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Opening General Session
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B - Breakout Sessions
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Thursday Luncheon Session
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C - Breakout Sessions
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D - Breakout Sessions
3:00 to 3:45 PM

Super Session 1
4:00 to 5:00 PM

Exhibitor Reception
5:00 to 6:30 PM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Classroom Showcase
8:00 to 11:30 AM

NASB Delegate Assembly
8:00 to 9:30 AM

NASA Membership Meeting
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F - Breakout Sessions
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Friday Luncheon Keynote Speaker
12:15 to 1:45 PM

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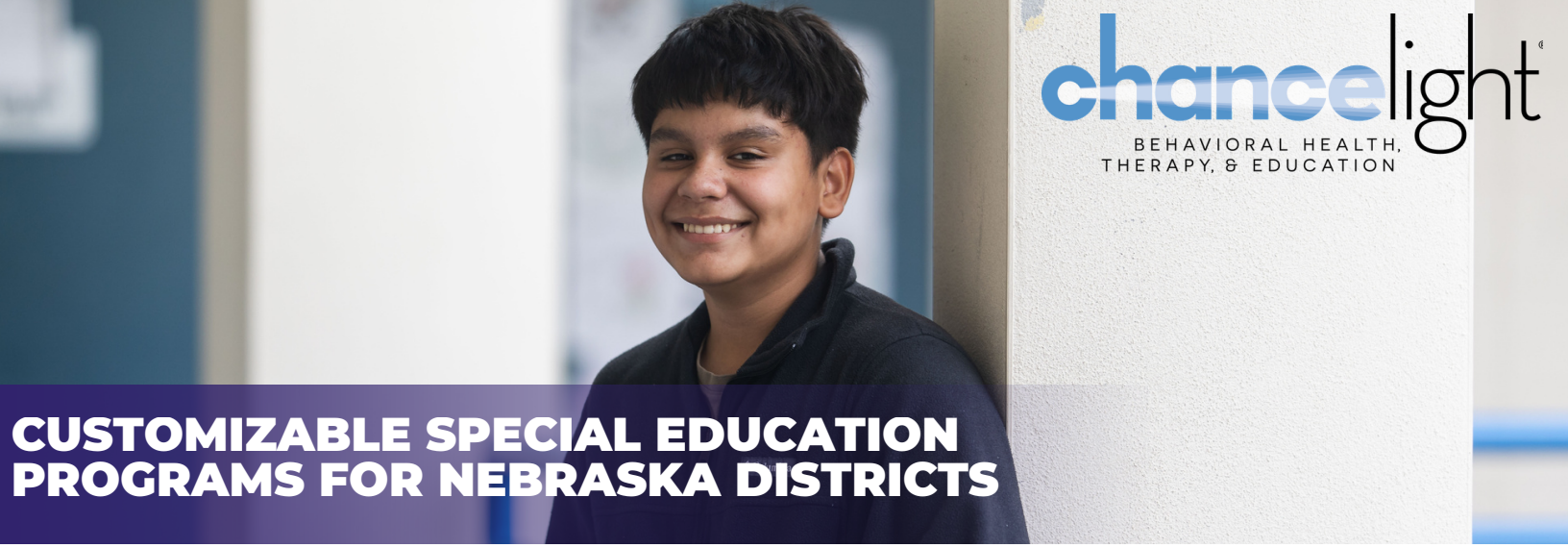
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- CURRICULUM
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- MANAGEMENT/ADMINISTRATION
- NEW BOARD MEMBER/NEW SUPERINTENDENT
- SAFETY
- STUDENTS/EARLY CHILDHOOD
- TECHNOLOGY
- WELLNESS & RETENTION

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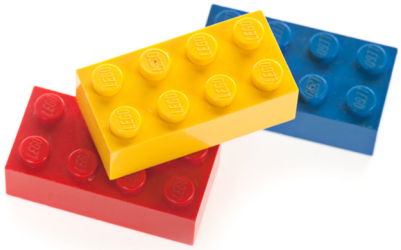
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GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FROM 11:00 AM TO 5:00 PM IN ROOM 213

Pre

PRE-CONFERENCE SESSION
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 - 1:00 TO 4:00 PM

LEGAL SHOWCASE:
THE LEGAL ISSUES EVERY SCHOOL BOARD NEEDS TO KNOW!
ROOM 201-202

School law is constantly changing, and knowing what matters can make all the difference. Join legal experts for a fast-paced, practical look at the latest issues facing Nebraska school districts - from special education and student discipline to due process and emerging legal developments. We'll also tackle the critical legal aspects of the superintendent-board relationship, including contracts, evaluations, renewals, grievances, personnel complaints, investigations, and leadership transitions. You'll gain practical strategies to help your board make sound decisions, avoid common legal missteps, and confidently navigate challenging situations before they become bigger problems. Whether you're a new board member or a seasoned school leader, you'll walk away with useful guidance, timely information - and maybe a few laughs along the way. Bring your questions and your sense of humor for a legal session that's anything but ordinary!

