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**AASA Learning 2025 Network Happenings for the Week of September 26, 2023**

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## AASA Learning 2025 Network Happenings for the Week of September 26, 2023

Welcome to fall!

Our through line for all of our Thursday professional learning focuses on hearing from colleagues about the exemplary work they are doing and what lessons of leadership they can share.

To help guide our conversations, AASA partnered with Hanover Research to develop emerging leadership toolkits:

- [Becoming a More Resilient Leader](#)
- [Becoming a More Nimble Leader](#)
- [Becoming a More Resonant Leader](#)

Two other notes:

- several of us stayed on zoom for an “after the hour” casual conversation last month. We’ll make that optional time offer again this month. Feel free to hang around if you can after the formal program ends.
- any thoughts you have about how to make our Thursday sessions more interactive would be appreciated.

See you soon.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **AASA Lighthouse System Application**

Interested in applying to be designated as an 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. The 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

### **AASA Learning 2025 Professional Learning Series**

Mark your calendars to join Dave Schuler and Ann Levett for Learning 2025 Professional Learning Series on the first Thursday of each month from 4-5 pm EST/1-2 pm PST.

*Even if you cannot attend in person on the first Thursday afternoon, **Register** and you will receive the recording.*

**October 5, 2023**



**Future Ready Strategies:** Shari Camhi, Superintendent, Baldwin Union Free School District, NY  
**Academic Success, Real World Experiences, Lighthouse System Showcase:** Philip Martell, Superintendent, River Valley School District

**Interactive Discussion Leader:** Kimberly Cantu, Superintendent, Mansfield School District, TX

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

[Register Now](#)

## **Site Visits**

AASA is hosting site visits this year to see Learner-Centered redesign in action. We encourage Superintendents and their teams to consider attending:

**Cajon Valley Unified School District** – World of Work Site Visit - [Registration Link](#)  
**Mesa School District** – Next Education Workforce Site Visit – [Link to Registration page on ASU site](#)  
**Gwinnett County School District** – Strategic Planning Site Visit - [Registration Link](#)

[View All Learning 2025 In-Person Events](#)

[View All AASA Profesional Learning Upcoming Programming & Events](#)

## **ASU/GSV Summit April 14-17, 2024 in San Diego**

Again this year, Global Silicon Valley (GSV) and Arizona State University (ASU) are providing scholarships for AASA Learning 2025 Network to the ASU/GSV Summit in

San Diego

<https://www.asugsvsummit.com/>

We can nominate 30 Superintendents for scholarships that include registration plus housing

AASA has been invited to nominate an additional 65 Superintendents for registration only to ASU/GSV Summit. Note that GSV has requested that we nominate Superintendents first and if there are additional scholarships for registration only, GSV will consider Assistant Superintendents. Please respond **on the form here** as soon as possible, but no later than October 15. Questions?  
Contact [vtruesdale@aasa.org](mailto:vtruesdale@aasa.org)

### Effie H. Jones Humanitarian Award: Nominations Open!

Presented annually at the AASA National Conference on Education, the **Dr. Effie H. Jones Humanitarian Award** honors AASA members who have advanced the status of women and other underrepresented groups in education. Nominated members must demonstrate commitment to the advancement and mentorship of women and underrepresented groups in positions of leadership and/or to address social justice issues among children, youth and adults in schools.

*Nominations are due by **October 31, 2023.***

[Learn More](#) [Nomination Form](#)



### ICYMI: Hot Topic Articles!

#### Leadership Development Toolkits

The demands of educational leadership in 2023 call for district leaders who are **resonant**, i.e., they need to be constantly in tune with their staff, community, and students; **resilient**, i.e., they need to have inner strength and health and project strength and optimism in order to meet challenges; and **nimble**, i.e., their skills, knowledge, and dispositions need to be honed to solve any problem and address any crisis – whether those challenges are educational, economic, or political.

To guide superintendents in how they can become resilient, nimble, resonant leaders AASA has produced a series of toolkits that review these attributes and offer tools and strategies for how to develop the capacities of a resilient, nimble, resonant leader.

<https://www.aasa.org/resources/resource/becoming-a-more-resilient-leader>

<https://www.aasa.org/resources/resource/becoming-a-more-nimble-leader>

<https://www.aasa.org/resources/resource/becoming-a-more-resonant-leader>

## RESOURCES

### AASA Leadership Network Services

As a benefit of participation in the AASA Learning 2025 Network, **each Demonstration System** receives complimentary membership in **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 AASA's many cohorts 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. Come learn and grow with colleagues!

2023-24 AASA Learning 2025 Network Cohort Choice

AASA enjoys partnerships with many educational associations, including the Consortium for School Networking (CoSN). Jointly with AASA, CoSN has an EmpowerED Superintendent Advisory Council, chaired for many years by David Schuler, now by Aaron Spence and Carol Kelley. Check out resources available to you and your team on hot technology topics such as, [Artificial Intelligence & Generative AI](#).

You can learn from 11 other valuable CoSN/AASA "one pagers" at [Resources for the EmpowerED Superintendent](#)

Questions? Contact [vtruesdale@aasa.org](mailto:vtruesdale@aasa.org)

## AASA LEARNING 2025 PARTNERS

### Executive Insights: Remake Learning on igniting educational success across the region

How the Western Pennsylvania Learning 2025 Alliance — in partnership with Remake Learning — is bringing families, community organizations and innovative school districts together to create a new learning landscape. [Read more - Pittsburgh Business Journal](#)

### [Beacons of Hope - Remake Learning](#)

An alliance 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 reimaging education and showing the world what school could be.



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Each school system’s journey is unique. But learning from the stories of other districts can inspire—and accelerate—your work. We are honored to share [examples of district bringing their Portrait of a Graduate to life](#) for every student, every day.

Ready to activate your Portrait? Start a conversation by emailing [info@bfkspn.org](mailto: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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