

Annual Academic, Information Technology, and Research Conference

for

**Information Technology Leaders, Curriculum Leaders, Research and
Assessment Directors, Principal Supervisors**



Collaborating to Solve Organizational Issues for Student Success

July 11-14, 2017

Pittsburgh, PA

Omni William Penn Hotel

The Council of the Great City Schools invites you to the Second Annual Academic, Information Technology, and Research Conference. The focus of this year's conference is overcoming organizational issues in order to improve student success. We are building upon previous work that focused on improving collaboration across departments and roles within school districts. Throughout the conference, you will have a chance to hear from peers who are developing promising practices and strategies for success. Woven throughout the conference will be opportunities to synthesize concrete actions to help your district. The meeting will include an in-depth update on the status of ESSA implications for members. There will also be role-alike concurrent sessions that provide thorough discussions of specific technology, data dashboard repositories, ESSA benchmarking, the features of quality district curriculum support, key areas that are often missing from reading programs, new CGCS on-line professional development modules to address struggling readers, and planning for a K-12 computer science program. We encourage districts to bring cross departmental teams that include: informational technology leaders, academic leaders, research and assessment leaders, principal supervisors, and others in these functional areas.

Preliminary Academic and Research Agenda

Tuesday, July 11, 2017, 7:00AM – 5:00PM

7:00AM – 9:00 AM	Breakfast, Welcome, Agenda Overview and “Connecting the Dots”
9:30AM-12:00PM	Concurrent Sessions/District Presentations
12:15PM – 1:15PM	Lunch
1:30PM – 5:00PM	Concurrent Sessions/District Presentations
5:00 PM	Reception

Wednesday, July 12, 2017, 7:00AM – 5:00PM

7:00AM – 8:15AM	Breakfast
8:30AM – 12:00AM	Concurrent Sessions/District Presentations
12:15AM – 1:15PM	Lunch
1:30PM – 5:00PM	Concurrent Sessions/District Presentations/Legislative Update

Thursday, July 13, 2017, 7:00AM – 5:00PM

7:00AM – 8:15AM	Breakfast
8:30AM – 10:00AM	General Session “Connecting the Dots” – (Jesus Jara, Deputy Superintendent, Michael Eugene, Chief Operating Officer, and Barbara Jenkins (TBD), Orange County Public Schools,
10:15AM – 12:00PM	Share Out & Reflection (PCG Facilitator)
12:00PM – 1:30PM	Lunch
1:30PM – 3:00PM	Panel Discussion (PCG Facilitator)
3:30PM – 5:00PM	Reflection Discussion (PCG Facilitator)

Friday, July 14, 2017, 8:00AM – 12:00PM

7:00AM – 8:15AM	Breakfast
8:30AM – 12:00PM	Concurrent Sessions/District Presentations
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