PRESENTERS: Perry Law Firm & KSB School Law



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

OPENING KEYNOTE SPEAKER - 8:30 TO 9:45 AM - GRAND BALLROOM

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BOARD MEMBER BOOT CAMP
7:00 TO 8:15 AM - ROOM 204

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STUDENT ART DISPLAY
8:00 AM TO 2:00 PM - NORTH PRE-FUNCTION AREA

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WHAT'S YOUR MVP? LEADERSHIP LESSONS FROM THE COACH WHO INSPIRED TED LASSO

Donnie Campbell

When you create better people, you create winning teams. Meet Coach Donnie Campbell, the real-life inspiration behind the beloved character Ted Lasso, and discover the leadership lessons that helped shape a young Jason Sudeikis and ultimately inspired one of television's most memorable coaches. In this engaging and uplifting keynote, Campbell introduces his MVP - Mission, Values and Principles - and challenges leaders to discover their own. Through humor, stories, and hard-earned wisdom from decades in education and coaching, he'll share how leading with purpose, authenticity, and a genuine belief in people can bring out their best, strengthen teams, and create a lasting impact on the people you serve.

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A - BREAKOUTS - 10:00 TO 10:45 AM
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A1 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: A 2026 RECAP AND A LOOK TO 2027 Room 211-212
Join Colby and Mike for a look into the 2027 legislative session and how we got here. With a looming budget deficit, new faces at the Capitol, and new leadership, K-12 education faces both significant challenges and promising opportunities. Gain insight into the key issues expected to shape the upcoming session and what they could mean for Nebraska schools.
PRESENTERS: Colby Coash - NASB, Mike Dulaney - NCSA
MODERATOR: Brad Hays - McCook

A2 BOARD GOVERNANCE, POLICY VISIBILITY & STAFF NEGOTIATIONS: HOW TECHNOLOGICAL CAN YOUR BOARD BE? Room 210
Join us for an informative session on Board and Policy Management, as well as Staff Negotiations. We will cover the importance of utilizing technology to enhance your board processes and provide greater visibility to your district.
PRESENTERS: Darion Miller & Nicole Kobus - Sparq Data Solutions
MODERATOR: Sallie Horky - NASB

A3 NAVIGATING PUBLIC COMMENT AND THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT AT BOARD MEETINGS Room 215-216
Public comment can be one of the most unpredictable parts of a meeting. This session explains what the Open Meetings Act requires, what it allows boards to regulate, and where the legal guardrails really are. Using real-world scenarios, we'll walk through both routine and high-tension situations and how boards can respond calmly, consistently, and lawfully.
PRESENTER: Justin Knight - Perry Law Firm
MODERATOR: Dee Bratetic - Bloomfield

A4 LET'S GET FISCAL Room 208
The learning curve for school finance is never-ending. Take a closer look at long-standing practices and recent changes that can impact your district's financial position. This session will help board members better understand the numbers, recognize the questions worth asking, and build stronger financial conversations with their superintendent and administrative team. Don't assume - dig deeper, ask questions, and make informed decisions with confidence.
PRESENTERS: Carl Dietz - Finance Expert & Justin Patterson - Wilcox-Hildreth Public School
MODERATOR: Amanda Timmerman - Cedar Bluffs

A5 WHY YOU'RE IN THE DARK, AND WHY WE KEEP YOU THERE Room 201-202
Without fail, the largest issues in schools involving student discipline and personnel matters become sources of gossip and Facebook posts in every community. Yet, as board members, you get the least amount of information. Huh?! This presentation will explain why, walk through what's happening behind the scenes, and discuss things like discipline disparity because of special education laws. While we can't bring you into the light, we can at least explain when the lights may be turned on!
PRESENTERS: Bobby Truhe, Jordan Johnson & Amanda Dabney - KSB School Law
MODERATOR: Lana Hoffschneider - Centennial



A6 FROM VISION TO VICTORY: NAVIGATING A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL BOND ELECTION **Room 214**

School bond elections are multifaceted - equal parts vision, strategy, and community trust. In this practical session, we candidly share our journey, including the successes and missteps learned along the way. We will explore how intentional relationship-building and transparency lay the foundation for success, from conducting facility studies to selecting architects and bond counsel. Participants will gain insight into maintaining community trust and navigating the practical realities of timelines while providing factual information to the public. Grounded in real-world experience, this session offers actionable strategies and cautionary tales to help you turn your district's vision into voter support.

