

**PANEL: Redesigning a Districtwide Climate Survey** 

**Jhone Ebert,** Chief Innovation and Productivity Officer, Clark County School District **Kent Sabo**, Coordinator of Research, Clark County School District

FACILITATOR: Cindy Elsbernd, Board Member, Des Moines Public Schools

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# **Concurrent Session II**

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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CURVE AHEAD: ALIGNING URBAN TEACHER GRADING PRACTICES WITH STUDENT PROFICIENCY 10:45 am – 12:15 pm

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PANEL: Grading for Learning: Strategies for Shifting Teacher Grading Practices in Schools

**Derrick Chau,** Instructional Director, Los Angeles Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Ann Murray, Board Member, Broward County Public Schools



PROVIDING EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION AND SERVICES TO URBAN STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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PANEL: Using Student-Based Budgeting to Improve Special Education Services in a Portfolio District

Jessica Baldwin, Executive Director of Intervention Services, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

PANEL: Meeting the Needs of ALL Students Through Strategic Special Education Programming

Alicia S. Tate, Executive Director, Special Education, Guilford County Schools

PANEL: Comprehensive Evaluation Process for English Learners

**Timothy Tipton**, Senior Speech-Language Pathologist, San Diego Unified School District **Angela Gaviria**, Education Specialist, San Diego Unified School District **Sonia Picos**, Executive Director, San Diego Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Robert Neu, Superintendent, Oklahoma City Public Schools





### GREAT EXPECTATIONS: SYSTEMIC CHANGE PROMOTING EQUITY AND ACHIEVEMENT IN OUR URBAN SCHOOLS

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PANEL: Public Private Partnership Cultivation in a School Reform Effort

**S. Denise Watts,** Community Superintendent, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools **Mary McCray,** School Board Chair, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools

PANEL: Closing the Achievement Gap by Transforming Struggling Schools

Kathryn Shuler, Associate Superintendent, School Transformation Office, Orange County Public Schools

PANEL: Moving from Random Acts of Equity to Systemic Change

**Carla Llewelyn-Vasquez,** Program Administrator, Office of Access and Equity, San Francisco Unified School District **Lucas Elbaum,** Teacher on Special Assignment, Office of Access and Equity, San Francisco Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Bolgen Vargas, Superintendent, Rochester City School District

BY THE NUMBERS: USING HUMAN CAPITAL DATA TO IMPROVE INSTRUCTIONAL OUTCOMES IN URBAN SCHOOLS

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PANEL: Leveraging Data and Overcoming Institutional Barriers to Improve Teacher Recruitment and Hiring Outcomes

**Jessica Heard,** Director of Teacher Recruitment and Selection, District of Columbia Public Schools **Sara Goldband,** Director of Strategic Staffing, District of Columbia Public Schools

**PANEL: Using Teacher Information in Talent Management Meetings** 

**Luther Johnson,** Executive Director, Talent Management, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Charlene Hilliard,** Principal, James Ford Rhodes High School, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

**FACILITATOR: Darienne B. Driver,** Superintendent, Milwaukee Public Schools

MULTIPLICATION NOT DIVISION: CREATING EQUITABLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL URBAN STUDENT IN STEM 10:45 am – 12:15 pm

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PANEL: Increasing Student Interest in STEM Endorsements for Underrepresented Populations



**Oswaldo Alvarenga,** STEM Executive Director, Dallas Independent School District **Crystal Alexander,** STEM Manager, Dallas Independent School District

PANEL: Equity and the Math Classroom, a District-wide Commitment

**Lizzy Hull Barnes**, Program Administrator for Mathematics, San Francisco Unified School District **Alison Ellsworth**, Math Content Specialist, San Francisco Unified School District

PANEL: STEM Initiatives Embedded into High School High Tech Class for SWD

**Kimberly Steinke,** Senior Director for ESE, Orange County Public Schools **Leigh Austin,** Director, Orange County Public Schools

**FACILITATOR: David Peercy,** Board Member, Albuquerque Public Schools

### PRIVACY POLICY: KEEPING URBAN STUDENT INFORMATION SAFE IN A DIGITAL-ERA

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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PANEL: What You Don't Know Can Hurt You

Lenny Schad, Chief Technology Information Officer, Houston Independent School District **Jhone Ebert,** Chief Innovation and Productivity Officer, Clark County School District **Bill Fitzgerald,** Director, Privacy Initiative, Common Sense Media **Brenda Leong**, Senior Counsel and Director of Operations, Future of Privacy Forum

FACILITATOR: Pamela Knowles, Board Member, Portland Public Schools





PANEL: W.I.P. ing Urban School Finance: Jackson Public Schools' Journey Toward Fiscal Stability

Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer, Jackson Public Schools

PANEL: Creative Solutions for Benefits Savings

Daniel Chanen, Chief Human Capitol Officer, Milwaukee Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Gregory Thornton, Chief Executive Officer, Baltimore City Public Schools



# GET A HEAD: AN UPDATE ON THE WALLACE FOUNDATION'S PRINCIPAL SUPERVISOR PROJECT IN THREE URBAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS

10:45 am – 12:15 pm

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PANEL: Re-visioning the Principal Supervisor Role: DCPS' Instructional Superintendents

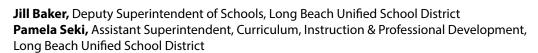
**Hilary Darilek,** Deputy Chief of Principal Effectiveness, District of Columbia Public Schools **Amanda Alexander,** Deputy Chief of Elementary Schools, District of Columbia Public Schools



PANEL: Putting Purpose in the Principal Supervisor's Role

**Lori Taliaferro**, Executive Director of Leadership Development, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Michelle Pierre-Farid**, Chief Academic Officer, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Valentina Moxon**, Academic Superintendent, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

PANEL: Aligning the work of School Supervision and the Offices of Curriculum and Instruction: The Long Beach Unified Story



FACILITATOR: Thomas Ahart, Superintendent, Des Moines Public Schools



Professional Development

# ALL HANDS ON DECK: HOW URBAN DISTRICTS ARE OPENING THE DOORS TO COMMUNITY SUPPORT

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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PANEL: An Evidence-Based and Scalable AmeriCorps and Community Volunteer Apprenticeship Model

