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AASA Learning 2025 Network Happenings for the Week of August 15, 2023

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UPCOMING EVENTS

AASA Learning 2025 Professional Learning Series

Mark your calendars to attend Learning 2025 Professional Learning Series on the first Thursday of each month from 4-5 pm EST/1-2 pm PST.

On September 7, our national thought leader will be Dr. Jean-Claude Brizard, CEO of Digital Promise and our Lighthouse Demonstration System Showcase will be brought by Dr. Michelle Miller of South Fayette Township School District. The session will be moderated by AASA's Dr. Ann Levett and the Interactive Discussion will be led by Dr. Chris Gaines. School District. The session will be moderated by AASA's Dr. Ann Levett.



Your district Learning 2025 team members are invited to attend this learning opportunity!

[Register Now](#)

ICYMI: AASA's Learning 2025 Kick Off on August 14, planned by the AASA's Mental Health cohort, featured inspiring presentations!

Special guests Goldie Hawn, Dawn Apodaca, Gregg Behr, Dan Bridges, Anne Brown, Gladys Cruz, Paul Imhoff, Jennifer Reed, Tony Sanders, and Dave Schuler joined moderator Ann Levett to delve into the topic of Mental Health.

Here is the link to the recording:

[Recording](#)

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AASA Lighthouse System Application

Interested in applying to be designated as a AASA Lighthouse Demonstration System?

Leaders are invited to apply for AASA Learning 2025 Lighthouse System designation. A Reflection Guide is provided to share the rubric and lead consideration of progress toward redesign components. Reflection Guide and Application are also posted in AASA Learning 2025 Canvas course.

Applications are due **October 3** with AASA Lighthouse Demonstration System designations announced **November 1**.

[Learning 2025 System Reflection Guide](#)

[LIGHTHOUSE DESIGNATION APPLICATION](#)

RESOURCES

AASA Leadership Network Services

As a benefit of participation in the AASA Learning 2025 Network, **each Demonstration System** can choose **one** of AASA's cohorts to join (value of \$2000/\$2500). Below is a link for each cohort's webpage to help you learn about them and choose one. Once you submit your form, we will register the superintendent or listed designee, and he or she will start receiving information from that cohort's program lead.

[2023-24 AASA Learning 2025 Network Cohort Choice](#)

JOIN THE AASA LEADERSHIP NETWORK!

We bring together thought leader practitioners, content experts, and educational leaders to learn, grow, and take action together.

Who Should Join?
The Leadership Network provides programming for School Superintendents, District Team Members, School Administrators, and those who aspire to central office positions, school leadership roles, and the superintendency.

For more information about AASA's Leadership Network, contact Mort Sherman, Senior Associate Executive Director at msherman@aasa.org

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING PROGRAMS

INDIVIDUAL PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

- AASA National Superintendent Certification Program®
- AASA National Superintendent Certification Program® States
- Aspiring Superintendents Academy®
- Aspiring Superintendents Academy® Female Leaders
- Aspiring Superintendents Academy® Hybrid Learning
- Aspiring Superintendents Academy® Latino and Latina Leaders
- Aspiring Superintendents Academy® State Collaboratives (AZ, MT, MN, OH and others)
- Leadership Academy for Black Educators
- National Aspiring Principal Academy in collaboration with NAESP
- National Instructional Leader Academy in partnership with AVID

DISTRICT PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

- AASA Learning 2025 Network
- Advancing Rural Education Cohort
- Authentic Family Engagement Certification Program & Summit
- Early Learning Cohort
- Eastern States Consortium
- Equity in Action Cohort
- Innovative Districts Empowering All Learners (IDEAL) Cohort
- Large Countywide Suburban District Collaborative
- Leadership in School Communication in partnership with NSPRA
- Mental Health Cohort
- National Principal Supervisor Academy in partnership with CEL
- National Women's Leadership Consortium
- Next Education Workforce in partnership with ASU
- Newly Appointed Superintendents
- Redefining Ready! Cohort
- Social Emotional Learning Cohort
- STEM Leadership Consortia
- Transformational Leadership Consortium

CELEBRATE'S PROGRAMS

- Building Resilience & Positive Youth Development
- Engage Every Student
- Family Engagement in collaboration with National PTA
- #PowerOfPartnerships
- School Safety in collaboration with University of Michigan

To ensure each child has access to equitable, rigorous, and relevant educational opportunities, the AASA Leadership Network is committed to supporting a pipeline of diverse school superintendents and educational leaders as they refine the knowledge, skills, and dispositions for highly effective leadership.

AASA LEARNING 2025 PARTNERS

Spark WONDER
this school year.

In your classroom,
in your home,
wherever kids learn.

Teachers and parents,
Join Gregg Behr and Ryan Rydzewski,
co-authors of the acclaimed book,
*When You Wonder, You're Learning:
Mister Rogers' Enduring Lessons
for Raising Creative, Curious, Caring Kids,*
on Tuesday, August 29, 8-9pm Eastern, via Zoom,
And be inspired by some simple things you can do
to kick-start JOY, CURIOSITY, and WONDER
for the kids you love.

REGISTER NOW!
<https://bit.ly/SparkWonder>

Tuesday, August 29, 8pm: Spark WONDER!

It's almost that time again: the start of a new school year. What would it take, you might wonder, to make *this* one the best school year yet?

As usual, we can look to Mister Rogers for guidance. "Did you know?" he used to sing. "Did you know when you wonder, you're learning?"

Today, science is proving him right. We now know that when we're in a state of wonder, our brains are primed for learning. In fact, when it comes to children's success in school, curiosity may be just as important as intelligence.

So, how might we spark *more* curiosity, more wonder, and more joy in the school year to come?

Join this **free**, virtual event on **Tuesday, August 29, 8pm Eastern/5pm Pacific** to learn simple ideas for sparking wonder and joy this school year — wherever you and your kids learn. The curiosity kicks off at 8pm eastern. [Register here!](#)

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Beacons of Hope - Remake Learning

A cohort of 34 public school districts, the Western Pennsylvania Learning 2025 Alliance, advances student-centered, equity-focused, future-driven school systems that prepare every learner for tomorrow. Co-led by Pittsburgh-area superintendents and AASA, the School Superintendents Association, the Alliance convenes for workshops and professional development facilitated by world-class experts. With support from The Grable Foundation, these 34 districts are reimagining education and showing the world what school could be.



Thank you to our partners who help make this work possible:



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"How can we make sure our students are ready for jobs that haven't been invented yet?"

In this [2-minute video](#), Val Verde USD's Aimee Garcia and other system leaders from across the nation discuss the importance of having a goal that everyone is unified behind—the Portrait of a Graduate.

Ready to get started on your Portrait of a Graduate? Connect with us at info@bfkspn.org.



CONTACTS

Do you have feedback you'd like to share with our AASA Learning 2025 team about how we can support you and your team?

Contact any of your AASA Learning 2025 Network team:

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Our Mission/Our Commitment

The LEARNING 2025 leadership team and mentors/consultants engage communities, staff, and boards in discussions about strategies to address existing and perceived barriers to district transformation. Many of the challenges we face are not problems that have an obvious or quick answer; rather, they are challenges, conundrums, and polarities that need to be navigated. We are committed to involving all stakeholders in identifying, managing, and breaking those barriers so that leaders can focus on the whole system.



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