PRESENTERS: Josh Fields, Matt Dominy & members of the Seward Public Schools BOE,
Mitch Bartholomew & members of the York Public Schools BOE
MODERATOR: Jason Richters - Centennial

A7 EQUIPPING NEBRASKA'S WORKFORCE PIPELINE: GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP IN CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) **Room 209**

Nebraska's economic vitality depends on strong, aligned Career and Technical Education (CTE) systems. Designed for school board members and district leaders, this session examines federal and state policy, funding structures, statewide priorities, and systems that support high-quality CTE and career-connected learning in each district. Participants will gain insight into the opportunities within CTE, along with the policy considerations and strategic decisions needed to expand access, strengthen connections between education and workforce needs, ensure responsible fiscal stewardship, and maintain high-quality programs across districts.

PRESENTER: Katie Graham - NDE
MODERATOR: Beth Merrigan - Scottsbluff

A8 SO YOU ARE A NEW BOARD MEMBER **Room 204**

How do I prepare to serve as a new board member? What are the demands of the role and responsibilities of the board? Welcome to board service! This session covers frequently asked questions, highlights the NASB Board Governance Standards, engages participants in interactive discussions, and presents scenarios to challenge your understanding of proper board oversight.

PRESENTERS: Marcia Herring, Stephanie Summers & Stacie Higgins - NASB
MODERATOR: Teresa Grabowski - Centura

A9 RETENTION IS THE NEW RECRUITMENT: STRENGTHENING BOARD / SUPERINTENDENT PARTNERSHIPS FOR LEADERSHIP SUSTAINABILITY **Room 206-207**

Superintendent turnover remains a significant challenge in Nebraska, where average tenure is approximately 3.7 years. Burnout, crisis demands, and strained board/superintendent relations contribute to frequent transitions. In an era of educator shortages, retention has become the central leadership issue. This session highlights findings from the University of Nebraska Kearney's research titled: An Interdisciplinary Study on School Administrator Stress and Mental Health. Emphasis will be placed on establishing a team approach in strengthening board/superintendent relationships as a central strategy for improving leadership retention, promoting administrator well-being, and ensuring long-term district stability.

PRESENTERS: Doug Tilman & Michael Teahon - UNK, Troy Loeffelholz - NCSA
MODERATOR: Kyle Fisher - Springfield Platteview

A10 BEYOND THE BUZZWORDS: ELKHORN'S LAYERED SECURITY ARCHITECTURE **Room 203**

As the field of school safety burgeons, districts are using security jargon and novel buzzwords to describe school safety. Beyond the buzzword, what is layered security? How is a comprehensive security architecture designed and implemented? This presentation will offer a fresh perspective on these challenging questions and showcase how Elkhorn's school safety program is crafted to enhance the protection of our school community. The approach is grounded in proven security principles supported by data from real-world events. Elkhorn's school safety program focuses on implementation guided by deliberate strategy to avoid common pitfalls of many security programs.

PRESENTERS: Bary Habrock & Brian Kempf - Elkhorn Public Schools
MODERATOR: Patti Gubbels - Norfolk

A11 FROM LOW ACHIEVING TO BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL **Room 205**

How West Point Public Schools changed its culture, attitudes, and teaching effectiveness from the PLAS (Persistently Lowest-Achieving Schools) list to a Blue Ribbon School.