**Megan Webb,** Principal Orchard Gardens K-8 School, Boston Public Schools **Patrick Kirby,** Chief Growth Officer and Executive Director, Citizen Schools

PANEL: Innovation = Necessity + Timing - Comfort

**Lewis D. Ferebee,** Superintendent, Indianapolis Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Hardin Coleman, Vice Chair, Boston School Committee, Boston University, Dean

### WORTH THEIR WHILE: TEACHER EVALUATION AND COMPENSATION IN THE GREAT CITY SCHOOLS

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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PANEL: Ensuring Equitable Distribution of Effective Teachers and Principals

Ann Smisko, Deputy Superintendent, Dallas Independent School District

PANEL: Transforming the Teacher Evaluation and Professional Development Process: One Urban District's Journey

**Andrew McKenzie,** TIF Project Director, Fort Worth Independent School District

PANEL: Does Teacher Evaluation "Work"? Lessons from IMPACT in DC Public Schools

**Scott Thompson,** Deputy Chief of Human Capital for Teacher Effectiveness, District of Columbia Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Linda Lane, Superintendent, Pittsburgh Public Schools

# PROMOTING EQUITY AND QUALITY IN OUR URBAN PRE-K AND ELEMENTARY PROGRAMS IN OUR GREAT CITY SCHOOLS

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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PANEL: Strengthening the Foundation of Pre-School to Third Grade

**Donna Ryono**, Vice Principal, Long Beach Unified School District **Teresa Cooper**, District Coach, Long Beach Unified School District **Nancy Hayashida**, District Coach, Long Beach Unified School District

PANEL: Birth – 3rd Grade Principal Academy on Early Learning

**Deanna Mathies,** Director, Fresno Unified School District **Julie Montali,** Early Learning, Fresno Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Airick Leonard West, Board Member, Kansas City Public Schools



Development

DEEPER CONNECTIONS: URBAN DISTRICT EFFORTS TO INFORM AND EMPOWER COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS

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PANEL: Communicating with H.E.A.R.T. – Implementing a Proven Customer Service Model to Measure and Increase Customer Satisfaction



**Shirrell Green**, Deputy to CEO, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Roseann Canfora**, District Communications Officer, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

PANEL: Awakening the Sleeping Giant: Restoring Faith and Rejuvenating the Power of Urban Public Education

**Le Boler,** Chief Strategist, Indianapolis Public Schools **Christine Rembert,** Principal, Francis W. Parker Elementary School, Indianapolis Public Schools

PANEL: If You Build It, Will They Come? The Power of the Public Education Story

Mark Sherwood, Assistant Superintendent, Communications, Duval County Public Schools

**FACILITATOR: Henry Duvall,** Director of Communications, Council of the Great City Schools

# General Session B: Lunch and Speaker, George McKenna, Educator

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Regency Ballroom - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

**Entertainment:** Charles E. Hughes Middle School Symphonic Winds under the direction of Naomi Norwich

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**EQUITY FOR ALL: EMERGING LEGAL ISSUES FOR URBAN SCHOOLS** 

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

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**PANEL:** The Next Generation of Civil Rights Issues

John Borkowski, Partner, Husch Blackwell

FACILITATOR: Julie Wright-Halbert, Legislative Counsel, Council of the Great City Schools



# BACK TO THE FUTURE: CONNECTING TODAY'S URBAN STUDENTS WITH CIVIL RIGHTS HISTORY 2:15 pm – 3:45 pm

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**PANEL: Digital National Classroom: Civil Rights History and Current Events** 

**Van Henri White,** School Board President, Rochester City School District **Annmarie Lehner,** Information Technology Officer, Rochester City School District **Djinga St. Louis,** Director, African American Studies, Rochester City School District

FACILITATOR: Cedrick Gray, Superintendent, Jackson Public Schools



### USING ADVANCED PLACEMENT TO READY URBAN STUDENTS FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

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PANEL: Using AP Potential to Maximize Student and Teacher Success

**Eric Bergholm,** General Director, Hillsborough County Public Schools **Derek Thomas,** Coordinator, Hillsborough County Public Schools

PANEL: Breaking Down the Ivory Gate: Improving Post-Secondary Access & Success for All

**Rick Cruz,** Officer, Major Projects, Houston Independent School District **Don Hare,** Chief of Major Projects Officer, Houston Independent School District

**FACILITATOR: Gary Baker, Board Member, Columbus Public Schools** 



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PANEL: Effectively Serving LT ELs in the Secondary Grades to Raise Student Achievement

**Patrick Rich,** ELA Research Analyst, Denver Public Schools **Jenna Ream,** ELA Instructional Practices Specialist, Denver Public Schools

PANEL: Improving Instructional Practices for the Development of Academic English for English Learners

**Maria Maldonado,** Assistant Superintendent, English Learner Services, Fresno Unified School District **Thea Fabian,** Teacher on Special Assignment, English Learner Services, Fresno Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Pedro Martinez, Superintendent, San Antonio Independent School District



### RECRUITING DIVERSE TEACHERS FOR URBAN CLASSROOMS

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

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**PANEL:** Building a Strong Diverse Pipeline of Teacher Candidates



**Brianna Savoca Koehler,** Director, Talent Acquisition, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Warren Morgan,** Network Support Leader, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

PANEL: Dream to Teach: Supporting Tomorrow's Educational Leaders

**Sarai Tillinghast,** Teacher, Des Moines Public Schools **Carrie Romo,** Teacher, Des Moines Public Schools

PANEL: United to Make A Difference: Ensuring Success for ALL in Preparing the Next Generation of Educators

**Deborah Shanley**, Professor, Urban Community Teachers Project, Brooklyn College-CUNY **Haroon Kharem**, Professor, Urban Community Teachers Project, Brooklyn College-CUNY **Clifford Dupoux**, Urban Community Teacher & Scholar, Brooklyn College-CUNY

