



2023 July National Superintendents Forum

Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld®
Orlando, FL

(Session times may vary; All times are Eastern)

DAY 1: SUNDAY, July 16th

(10:00 am - 6:15 pm) Event Registration

(11:15 am - 12:00 pm) Refreshments & Networking

**Opening Keynote
(12:25 - 1:25 pm)**

Title Coming Soon

SPEAKERS: *Dr. Elizabeth Keenan - Superintendent & Dr. Michael Maclin - Executive Director of DEI & Accessibility, SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ST. LOUIS (MO)*

(1:25 - 1:35 pm)

Delegate Orientation

**Business Meetings
(1:50 - 3:30 pm)**

If no business meetings, time to catch up on any district work.

**Free Time
(2:30 - 3:30 pm)**

(3:30 - 3:45 pm)

Refreshments & Networking

**Roundtables
(3:45 - 4:30 pm)**

Roundtable 1: Transitioning to the Four Day Work Week

LEADER: *Dr. Tonya Knowlton - Superintendent, COMMUNITY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (TX)*

Roundtable 2: Parental & Community Engagement: Let's Get to Work

LEADER: *Dr. Nathan Fisher - Superintendent, ROSELLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (NJ)*

Roundtable 3: Superintendent Contract Negotiations

LEADER: *Dr. Gearl Loden - Superintendent, NIXA PUBLIC SCHOOLS (MO)*

Roundtable 4: Exploring Learning Labs: Innovative Approaches to Supporting Social-Emotional Learning and Academic Growth for All Students

LEADER: *Brad Tuttle - Superintendent, JERSEY COMMUNITY UNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT 100 (IL)*

Roundtable 5: Embracing Inequity: Navigating a Different Path as a Female Superintendent

LEADER: *Dr. Melissa McCooley - Superintendent, PINELANDS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (NJ)*

Roundtable 6: Suicide Prevention & Mental Wellness Needs - A Community Approach to a Community Crisis

LEADER: *CJ Anderson - Superintendent, ELKO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT (NV)*

Roundtable 7: The Tennessee Journey for Improving Early Literacy for All Students

LEADER: *Jerry Boyd - Superintendent, WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS (TN)*

**Workshops
(4:40 - 5:25 pm)**

Workshop 1: Exploring Innovative Pathways in Education: Shifting the Paradigm for Unique Positioning, Growth, and Success

SPEAKER: *Jordan Cox - Superintendent, COMMACK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT (TX)*

Workshop 2: Strategic Staffing to Improve Equitable Outcomes

SPEAKER: *Dr. Jeff Hauswald - Superintendent, MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION (IN)*

(5:25 - 6:30 pm)

Free Time

(6:30 - 9:30 pm)

Welcome Dinner & Drinks

DAY 2: MONDAY, July 17th

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| (7:10 - 7:55 am) | Networking Breakfast |
| Monday Morning Workshops (8:05- 8:50 am) | Building a Recruitment & Retention Toolbox SPEAKER: <i>Dr. Sarah Calveric - Superintendent, CAROLINE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHS (VA)</i> Meaningful School Leadership: Lessons for Improving Equity Through the Lens of Black Families SPEAKER: <i>Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat - Superintendent, PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS (IL)</i> |
| Business Meetings (9:00 - 10:05 am) | More Information on Personalized Schedule |
| Strategy Session (9:10 - 10:10 am) | |
| (10:05 - 10:20 am) | Refreshments & Networking |
| Business Meetings (10:20 - 11:25 am) | Topic Area Coming Soon SPEAKER: <i>Lisa Olson - Superintendent, WHITNALL SCHOOL DISTRICT (WI)</i> |
| District Debrief (10:25 - 11:25 am) | |
| Roundtables (11:35 - 12:20 pm) | Roundtable 1: Artificial Intelligence in Our Schools LEADER: <i>Christopher Swiatek- Superintendent, FRONTIER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (NY)</i> Roundtable 2: The Many Perspectives of Safety & Security in Our Schools LEADER: <i>Dr. Flip Herndon - Superintendent, TUKWILA SCHOOL DISTRICT (WA)</i> Roundtable 3: Building a Culture of Positivity LEADER: <i>Dr. Michael Hynes- Superintendent, PORT WASHINGTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT (NY)</i> Roundtable 4: External Customer Service - The Missing Link to Great School Culture! LEADER: <i>Lori Villanueva - Superintendent, COALINGA-HURON UNIFIED (CA)</i> Roundtable 5: Topic Area Coming Soon Roundtable 6: New Superintendent Struggles: Mom said there would be days like this SPEAKER: <i>Dr. Rochelle Clark - Superintendent, DECATUR SCHOOL DISTRICT 61 (IL)</i> |
| (12:25 - 1:20 pm) | Networking Lunch |
| Workshops (1:25 - 2:10 pm) | Workshop 1: Listen, Learn, Succeed: Leveraging Community Feedback to Drive Student Success SPEAKER: <i>Dr. Tony Lake - Superintendent, LINDBERGH SCHOOLS (MO)</i> Workshop 2: From Mission to Modalities SPEAKER: <i>Dr. Michael Barnes - Superintendent, MAYFIELD CITY (OH)</i> |
| Business Meetings (2:20 - 3:25 pm) | More Information on Personalized Schedule |
| Strategy Session (2:25 - 3:25 pm) | |
| (3:25 - 3:40 pm) | Refreshments & Networking |
| Business Meetings (3:40- 4:45 pm) | If no business meetings, time to catch up on any district work. |
| Free Time (3:45 - 4:45 pm) | |
| Leadership Talk (4:55 - 5:25 pm) | Ready, Set, Grow! Increasing Student Achievement through Culture and Climate LEADER: <i>Tony Willis - Superintendent, DEMOPOLIS CITY (AL)</i> |
| (5:25 - 6:30 pm) | Free Time |
| (6:30 - 9:30 pm) | Networking Dinner & Drinks |

