CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

COUNCIL OF THE GREAT CITY SCHOOLS 2021 Conference Schedule

Executive Committee Virtual Meeting January 22 & 23, 2021

HRD/Personnel Directors Virtual Meeting February 16-19, 2021

> Legislative/Policy Conference March 20-23, 2021

The Mayflower Hotel, Washington, DC

Chief Operating Officers Conference April 2021

Bilingual Directors Meeting

May 11-15, 2021 Embassy Suites by Hilton San Antonio Riverwalk San Antonio, TX

Curriculum & Research Directors' Meeting
June 2021

Public Relations Executives Hybrid Meeting July 11-14, 2021 New Orleans, LA

Executive Committee Meeting

July 9-10, 2021 The Nines Portland Portland, OR

Annual Fall Conference

October 20-24, 2021 Sheraton Philadelphia Hotel, Philadelphia, PA

October 19-23, 2022 Hyatt Regency Grant Cypress, Orlando, FL

Chief Financial Officers Conference November 2021

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONFERENCE 2021

COUNCIL OF THE GREAT CITY SCHOOLS

2021 Annual Fall Conference

Hosted by The School District of Philadelphia

October 20-24, 2021

CONFERENCE HOTEL:

Philadelphia 201 Hotel 201 N 17th Street Philadelphia, PA 19103 Telephone: 215-448-2000

GROUP RATE: \$229/night for Single and Double Occupancy

Plus 16.37% tax

Just two blocks from the Pennsylvania Convention Center, this downtown hotel is a 2-minute walk from Logan Square and within walking distance of Love Park, the Franklin Institute and the iconic Philadelphia Museum of Art.

Traditional rooms offer Wi-Fi (fee) and flat-screen TVs. There's an atrium restaurant that serves light meals and cocktails, and a cafe that's open for breakfast. Other amenities include an indoor pool, an exercise room and 58,000 square feet of meeting space, including a rooftop ballroom.





COUNCIL OF THE GREAT CITY SCHOOLS

2022 ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

Hosted by the ORANGE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Orlando, FL OCTOBER 19-23, 2022

CONFERENCE HOTEL: Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress One Grand Cypress Blvd. Orlando, Florida, 32836 Telephone: (407) 239-1234

GROUP RATE: \$235/night for Single and Double Occupancy, Plus 12.5% tax

An outdoor lover's dream, this resort sits on 1,500 lush acres with a private lake, tennis courts, and a unique lagoon-style pool. Tee off at a Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course or unwind at the spa. The hotel also offers scheduled shuttles to Walt Disney World® Resort, Universal Orlando Resort™, and SeaWorld® Orlando.

Guest rooms come outfitted for relaxation with Hyatt Grand Beds™ and chaise lounges, specialty bath products, and step-out balconies. Enjoy great dining at on-site restaurants like Hemingways, Market, and the Lake House Restaurant, or get a small plate and signature cocktail at one of the hotel's popular bars.





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January 17, 2020

Michael Casserly, Executive Director Council of the Great City Schools 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W., Suite 1100N Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Casserly:

On behalf of the San Diego Unified School District, we would like to express our interest in hosting the October 2023 Council of the Great City Schools Annual Fall Conference in San Diego, California. It would be a great honor to once again host this conference and highlight all of the important work being done in our schools! We have made significant progress since hosting in 2006, and are excited to showcase our many successes.

We appreciate this opportunity to show the pride we have in our students, schools, and community, and we look forward to collaborating.

Sincerely,

John Lee Evans

Board President

COUNCIL OF THE GREAT CITY SCHOOLS

2024 Annual Fall Conference

Hosted by Dallas Independent School District

October 16-20, 2024

CONFERENCE HOTEL:

Sheraton Dallas Hotel 400 North Olive Street Dallas, TX 75201

Telephone: 214-922-8000

GROUP RATE: \$234/night for Single and Double

Occupancy Plus 15.26% tax

Set in the Arts District, this upscale hotel is a 3-minute walk from the Pearl Street/Arts District light rail station, and a 7-minute walk from shopping at the landmark Neiman Marcus Building.