FACILITATOR: Kelley Castlin-Gacutan, Superintendent, Birmingham City Schools

### VIRTUAL PD: WHERE TECHNOLOGY AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEET FOR OUR URBAN EDUCATORS

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

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PANEL: Using Virtual and Digital Media as Tools for Professional Development



Seema Tejura, Director of Reading Language Arts, Dallas Independent School District

PANEL: myPD: The Art and Science of Personalized Professional Development

**Nader Imad Twal,** Program Administrator, myPD, Long Beach Unified School District **Amy Pendray,** Program Specialist, myPD, Long Beach Unified School District **Jennifer Crockett,** Program Specialist, myPD, Long Beach Unified School District

PANEL: Tightly Coupled Integrated System to Target Instructional and Leadership Development

**Diane Gullett,** Executive Area Director Professional Development Services, Orange County Public Schools **Jesus Jara,** Deputy Superintendent, Orange County Public Schools

FACILITATOR: José Banda, Superintendent, Sacramento City Unified School District

# BANG FOR THE BUCKS: DETERMINING THE MOST EFFECTIVE USE OF FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDS IN URBAN SCHOOLS

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

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**PANEL: Toolkit for Maximizing Spending** 

Nancy Phillips, Director, State & Federal Accountability, Austin Independent School District

Mary L. Thomas, Project Director, State and Federal Accountability, Austin Independent School District

**PANEL: Title I Redesign** 

Bridgette Robinson, Director of Federal and Special Programs, Indianapolis Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Christopher Henson, Interim Superintendent, Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools

# SEARCH HISTORY: HOW TWO URBAN SCHOOL BOARDS WORKED TO FIND THE RIGHT SUPERINTENDENT 2:15 pm – 3:45 pm

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PANEL: Lessons Learned From a National Superintendent Search Under Strict Open Meeting Law Provisions

**Michael O'Neill,** Chairperson, Boston School Committee, Boston Public Schools **Hardin Coleman,** Vice Chair, Boston School Committee, Boston University, Dean

PANEL: How Kansas City Public Schools Stopped the Revolving Door on Superintendents

**Airick Leonard West,** Board Member, Kansas City Public Schools **R. Stephen Green,** Superintendent, DeKalb County Public Schools

**FACILITATOR: Rebecca Gagnon, Board Member, Minneapolis Public Schools** 



### UNIT OF MEASUREMENT: USING DATA AND RESULTS TO EVALUATE PERFORMANCE

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

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PANEL: School Leader IMPACT: Balancing Growth and Accountability through Performance Assessment

**Jason Kamras,** Chief of Human Capital, District of Columbia Public Schools **Hilary Darilek,** Deputy Chief of Principal Effectiveness, District of Columbia Public Schools



**PANEL: Balancing Results-Driven Accountability with Compliance** 

Sowmya Kumar, Assistant Superintendent, Houston Independent School District

PANEL: How the 10th Largest School District in the Nation Ensures High Expectations for all School Leaders
That are Consistently Monitored

Harold Border, Area Superintendent, Orange County Public Schools

**FACILITATOR: Ann Clark,** Superintendent, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools

# PITCHING IN: HOW URBAN SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES ARE MEETING THE NEEDS OF STUDENTS OF COLOR 2:15 pm – 3:45 pm

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PANEL: Meeting the Needs of High-Performing, Low-Income Students in the District of Columbia Public Schools

Matthew Reif, Director of Advanced and Enriched Instruction, District of Columbia Public Schools

**PANEL:** Partnering with Community to Advance African American Student Outcomes

Landon Dickey, Special Assistant to the Superintendent, San Francisco Unified School District



FACILITATOR: William Hite Jr., Superintendent, The School District of Philadelphia

# SCHOOLS OUT FOR SUMMER: INNOVATIVE PROGRAMMING TO DECREASE THE SUMMER SLIDE IN URBAN STUDENTS

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

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PANEL: The Summer Bridge-Transition to the High School Experience

**George Golden,** CTAG Diversity Director, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Arlin Hill,** Regional Linkage Coordinator, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

PANEL: EL Village: Summer Learning for Newcomer English Learners and Their Teachers!

**Jen Fong,** Director, College & Career Readiness, San Francisco Unified School District **Amy Gottesfeld,** Supervisor, Multilingual Pathways Department, San Francisco Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Harium Martin-Morris, Board Member, Seattle Public Schools

# ALL OTHERS BRING DATA: USING DISTRICT INFORMATION SYSTEMS TO DRIVE URBAN SCHOOL DECISION-MAKING

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

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PANEL: Building Blocks of Implementing a Data Driven Organization

Justin White, Coordinator of Data Services, Clark County School District



PANEL: Using Data to Improve ALL Student Learning in Fort Worth, TX

Becky Navarre, Assistant Superintendent, Division of Technology, Fort Worth Independent School District

PANEL: Empowering Data Use: Building an Effective Data Dashboard

**Blake Ward,** Performance Analysis Specialist, Milwaukee Public Schools **Melanie Stewart,** Director Research and Evaluation, Milwaukee Public Schools

**FACILITATOR: Barbara Nevergold,** Board Member, Buffalo Public Schools

### **Concurrent Session IV**

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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# MEETING OUR OBLIGATIONS: ENSURING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGLISH LEARNERS IN URBAN SCHOOLS

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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**PANEL: Talking About the Legal Rights of English Learners** 

**Frances Esparza**, Assistant Superintendent, Office of English Language Learners, Boston Public Schools **Karla Estrada**, Deputy Superintendent of Student Support Services, Boston Public Schools **Christina Mei-Yue Wong**, Special Assistant to the Superintendent, San Francisco Unified School District **John Borkowski**, Partner, Husch Blackwell

FACILITATOR: Gabriela Uro, Director, English Language Learner Policy and Research, Council of the Great City Schools

# THE HEAT IS ON: STRATEGIES TO BOOST LITERACY ACHIEVEMENT FOR URBAN STUDENTS DURING OUT OF SCHOOL TIME

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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PANEL: Advancing Community Engagement through Shared-Responsibility to the Reduce Summer Slide

