

2016 BIRE Conference

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Participants will have the opportunity to hold tabletop discussions on topics of importance. Participants will be asked to identify the three most pressing needs related to their topic of discussion. The sign-up sheet is posted at the registration table.

List of topics:

- ELD/ESL Standards implementation
- Initial Identification & Exiting of ELLs—Process and Criteria
- ELL Access to Gifted and Talented
- ELD Delivery models/curriculum for ELLs in High School
- ELLs with Special needs
- Time to English Proficiency
- Curriculum Resources and Tools
- Supports and intervention programs for ELLs
- OCR reviews

Discussion notes will be posted on flipchart paper to allow for a gallery walk for other participants to add their thoughts.

Make sure to sign up for a discussion on a topic that interests you!

Agenda

School Visits: Tuesday, May 10 (school districts only)

Time	Session
6:30am-7:30am 7:45am	Breakfast with Anchorage School District (DISTRICTS ONLY) Buses depart Lakefront Anchorage Hotel Lunch provided at school sites.
3:30pm-4:30pm	School visits debrief at the Lakefront Anchorage Hotel (Redington Ballroom, all invited)
5:00pm - 6:30pm	Pre-briefing & appreciation dinner for BIRE presenters and moderators (Lake Splenard)

DAY 1: Wednesday, May 11

Conference Information

Date: May 10-14, 2016

Location: The Lakefront Anchorage Hotel

4800 Spenard Rd, Anchorage, AK 99517

Organizer: Council of the Great City Schools

Who Should Attend?

- ELL Directors, Title III Teams, Research Directors

Sponsors

Gold

- Benchmark Education
- Curriculum Associates

Time	Session
6:00am-4:00pm	Registration
6:30am-7:30am	Breakfast
7:30am-8:00am	Welcome Opening Comments by Ed Graff and Gabriela Uro
8:00am-8:15am	Introduction and Meeting Goals
8:15am-9:15am	Anchorage Welcome and Initiatives to Integrate Immigrant Communities by Mayor Ethan Berkowitz and First Lady of Anchorage Dr. Mara Kimmel
9:15am-10:45am	ELL Program Implementation & Professional Development: Challenges and Opportunities
10:45am-12:15pm	Tying it all together: Innovative Lesson Design, Materials, and Tasks in Boston Public Schools
12:15pm-1:15pm	Lunch
1:15pm-2:00pm	Improving Instructional Materials for ELLs: A Project Update
2:00pm-3:00pm	Open Educational Resources (OER): Panel Discussion
3:00pm-4:30pm	Improving Mathematics instruction for ELLs: The Intersection of Language and Mathematical Understanding
4:30pm-6:00pm	Welcome Reception at Lakefront Anchorage (Flying Machine Restaurant & Patio)

- McGraw Hill Education
- Pearson

Silver

- ELlevation Education
- Houghton Mifflin Harcourt
- Imagine Learning
- Scholastic

Bronze

- Teacher Created Materials
- Vantage Learning

DAY 2: Thursday, May 12

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Time	Session
6:00am-4:00pm	Registration
6:30 am-7:30 am	Breakfast
7:30am-9:00 am	Partnerships in Support of Indigenous Languages
9:00am-10:30am	Strengthening Refugee Support Through Partnerships
10:30am-10:45am	Break
10:45 am-12:00pm	Schools that Work for ELLs: High Schools & Newcomer Centers
12:00 pm-1:00pm	Lunch

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2:45pm- 3:45pm	<p>Break-out Sessions</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>#1</th> <th>#2</th> <th>#3</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>New ELL Directors: Networking and Building Capacity</td> <td>ONPAR Project</td> <td>Tabletop Discussions</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	#1	#2	#3	New ELL Directors: Networking and Building Capacity	ONPAR Project	Tabletop Discussions
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3:45pm- 4:00pm	Announcement of Winners of the Publisher Passport Activity						
4:45pm- 8:30pm	<p>Tour Reception/Dinner Celebration at Alaska Native Heritage Center</p> <p>Buses Depart Hotel at 4:45pm.</p>						

DAY 3: Friday, May 13

Time	Session
6:30am	Breakfast
7:30am- 8:30am	Trending Issues: Assessment of ELLs
8:30am- 10:00am	Developing a Master Plan: What is your ELL Program? What do you want it to be?
10:00am- 10:15am	Break
10:15am- 12:00pm	Evaluation and Feedback of Instructional Materials
12:00pm- 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm- 3:00pm	ESSA Implementation Issues and Work Session
3:00pm- 4:00pm	District Materials Gallery
5:00pm- 8:00pm	BIRE Programmed Activities

DAY 4: Saturday, May 14

Time	Session
7:00am	Breakfast
8:00am-9:00am	<i>New Council Tool: A Guide for Judging District-Level Implementation of College and Career-Readiness Standards</i>
9:00am-10:00am	2016 BIRE Debrief
11:00am-7:00pm	BIRE Programmed Activities