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AASA Learning 2025 Network Happenings for the Week of February 20, 2024

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The Learning 2025 Winter Summit on February 14 was a huge success in San Diego with over 150 educators joining to honor the four newly designated Lighthouse Systems with a special luncheon. Alex Kotran, founder of [aiedu.org](#), explored trends and projected AI developments and Superintendents shared with colleagues in break out groups about their journey toward becoming more Future-Driven. On February 15, Dave Schuler honored all 33 Lighthouse designated district superintendents on stage at the opening session of the National Conference on Education.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Thursday, February 22, 3PM

Can we Inoculate Ourselves — and Our Students — Against Bad Ideas?



Wonder with Dr. Andy Norman: a professor, philosopher, and award-winning author whose work grapples with morality, reason, and how humans form beliefs. His latest book, *Mental Immunity: Infectious Ideas, Mind-Parasites, and the Search for a Better Way to Think*, explores the roots of the partisan rancor and conspiratorial thought that roils public life — and often, public schools. Join us for a thought-provoking discussion with Dr. Norman, whose strategies for spotting and removing bad ideas have been called “just what humanity needs.”

Articles for pre-reading:

[How developing mental immunity can protect us from bad ideas](#)
[Why Mental Immunity?](#)

Come Wonder With Gregg Behr and Ryan Rydzewski

You are invited to virtual discussions with The Grable Foundation's Gregg Behr and Ryan Rydzewski, the authors of *When You Wonder, You're Learning: Mister Rogers' Enduring Lessons for Raising Creative, Curious, Caring Kids*.

All times 3pm Eastern:

Registration Links:
[Thursday, February 22](#)
[Thursday, March 21](#)
[Thursday, April 25](#)
[Thursday, May 23](#)

Leadership for Future Driven Learning

Please 1PM EST/12PM CT/10AM PT

March 7, 2024

We are pleased to share with you that our Thursday professional learning sessions will continue through the rest of this school year with a new name and approach:

Leadership for Future Driven Learning.

March 7 at 1 pm ET, we will delve into Cognia's Solution Circles approach. We'll be reaching out to share the protocols for collaboration and to ask your input for problems of practice.

A SOLUTION CIRCLE is a modified version of what some may recognize as a consultancy model. It has been modified because school system leaders have unique positions, especially now given the political nature of their decisions, and the complexities and moving parts within their district and community. This protocol is designed to provide leaders with solutions, strategies, and support in a focused and expedited process.

[Register Now](#)

Forge Futures for Youth, Educators, and Families: A National Summit on Community-Wide Learning

May 7 Convening for Learning 2025 Superintendents followed by

May 8 & 9 National Summit for over 200 CEOs, Philanthropic Leaders, Superintendents

AASA and the Grable Foundation will host an important meeting in Pittsburgh, PA. Please register to attend May 8 & 9 [here](#).

Learning 2025 Superintendents are encouraged to arrive on May 7 at 2 pm for an afternoon of learning with AASA Leadership Network and Digital Promise.

[Please register here for the May 7 session.](#) NOTE you need to register for both events!

Questions: Contact vtruesdale@aasa.org. 703.7746930

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Model Schools Conference

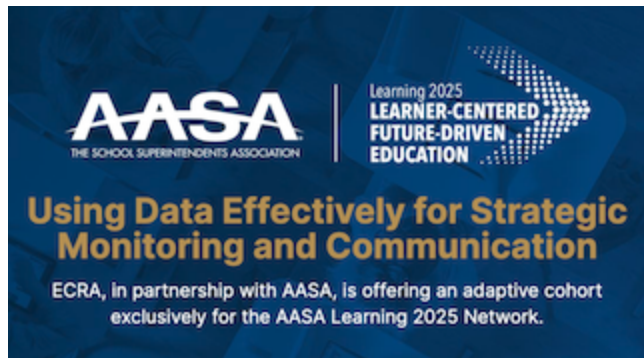


AASA is partnering with the Center for Model Schools this year to expand our network options for districts across the country. Based on this partnership, we are able to extend to you a 25% off discount of the registration fee for the Model Schools Conference.

Teams are encouraged to participate.

Please take a look at the [attached flyer](#) that includes the discount code and link to the website. We will hold a Learning 2025 Initiative meeting on Sunday, June 23rd to kick off the event and will have a dedicated meeting space during the conference for debriefing. Relevant sessions will be identified that best meet the needs of our consortia.

Please reach out with any questions to linda.lucey@hnhco.com; 518-860-8313 or to anyone on the AASA Learning 2025 leadership team.



Watch Adaptive Cohort Video

[Enroll / Learn More](#)

Program Description

The partnership will provide superintendents and their team with the knowledge and tools to measure and communicate progress toward district goals. The partnership is led by national experts in data science, and combines personalized consulting, professional development, and a strategic dashboard tool.

Program Objectives

- Participants in the program will:
- Learn how to identify the right data to measure progress toward goals
 - Learn how to leverage benchmarks to enhance board understanding
 - Develop and launch a strategic dashboard for their school district

Program Design

- The program has a rolling enrollment model and is designed to be completed in 3 months. Program includes:
- Live virtual professional development sessions on a revolving topic schedule so you can work at your own pace and attend sessions that are convenient
 - Live virtual office hours to receive personalized consulting
 - On-demand learning resources
 - 3-month license to the ECRA Strategic Dashboard



ReMake Learning Days

Want to learn more?

[About Remake Learning Days](#)

[Media coverage](#) from 2023

[Pop-Up](#) events

Instructive “how-to” [videos](#)

You’ll find so much more – more toolkits, more examples, more inspiration – as you surf around www.remakelearningdays.org

And it’s time to submit events for the 2024 edition of Remake Learning Days!

[Event Submission Page](#)

Important Dates:

February 23, 2024: Deadline for events submitted to be included in promotional and marketing materials

April 20-May 31, 2024: Remake Learning Days! Post and follow #RemakeDays.

AASA LEARNING 2025 RESOURCES



We all know that board and community support is key when trying to make improvements in a district. As part of our ongoing commitment to supporting you in creating meaningful education transformation, we’ve put together some tools to make getting stakeholder buy-in a bit easier.

The NEW [AASA Learning 2025 Communications Toolkit](#) Includes:

FAQs and Talking Points to help you explain what Learning 2025 is (and what it isn’t) to your board, staff, community and the media

Presentation Templates for board and staff meetings

Progress Report Template for sharing successes with key stakeholders

Press Release Template to communicate announcements

Email Templates for the board, staff and parents

Sample Website Content and Images

Sample Social Media Posts



Don't Miss Out on Early Bird Pricing!

Grant Writing Essentials: An Interactive Workshop for Educators

Master grant writing from pursuit to award at the Grant Writing Essentials workshop by Battelle for Kids in collaboration with the Cook Center for Human Connection on April 24-25 at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City.

This intensive two-day training will equip you with the tools to navigate the grant writing process successfully. Upon completing the workshop, participants will join a year-long Grant Writers Cohort led by Battelle for Kids. Access an online portal of grant resources and announcements and collaborate with educators nationwide.?

Register today to secure your spot! Early bird pricing must be secured by February 29!

bfk.org/GrantWriting

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Our Mission/Our Commitment

The LEARNING 2025 leadership team and strategic mentors 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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