**Kelly Miller-Hargraves**, HOST (Out of School Time) Area Manager, Hillsborough County Public Schools **Mary Lou Whaley**, Director, Parent/Community Involvement, Hillsborough County Public Schools **Lorie Tonti**, Community Engagement and Partnerships Manager, Hillsborough County Public Schools **Doris Linville**, Community Literacy Champion, Hillsborough County Partner Collaborative

PANEL: A Summer Literacy Intervention for Emergent Readers: An Instructional Design for Closing the Gap

**Mary Beth Stevens,** Reading Recovery Teacher Leader & Resource Teacher, Jefferson County Public Schools **Maria Carrico,** Extended School Services District Coordinator, Jefferson County Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Tonya Harris, Communications Manager, Council of the Great City

# Thursday, October 8

# **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

### ROOTED IN SUCCESS: CULTIVATING EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP STRATEGIES IN TWO URBAN DISTRICTS

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

102 B - 1st Floor - Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center

PANEL: From Vision to Implementation: Creating a Distributed Leadership Culture through the Instructional Leadership Team



**Lynn Dougherty-Underwood,** Director of Literacy K-12, Hillsborough County Public Schools **Larissa McCoy-Mitti**, Assistant Principal for Curriculum, Alonso High School, Hillsborough County Public Schools **James Ammirati**, Principal, Liberty Middle School, Hillsborough County Public Schools **Sarah Jacobsen-Capps**, Principal, Dunbar Elementary School, Hillsborough County Public Schools

PANEL: Effective APPR Implementation for Effective School Leadership and Improvement

**Genelle Morris,** Assistant Superintendent of Shared Accountability, Buffalo Public Schools **William Boatwright,** Principal, Buffalo Public Schools

**FACILITATOR: Shante Avant, Board Member, Shelby County Schools** 

### ESTABLISHING EFFECTIVE TEACHER EVALUATION METHODS FOR URBAN EDUCATORS

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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PANEL: Maximizing Video as a Key Element of a Human Capital Strategy

**Michelle Hudacsko,** Deputy Chief, IMPACT, District of Columbia Public Schools **Ijeoma Kush,** Director, Master Educator Program, District of Columbia Public Schools **Stephanie Shultz,** Director, Align TLF Training Platform, District of Columbia Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Larry Nyland, Superintendent, Seattle Public Schools



MOVIN' ON UP: PREPARING URBAN SCHOOL PRINCIPALS FOR THE NEXT LEVEL OF LEADERSHIP

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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PANEL: Principals as Executive Leaders: Elevating the Role Through Compensation and Focused Opportunities

Hilary Darilek, Deputy Chief of Principal Effectiveness, District of Columbia Public Schools

**PANEL: Succession Planning for Broward's Future Leaders** 

**Veda Hudge,** Service Quality Director, Broward County Public Schools **Fabian Cone,** School Performance and Accountability Director, Broward County Public Schools **Ted Toomer,** Leadership and Non-Instructional Development Director, Broward County Public Schools

PANEL: Building the Capacity of Principals: 5-Year Principal Induction Program

**Ann Clark,** Superintendent, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools **Jevelyn Bonner-Reed,** Director of Human Recourses Strategic Initiatives, Director of Principal Pipeline Initiative, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools



Management

**FACILITATOR: Stephen Fink,** Executive Director and Affiliate Professor, University of Washington, Center for Educational Leadership

### TALK IT OUT: USING RESTORATIVE JUSTICE TO REDUCE URBAN SCHOOL DISCIPLINE AND ARRESTS

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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PANEL: Rebuilding the Foundation to Student Academic Success: A Positive Behavior Support Strategy Map

**Tammie Workman,** Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, Atlanta Public Schools **Vickie Cleveland,** Executive Director Special Education, Atlanta Public Schools **Nicole Spiller,** Director of Student and Intervention Support, Atlanta Public Schools



PANEL: Eliminating the School-to-Prison Pipeline

**Michaelle Pope**, Executive Director, Broward County Public Schools **Amalio Nieves**, Director, Broward County Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Linda Young, Board Member, Clark County School District

### UNIFORM POLICIES: IDENTIFYING COMMON REFORMS IN SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL SYSTEMS

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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PANEL: How Do the Top-performing School Systems in the World Consistently Produce High-achieving Students?

Bobby Moore, Senior Director Strategic Engagement, Battelle for Kids John Hussey, Chief Strategy Officer, Battelle for Kids Tony Bagshaw, Managing Director, Battelle for Kids Todd Hellman, Managing Director, Battelle for Kids Mark Hartman, Managing Director, Battelle for Kids



### LAY OF THE LAND: EFFECTIVE STRATEGIC PLANNING TO ADVANCE URBAN DISTRICTS

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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PANEL: Transformational Planning for the Future in Urban Districts: The Dallas Independent School District Plan

Michael Hinojosa, Interim Superintendent of Schools, Dallas Independent School District



**PANEL: Master Planning for Innovation** 

**Scott Fritz,** Chief Academic Officer, Orange County Public Schools **Gina Tovine,** Associate Superintendent, Research, Accountability and Grants, Orange County Public Schools

**FACILITATOR: Jennifer Arneson, Board Member, Minneapolis Public Schools** 

### CONNECTING THE DOTS: GREAT CITY SCHOOLS EFFORTS TO ALIGN MULTI-TIERED SYSTEMS OF SUPPORT

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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**PANEL: Systems of Tiered Supports** 

**Linda Chen,** Chief Academic Officer, Baltimore City Public Schools **Theresa Jones,** Chief Achievement and Accountability Officer, Baltimore City Public Schools **Laurie-Lynn Sutton,** Director, School Transformation and Turnaround, Baltimore City Public Schools

PANEL: Building Bridges: How to Connect Frameworks Utilizing a Single District Culture to Ensure High Quality Behavioral Supports

**June Z. Eassa,** Director of Safe Schools, School District of Palm Beach County **Keith Oswald,** Chief Academic Officer, School District of Palm Beach County