DAY 3: TUESDAY, July 18th

(8:05 - 8:50 am)

Networking Breakfast

**Roundtables
(9:00 - 9:45 am)**

Roundtable 1: **Managing the Politics of the Superintendency**

LEADER: *Keith Sutton - Superintendent, WARREN COUNTY SCHOOLS (NC)*

Roundtable 2: **More Information Coming Soon**

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Roundtable 4: **More Information Coming Soon**

**Business Meetings
(9:55 - 11:00 am)**

More Information on Personalized Schedule

**Design Thinking
(10:00 - 11:00 am)**

(11:00 - 11:15 am)

Grab & Go Lunches

**Keynote Closing
Panel Discussion
(11:15 am - 12:00 pm)**

Addressing the Hidden Impact of COVID-Related Trauma in Our Districts

SPEAKERS:

Dr. Mike Looney - Superintendent, FULTON COUNTY SCHOOLS (GA),

Dr. Melissa McCooley - Superintendent, PINELANDS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (NJ)

Dr. Pamela Adams-Watkins - Exceptional Children Executive Director

& John McMillan - Director of Exceptional Children's Services,

CUMBERLAND COUNTY SCHOOLS (NC)

(12:00 pm)

End of Program



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| Workshops (3:45 – 4:30 pm) | Workshop 1: "LeaderShift: Developing an Entry Plan for New Special Education Directors" SPEAKER: <i>Dr. Tyrell White - Executive Director of Special Ed, MIDLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (TX)</i> Workshop 2: "Specially Designed Instruction: A Focused Approach" SPEAKER: <i>Sherry Peterson - Director, Services for Exceptional Children, FULTON COUNTY SCHOOLS (GA)</i> |
| Roundtables (4:40 – 5:25 pm) | Roundtable 1: "Post-Secondary Transition: Student Readiness for College, Career & Life" LEADER: <i>Stephanie Cole - Director of Special Education, PULASKI COUNTY SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (AR)</i> Roundtable 2: "Increase in Observed Behaviors in Special Education Students Post-Covid" LEADER: <i>Tammy Diller - Executive Director Special Education, BIRDVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (TX)</i> Roundtable 3: Topic Coming Soon LEADER: <i>Ronnie Harvey, Administrative Director of Special Services, CALCASIEU PARISH PUBLIC SCHOOLS (LA)</i> Roundtable 4: "Facilitating School and Agency Partnerships: Working Together to Build Stronger Communities" LEADER: <i>Elizabeth Santer - Executive Director of Special Services, NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (MI)</i> |
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| (12:25 – 1:20 pm) | Networking Lunch |
| Roundtables (1:25 - 2:10 pm) | <p>Roundtable 1: "Mental Health Initiatives & Curriculum in Schools"</p> <p>LEADER: <i>Jennifer Perrone - Executive Director of Special Services, BLOOMFIELD HILLS SCHOOLS (MI)</i></p> <hr/> <p>Roundtable 2: "Preparing for an Ever-Changing World: Curriculum Innovation and Assistive Technology"</p> <p>LEADER: <i>Dr. Mollie Bolton - Executive Director of Teaching, Learning and Accountability, SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ST. LOUIS (MO)</i></p> <hr/> <p>Roundtable 3: Tentative Title: Parent Engagement</p> <p>LEADER: <i>Inna Mishiev - Executive Director of Special Education and Pupil Personnel Services, HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT (NY)</i></p> <hr/> <p>Roundtable 4: Tentative Title: Addressing General Behaviors/RTI for Students</p> <p>LEADER: <i>Michelle Velasquez - Executive Officer of Special Education, HAYS CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (TX)</i></p> |
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LEADER: *Dr. Amy Blumenfeld - Director of Special Education, PARKWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT (MO)*

Roundtable 2: **More Information Coming Soon**

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**Business Meetings
(9:55 - 11:00 am)**

"Your Students Won't Learn the same. Your Teachers Won't Teach the same. How AI will Impact the Craft of Education"

LEADER: *Joachim Horn - CEO, SAM LABS*

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Closing Panel Discussion: **"Addressing the Hidden Impact of COVID-Related Trauma in Special Education"**

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