Streamlined rooms have flat-screen TVs and Wi-Fi (fee), plus work desks with ergonomic chairs. They also have minifridges and coffeemakers. Club rooms provide access to a lounge with complimentary continental breakfast, all-day snacks and evening appetizers. Room service is available.

Amenities include a casual restaurant, a cafe and a sports lounge, as well as a fitness center and an outdoor pool. There's also meeting space and a 24/7 business center.





OFFICE OF THE MAYOR MARTIN J. WALSH

January 15, 2020

Michael Casserly
Executive Director
Council of Great City Schools
1301 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 702
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Michael:

The Boston Public Schools and the City of Boston would enthusiastically welcome the opportunity to serve as the host city and school district for the 2024 annual conference of the Council of Great City Schools.

As the home of the nation's first public school district, Boston and the Boston Public Schools offer a rich history of change and progress over time. With a freshly developed strategic plan, unprecedented new education investments from Mayor Walsh and passage of the Student Opportunity Act, Massachusetts' historic new funding and accountability law, Boston Public Schools are poised to make significant progress to ensure all of our students have access to high quality schools and an excellent education that prepares them for success in college, career and life.

From the walkable, history-rich streets of downtown Boston to the booming tech industry, Boston provides a unique opportunity to experience the old and new together. This summer, Boston will serve as the host city for the NAACP's 2020 convention, an event that is estimated to attract 10,000 attendees. The event's planners selected us as the host city not only because of the impactful history of being home to the NAACP's oldest branch, but because of Boston's international reputation as a visitor destination, its rich historical significance, and recent innovations that make our city even more welcoming to visitors.

Hosting the 2024 annual conference in Boston would be an honor. We are confident that the Boston Public Schools and our entire community will make the event a memorable and meaningful experience for conference attendees.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions you may have about our candidacy. We appreciate your consideration and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Martin J. Walsh

Mayor of Boston

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GREATER BOSTON CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

January 13, 2020

Michael Casserly
Executive Director
Council of Great City Schools
1301 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 702
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Michael,

On behalf of the Greater Boston Convention & Visitors Bureau, I want to express how honored we would be to once again host the Council of Great City Schools Annual Conference in the fall of 2024. When we last hosted this event, in 2011, the meeting enjoyed record-breaking attendance. We would be thrilled to welcome the Conference back to Boston during a period when we will be commemorating the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution, and the catalytic events in Boston that ushered in the Revolutionary Era. Educational programming is at the core of how we will mark these important anniversaries.

The fall in Boston is simply spectacular. Our historic parks and urban green spaces pop in myriad hues as our famous foliage takes over the city. Our history and heritage invite exploration, our diverse neighborhoods offer vibrant culture and delicious restaurants, our sports and performing arts calendars begin to heat up, and our iconic museums introduce exciting new exhibitions.

Boston is a walking city where visitors can bask in 4 centuries of history while easily strolling from neighborhood to neighborhood. And Boston is still making history. We are a city of innovation, where institutions of higher education interact with world-class research hospitals, start-up incubators, and life sciences clusters to drive an ecosystem of collaboration and discovery. This buzz of innovation, and these guideposts of the future, are most palpable in Boston's emerging Seaport District, where fun nightlife, great restaurants, and eclectic art galleries exist alongside engines of economic development.

We hope that you will consider returning to Boston for the 2024 Annual Conference of the Council of Great City Schools. We take very seriously our role in this nation's past and future, and education plays a central role in that story. We are very excited about this possibility and look forward to hearing from you. Please don't hesitate to contact me at msheridan@bostonusa.com with any additional questions or follow-up information you may need.

Sincerely,

Martha J. Sheridan President & CEO

Greater Boston Convention & Visitors Bureau