PANEL: Wichita's System-wide Reform Through MTSS: Maintenance & Sustainability

John Allison, Superintendent, Wichita Public Schools Bill Faflick, Assistant Superintendent, Wichita Public Schools Alicia Thompson, Assistant Superintendent, Wichita Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Tommy Chang, Superintendent, Boston Public Schools

THE WONDER YEARS: SUPPORTING STEM IN URBAN MIDDLE SCHOOLS

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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PANEL: e3: Engage, Empower, Explore for Middle School Achievement

**Dan Wray,** Chief Technology Officer, Clark County School District **Loretta Asay,** Coordinator, Institute of Technology, Clark County School District

**PANEL: Accelerating STEM Education in Middle School Science** 

**Jenny Christian,** STEM Science Director, Dallas Independent School District **Stej Sanchez,** STEM Math Director, Dallas Independent School District

**FACILITATOR: Happy Haynes,** Board Member, Denver Public Schools



### BUILDING BLOCKS OF SUCCESS FOR EARLY LEARNERS IN THE GREAT CITY SCHOOLS

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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**PANEL: Effective Early Literacy Support in Philadelphia** 

Rodney Johnson, Director of Early Literacy, School District of Philadelphia





PANEL: Prevention vs. Intervention: How Bringing Head Start to a Large Urban School System Impacts Kindergarten Readiness

Amy Allen, Transformational Leader of Early Childhood and Special Education, Toledo Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Lacey Merica, Board Member, Omaha Public Schools

# Thursday, October 8

# **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

### **Executive Committee Meeting**

**4:30 pm - 5:30 pm**Seaview C - Ist Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **Cocktail Reception**

**6:00 pm - 7:00 pm**Regency Foyer - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

## 26th Annual Green-Garner Awards Banquet (Semi-Formal Attire)

**7:00 pm - 9:00 pm**Regency Ballroom - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

Master of Ceremonies: Felton Williams, Board President, Long Beach Unified School District

### **Green-Garner Award Finalist:**

Cindy Elsbernd, Des Moines Public Schools
Perla Tabares Hantman, Miami-Dade County Public Schools
William Isler, Pittsburgh Public Schools
Bill Sublette, Orange County Public Schools

9:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Dance to the sounds of the Chazzee Music

Reaching Back to Go Forward: An exciting journey of music from the 1960's to the present.

### **Hospitality Suite**

9:00 pm - 11:00 pm Seaview Rotunda - 1st Floor - Hyatt Regency

### Friday, October 9, 2015

### **Conference Registration**

**7:00 am - 4:00 pm**Seaview B - Ist Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **Urban Schools Resource Display**

8:00 am - 4:00 pm Seaview B - 1st Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **Internet Business Café**

8:00 am - 4:00 pm Seaview A - 1st Floor - Hyatt Regency

# **General Session C: Breakfast and Speaker, José Hernandez, Former NASA Astronaut**

7:30 am - 9:00 am

Regency Ballroom - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

Entertainment: Long Beach Millikan High School Jazz Big Band under the direction of Tom Mitter

**Announcement of Queen Smith Award** 

### **Concurrent Session V**

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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LOCALLY SOURCED: BUILDING INSTRUCTIONAL AND LEADERSHIP CAPACITY IN URBAN SCHOOLS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Developing a Leadership Pipeline: Expanding the Reach of Leaders at Every Level from Teacher Leader to Instructional Superintendent

**Scott Thompson,** Deputy Chief of Human Capital for Teacher Effectiveness, District of Columbia Public Schools **Hilary Darilek,** Deputy Chief of Human Capital for Principal Effectiveness, District of Columbia Public Schools

PANEL: The Urban Teacher Leader Academy: Developing Teacher Leaders Together Through Differentiated Professional Development

**Rebecca West Burns,** Assistant Professor, University of South Florida **Woodland Johnson,** Principal, Hillsborough County Public Schools **Debra Mills,** Elementary Generalist, Hillsborough County Public Schools



FACILITATOR: Barbara Jenkins, Superintendent, Orange County Public Schools

# EFFECTIVE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR INCREASING URBAN STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND ATTENDANCE

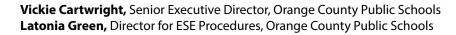
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PANEL: Eliminating Barriers to Chronic Truancy and Absenteeism: A Long Beach Unified School District Approach

**Tiffany Brown,** Assistant Superintendent, Long Beach Unified School District **Erin M. Simon,** Director, Long Beach Unified School District

**PANEL: Suspension Rate Monitoring and Interventions for SWD** 



FACILITATOR: Ronald Lee, Board Member, Dayton Public Schools



# PERFECT HARMONY: HOW TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS WORK TOGETHER TO SERVE URBAN STUDENTS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: The Impact and Influence of an Urban Elementary School's Whole-Child Education and Full-Service School Model

**Roger Harris,** President, Boston Renaissance Charter Public School **Jinhui Xu,** Director of Global Outreach, Boston Renaissance Charter Public School **Evelyn Lee,** Director of Performing Arts, Boston Renaissance Charter Public School



**PANEL: Board of Education Partnership with Charter Schools** 

Denise W. Link, Board of Education Chair, Cleveland Municipal School District

FACILITATOR: Marnell Cooper, Board Member, Baltimore City Public Schools

### CLIFFHANGER: WHAT WILL HAPPEN IN CONGRESS BEFORE THE END OF THE SESSION

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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**PANEL:** Legislative Session



Jeff Simering, Director of Legislative Services, Council of the Great City Schools

Manish Naik, Manager of Legislative Services, Council of the Great City Schools

Julie Wright-Halbert, Legislative Counsel, Council of the Great City Schools

Gabriela Uro, Director, English Language Learner Policy and Research, Council of the Great City Schools

FACILITATOR: Steve Zimmer, Board President, Los Angeles Unified School District

### HIGHER LEARNING: PLUGGING URBAN STUDENTS INTO THE TOOLS FOR COLLEGE SUCCESS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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**PANEL: SWAGG** 

**Paul Cruz,** Superintendent, Austin Independent School District **Mary L. Thomas,** Project Director, Austin Independent School District **Sterling Lands, II,** Community Advocate, Austin Independent School District



Peter Davis, Assistant Superintendent Secondary Schools, Long Beach Unified School District Cynthia Bater, Linked Learning Project Administrator, Long Beach Unified School District Amy Smith, Manager, Career Pathways, Long Beach City College Regina Cash, Director, Professional Programs, California State University, Long Beach April Barnes, Executive Director, Long BeachCALL

FACILITATOR: Deborah Shanley, Dean, Brooklyn College



9:15 am - 10:30 am

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**PANEL: Creating & Maintaining Board Discipline** 

**Airick Leonard West,** Board Member, Kansas City Public Schools **Cindy Elsbernd,** Board Chair, Des Moines Public Schools

PANEL: Superintendent and Board Evaluation Systems Aligned to the Strategic Plan

**Larry Nyland,** Superintendent, Seattle Public Schools **Sharon Peaslee,** Board Director, Seattle Public Schools **Erinn Bennett,** Director of Policy, Board Relations & Special Projects, Seattle Public Schools

**FACILITATOR: Carole Smith,** Superintendent, Portland Public Schools







### SURVEY SAYS? WHAT THE DATA IS SAYING ABOUT URBAN TEACHER EFFECTIVENESS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Lessons Learned in Using Student Learning Objectives



**Karen Thompson,** Deputy Chief, Curriculum & Instruction, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Julie Snipes-Rea**, Accountability Administrator, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Lisa Lachlan**, Principal Researcher, American Institutes for Research

PANEL: Exploring and Using Data from Teacher Evaluation Systems

Michelle Hudacsko, Deputy Chief, IMPACT, District of Columbia Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Paula Wright, Board Member, Duval County Public Schools

### MAPPING THE COURSE: THE BENEFITS OF DISTRICT PLANNING FOR URBAN AND SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Improving Achievement Beyond Expected Student Targets (BEST)

Valerie Wanza, School Performance and Accountability Director, Broward County Public Schools

Dan Gohl, Chief Academic Officer, Broward County Public Schools

Kathy Sullivan, Professional Development Standards and Support Director, Broward County Public Schools

PANEL: Collaborative Capacity Building Approach to Increase Students with Special Needs' Attainment of the Common Core State Standards

**Melissa Ferrante**, Inclusive Practices Coach, Sacramento City Unified School District **Amie Choi**, Math Training Specialist, Sacramento City Unified School District **Iris Taylor**, Interim Chief Academic Officer, Sacramento City Unified School District



**PANEL: Leading Exceptional Schools** 

**Drew Houlihan,** Chief Academic Officer, Houston Independent School District **Darryl Williams,** Chief Officer, School Leadership, Houston Independent School District

FACILITATOR: Michael O'Neill, Chairperson, School Committee, Boston Public Schools

### THE NEXT LEVEL: USING MTSS TO ADDRESS BEHAVIORAL CHALLENGES IN OUR URBAN SCHOOLS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Building a Multi-Tiered System of Support Infrastructure for Behavioral/Mental Health

**Kimberly Wooden,** Deputy Superintendent, Clark County School District **Kristine Minnich,** Assistant Superintendent, Clark County School District **Robert Weires,** Director, Clark County School District

PANEL: Redesigning Discipline and Reducing Arrests

Cynthia Jackson, District Positive Discipline Coordinator, Indianapolis Public Schools

PANEL: RtII/MTSS: A Cross-functional Approach with Academics, Attendance and Behavioral Health Support

Janicka Newbill, Director, Keystone Project, School District of Philadelphia

Maurice West, Director, Attendance & Truancy, School District of Philadelphia

Bridget Taylor-Brown, Director, Prevention & Intervention, School District of Philadelphia

Jan Tong, Technology Program Specialist, School District of Philadelphia



Development

**FACILITATOR: John Allison, Superintendent, Wichita Public Schools** 

# MATCH.COM: CONNECTING URBAN DISTRICTS AND UNIVERSITIES FOR HIGH QUALITY DATA ANALYSIS AND EVAULATIONS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Designing Research for Action from the Start: Lessons from the Partnership between Stanford University and San Francisco Unified School District

**Guadalupe Guerrero,** Deputy Superintendent, San Francisco Unified School District **Norma Ming,** Supervisor of Research, San Francisco Unified School District **Ritu Khanna,** Assistant Superintendent of Research, Planning, and Accountability, San Francisco Unified School District



Laura Wentworth, Director of the Stanford/SFUSD Partnership, California Education Partners

**PANEL:** Using On-Track Trajectories to Narrow Achievement Gaps

Ron Rode, Director of Research and Development, San Diego Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Kim K. Metcalf, Professor and Dean, College of Education, University of Nevada Las Vegas

### DON'T LEAVE HOME WITHOUT IT: IMPLEMENTING 1:1 TECHNOLOGY IN URBAN SCHOOLS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Title I and Technology: Improving Student Achievement One Device at a Time

Ilana Jones, Director Title I Services, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools

**PANEL: Enable the Digital Dividend** 

John Krull, Oakland Unified School District

**FACILITATOR: William Sublette, Board Member, Orange County Public Schools** 

### ENGINEERED BY DESIGN: INNOVATIVE STEM INITIATIVES IN OUR GREAT CITY SCHOOLS

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: STEM Everywhere: The Dallas ISD Elementary 2 Engineers Initiative

Roland Antoine, STEM Educational Technology Director, Dallas Independent School District

PANEL: DC Public Schools App Design Challenge

Natalie Foglia, Specialist, Family Engagement, District of Columbia Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Cal Johnson, Board Member, Fresno Unified School District

# COLLABORATING FOR SUCCESS: THE IMPACT OF DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS ON URBAN STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

9:15 am - 10:30 am

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PANEL: Establishing a Sustainable Framework for Community Schools

**Analee Maestas,** Vice President, Board of Education, Albuquerque Public Schools **José Muñoz,** Executive Director, Albuquerque/Bernalillo Community Schools Partnership

**PANEL: Leading in Literacy** 

**Sandee Donald,** Executive Director, Office of Teaching and Learning, Columbus City Schools **Leslie Kelly,** Director of Curriculum, Columbus City Schools **Kelly Golsby,** Lead K-5 Reading Coordinator, Columbus City Schools

PANEL: Milwaukee Public Schools Community Schools Initiative

**Ann Terrell,** Director, MPS Foundation, Milwaukee Public Schools **Felice Beal,** Principal, Auer Avenue School, Milwaukee Public Schools **Danielle Costello,** Family and Community Engagement Specialist, Milwaukee Public Schools

**FACILITATOR: William Isler,** Board Member, Pittsburgh Public Schools







# **Concurrent Session VI**

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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DISTRICT OVERHAUL: NOTEWORTHY SHIFTS IN URBAN DISTRICT TURNAROUND 10:45 am – 12:15 pm 101 A – 1st Floor – Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center

Leadership, Governance and Management

**PANEL:** Transforming an Urban School District

**Darnell Earley, Emergency Manager/Superintendent, Detroit Public Schools** 

PANEL: Shifting the Winds of Political and Public Support: A Model for School District Public Engagement

Fonda Sutton, Deputy Chief of Staff for Intergovernmental Affairs, District of Columbia Public Schools

PANEL: Moneyball and K-12 - The Data and "Playbook" Used To Make High Stakes Decisions Across a Large School District

**William Hite,** Superintendent, School District of Philadelphia **Naomi Wyatt,** Chief of Staff, School District of Philadelphia **Jura Chung,** Chief Performance Officer, School District of Philadelphia

FACILITATOR: Michael Hanson, Superintendent, Fresno Unified School District

UNIQUE INSTRUCTIONAL APPROACHES FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS AND EDUCATORS IN URBAN SCHOOLS

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PANEL: The Path toward Globalization in Houston ISD

**Gracie Guerrero,** Assistant Superintendent for Multilingual Programs, Houston Independent School District **Hannah Mose Harvey,** Principal, Houston Independent School District

PANEL: Measuring Quality Implementation for English Learner Pathways

Christina Mei-Yue Wong, Special Assistant to the Superintendent, San Francisco Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Donald Duran, Board Member, Albuquerque Public Schools

### HOW URBAN SCHOOLS ARE MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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**PANEL: Power of One Institute** 



Mary L. Thomas, Project Director, State and Federal Accountability, Austin Independent School District

**PANEL: Supporting the Needs of Advanced Learners in an Urban Context** 

Pamela Lovett, GATE Coordinator, Long Beach Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Lawrence Feldman, Board Member, Miami-Dade County Public Schools



### WE'VE GOT CLASS: PRINCIPAL LEADERSHIP TRAININGS THAT WORK IN URBAN SCHOOLS DISTRICTS

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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PANEL: The Chicago Principal Fellowship Program: Leadership for the Future of CPS

Janice K. Jackson, Chief Education Officer, Chicago Public Schools

Chaula Gupta, Vice President, Program Investments, The Chicago Public Education

PANEL: Growing Your Own: DC Public Schools

**Hilary Darilek,** Deputy Chief, Principal Effectiveness, District of Columbia Public Schools **Harry Hughes,** Instructional Superintendent, District of Columbia Public Schools

PANEL: Academy for Leveraging Leadership (ALL)

**Lori McEwen,** Chief of Instruction, Leadership and Equity (CILE), Providence Public School District **Dorothy Smith,** Executive Director of Elementary School Support, Providence Public School District **Scott Sutherland,** Principal, Providence Public School District

FACILITATOR: Kameron Perez-Verdia, Board Member, Anchorage School District

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE? STUDYING THE DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS AND CULTURES OF URBAN STUDENTS 10:45 am – 12:15 pm

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**PANEL: Seeking Cultural Relevant, Diverse and Empowering Complex Texts** 

**Brian Pick,** Chief of Teaching and Learning, District of Columbia Public Schools

PANEL: The Causal Effects of Cultural Relevance: Evidence from an Ethnic Studies Curriculum

**Emily K. Penner,** Post-doctoral Fellow, Center for Education Policy Analysis, Stanford University **Bill W. Sanderson,** Assistant Superintendent of High Schools, San Francisco Unified School District



Refugee

FACILITATOR: Patti Radle, Board Member, San Antonio Independent School District

STAYING FOCUSED: HOW URBAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE PREPARING STUDENTS FOR THE NEEDS OF COLLEGE AND THE WORKFORCE

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PANEL: Linked Learning: Educational Equity and Access for Urban School Youth

Corinne Martinez, Associate Professor, California State University, Long Beach Jared Stallones, Professor, California State University, Long Beach Olga Rubio, Professor, California State University, Long Beach Betina Hsieh, Assistant Professor, California State University, Long Beach Sandy Rogers, Instructor, California State University, Long Beach



**David Harrison,** President, Columbus State Community College **Jason Johnson,** Columbus City Schools

**PANEL: Career & Technical Education Redesign** 

Benjamin Carter, Director of Career & Technical Education, Indianapolis Public Schools

**FACILITATOR: Stephen Fink**, Executive Director and Affiliate Professor, University of Washington, Center for Educational Leadership



SMART TALK: BUILDING ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTIVE CONVERSATION SKILLS IN URBAN SCHOOLS

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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**PANEL: ELD Standards Implementation: From Action Research to Classroom Resources** 

**Hilda Maldonado**, Executive Director, Los Angeles Unified School District **Maricela Sanchez-Robles**, Administrative Coordinator, Los Angeles Unified School District **Isabel Aguirre**, English Learner Expert, Los Angeles Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Michael Hinojosa, Interim Superintendent of Schools, Dallas Independent School District



WHAT'S TRENDING? ANALYZING URBAN STUDENT PERFORMANCE DATA TO STRENGTHEN POST-SECONDARY SUCCESS

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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PANEL: College and Career Readiness: Integrating Rigorous Academics and Work-based Learning via Career Pathways

**Iris Taylor,** Interim Chief Academic Officer, Sacramento Unified School District **Lily Liemthonsamout,** Coordinator, Linked Learning, Sacramento Unified School District

PANEL: Data Based, Decision Making in School-to-Work Programs

**Kimberly Steinke,** Senior Director for ESE, Orange County Public Schools **Cannon Cameron,** Program Specialist, Orange County Public Schools

FACILITATOR: Terry Grier, Superintendent, Houston Independent School District



and Facilities

# **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

REROUTING: CHANGING THE TRAJECTORY OF STRUGGLING URBAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

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**PANEL:** Building Effective Schools by Design, Not By Chance

**Jeffrey Geihs,** Assistant Chief Student Achievement Officer, Clark County School District

PANEL: Quality Education for All (QEA): Transforming Duval County's Lowest Performing Schools

**Iranetta Wright,** Assistant Superintendent, Duval County Public Schools

PANEL: Scaling Up School Networks as a Strategy for Improving Struggling Schools

**Eve Arbogast,** Supervisor, Elementary Division, San Francisco Unified School District **Brent Stephens,** Chief Academic Officer, San Francisco Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Carol Voss, Board Member, Milwaukee Public Schools





**Jody London,** Vice President, Board of Education, Oakland Unified Schol District **Bernard McCune,** Deputy Chief, Office of Postsecondary Readiness, Oakland Unified School District

PANEL: Ensuring Every Dollar Counts: A Public-Private Partnership to Deliver Greater Value to Students and Taxpayers

**Kim Wooden,** Deputy Superintendent, Clark County School District **Pat Skorkowsky,** Superintendent, Clark County School District

PANEL: A New Approach to Projecting Enrollment for Student-Based Budgeting

**Matthew Linick,** Data Strategist, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Nicholas D'Amico,** Executive Director of School Performance, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

FACILITATOR: Kelley Castlin-Gacutan, Superintendent, Birmingham City Schools



PROFESSIONAL LEARNING: EMPOWERING TEACHERS TO SUCCEED IN THE URBAN CLASSROOM 10:45 am – 12:15 pm

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PANEL: Integration of Standards and Pedagogy in Professional Learning

Professional Development

Kathryn Sullivan, Director of Professional Development Standards and Support, Broward County Public Schools

**PANEL: Innovative Professional Learning** 

Jennifer Carr, Administrator, Ipl, Fresno Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Sajit Zachariah, Dean, Education and Human Services, Cleveland State University

# GOOD IDEAS: STRENGTHENING SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN URBAN SCHOOLS THROUGH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REVIEWS

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

202 B - 2nd Floor - Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center

PANEL: ELLs with Disabilities: Lessons from the Front



**Julie Wright Halbert**, Legislative Counsel, Council of the Great City Schools **Sue Gamm**, Consultant, Council of the Great City Schools **Sowmya Kumar**, Assistant Superintendent, Houston Independent School District

FACILITATOR: Marian Fey, Board Member, Omaha Public Schools

# DID YOU SAY SOMETHING? HEARING STUDENT VOICES IN OUR URBAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS 10:45 am – 12:15 pm

202 C - 2nd Floor - Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center



PANEL: Student Advisory Committees - The Importance of Student Voice in the District Improvement Journey

**Eric Gordon,** Chief Executive Officer, Cleveland Metropolitan School District **Denine Goolsby,** Executive Director, Humanware, Cleveland Metropolitan School District

PANEL: Adding Student Voice to District and School Leadership

Dana Kriznar, Assistant Superintendent, Duval County Public Schools

PANEL: A Student Leadership Program In the Long Beach Unified School District

Kimberly Johnson, District Female Leadership Academy Coordinator, Long Beach Unified School District

FACILITATOR: Analee Maestas, Board Member, Albuquerque Public Schools

# Friday, October 9

# **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

### **General Session D: Lunch and Speaker, Fareed Zakaria, CNN Host**

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Regency Ballroom - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

Entertainment: Long Beach Polytechnic High School Chamber Orchestra, under the director of Andrew Osman

# **General Session E: Town Hall Meeting**

2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Regency Ballroom - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

### Topic: "Urban Students Speak Out on Education, Race and Their Futures"

Moderator: Maria Hinojosa, National Public Radio

Panel: Ethan Ambrose, New York City Public Schools I 2th-Grader

Cornelius Ray, Jr., New York City Public Schools 12th-Grader Mai Sinada, San Francisco Unified School District 11th-Grader Hatim Mansori, San Francisco Unified School District 12th-Grader Floyd Johnson, Long Beach Unified School District 12th-Grader Vanndearlyn Vong, Long Beach Unified School District 11th-Grader Carlos Medina, Long Beach Unified School District 12th-Grader

### **Great City Colleges of Education Meeting**

4:15 pm - 5:00 pm

Regency EF - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **Pre-event Tours at the Queen Mary**

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Shuttle service is provided from the front lobby entrance of the Hyatt Regency Hotel to the Queen Mary for pre-event tours.

# Reception at the Queen Mary

**6:30 pm - 8:30 pm** 1126 Queens Highway Long Beach, CA 90802

**Entertainment (Queen Mary Entrance):** Long Beach Jordan High School Panther Percussion and Spirit Squad, under the direction of Ronald Scipio

Entertainment (Queen Mary Salon): Denean Dyson and The Soul Foundation

### **Hospitality Suite**

9:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Seaview Rotunda - 1st Floor - Hyatt Regency

# Saturday, October 10, 2015

### **Breakfast Buffet**

8:00 am - 9:00 am

202 BC - 2nd Floor - Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center

### Shipping Center - ship your materials home at no cost

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Regency EF - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **Board of Directors Meeting**

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

203 ABC - 2nd Floor - Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center

### Legislative Directors Lunch and Meeting (Council members only)

12:30 pm - 3:00 pm

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### Fall Conference Planning Meeting & Lunch (Planners only)

12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

202 A - 2nd Floor - Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center

6:15 pm-Walk to Cafe Sevilla

## Farewell Dinner at Cafe Sevilla

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

140 Pine Ave

Long Beach, CA 90802

Entertainment: DJ A-Ron (Ron Andaya)

# Sunday, October 11, 2015

### **Breakfast and Closing Session**

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Regency EF - 4th Floor - Hyatt Regency

### **A**djourn

10:00 am