PRESENTERS: Douglas Gross, DJ Weddle, Nikki Plemons & Tina Johnson - West Point Public Schools
MODERATOR: Jay Hall - Laurel-Concord-Coleridge

B - BREAKOUTS - 11:15 AM TO 12:00 PM
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B1 BEHIND THE RULES: WHAT SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE NSAA
Room 211-212

This session will provide an overview of the NSAA, its purpose, and its governance structure.
PRESENTERS: Jennifer Schwartz, Darren Tobey & Bob Drews - NSAA
MODERATOR: Colby Coash - NASB

B2 SUPERINTENDENT PANEL - DEVELOPING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE BOARD, WE ARE IN THIS TOGETHER **Room 201-202**

For board members and superintendents, come hear from veteran Superintendents as they discuss and answer questions regarding their efforts in developing positive and personal work relationships with their board of education.
PRESENTERS: Dawn Lewis - Arlington Public Schools, Chip Kay - Columbus Public Schools, Heather Nebesniak - Ord Public Schools, Mike Sieh - Wayne State College, Troy Loeffelholz & Kevin Wingard - NCSA
MODERATOR: John Reeg - Twin River

B3 STEEL, STONE, & STEWARDSHIP: MANAGING YOUR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT
Room 215-216

In this session, Perry Law Firm attorneys will discuss the ins and outs of school capital construction projects.
PRESENTERS: Derek Aldridge - Perry Law Firm
MODERATOR: Monica Huber - O'Neill

B4 THE ADVOCACY PLAYBOOK: HOW LEGISLATIVE GUIDELINES EMPOWER BOARD MEMBER & DISTRICT ADVOCACY **Room 203**

The Lincoln Public Schools Board of Education annually adopts legislative guidelines through a Board Committee process in order to elevate key priorities for educational policymaking and inform the district's advocacy efforts. This session will share how the LPS Board navigates governmental relations at the state and federal level. Learn how the LPS BOE legislative guidelines provide direction to the Board, Superintendent and LPS team, affirming the fundamentals of local control and the school district's commitment to quality educational opportunities for all students.
PRESENTERS: Brad Jacobsen, Piyush Srivastav & John Skretta - Lincoln Public Schools
MODERATOR: Jeanie McCloud - Newman Grove

B5 BRIDGING THE GAP: THE STRATEGIC VALUE OF STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVES
Room 214

This session explores how a Student Board Representative can transform district governance by providing insights into the student experience. We will move beyond the theory of "student voice" to provide a practical framework for implementation. Attendees will learn how to develop a transparent selection process, effective onboarding, and mentorship strategies. You will leave with the tools to turn students from passive observers into strategic partners in leadership.
PRESENTERS: Matt Fisher & Lisa Albers - Grand Island Public Schools
MODERATOR: Adam Erdkamp - Exeter-Milligan-Friend

B6 WRITING THEIR STORY: EXPANDING LEARNING THROUGH CAREER EXPLORATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT **Room 210**

In 2021, we asked a question that every Nebraska district, large or small, must wrestle with: How do we expand learning in ways that truly prepare students for the future? That question sparked the creation of an 8th grade careers course and a hands-on exploratory program built through a partnership with SCC-Milford. What started as a simple idea has now become part of our system. We'll share what worked and what didn't, and how this work has connected students to a Nebraska workforce that needs them.
PRESENTERS: Brandon Mowinkel, Shelly Mowinkel & Mitch Kubicek - Milford Public Schools
MODERATOR: Louise Nabb-Martin - ESU 2

B7 CAN THEY SUE ME FOR THAT? Room 206-207

Yes, they can sue you for that. Anyone can sue anyone else for just about any reason. In this session, we will address some of the more common reasons school districts are sued and provide practical guidance to address and mitigate these potential risks. This will include real world examples of recent lawsuits filed against Nebraska political subdivisions.

PRESENTER: Josh Schauer - Perry Law Firm
MODERATOR: Beth Sonderup - Fullerton

B8 AT THE BOARD TABLE Room 204

What does effective board leadership look like when the goal is student success? This breakout moves beyond understanding board roles and responsibilities to explore how boards can leverage their governance role to make a meaningful difference for students. Through scenarios, discussion, and practical resources, participants will connect board leadership to student outcomes, district improvement goals, and continuous growth - and learn practical ways to move from understanding their role to using it for greater impact on student success.

PRESENTERS: Marcia Herring, Stephanie Summers & Stacie Higgins - NASB
MODERATOR: Lacey Gloystien - Heartland

B9 CULTIVATING NEBRASKA'S NEXT GENERATION OF TEACHERS Room 208

Districts across Nebraska are seeking sustainable solutions to strengthen the educator workforce. The "Grow Your Own Education Pathway" provides a proactive strategy by introducing high school students to careers in education. This session will highlight a four-course Education & Training program of study that includes free, ready-to-use curriculum, dual-credit opportunities allowing students to earn up to 12 college credits, and alignment to Nebraska CTE standards. Participants will learn how districts can implement this pathway, support aspiring educators, and build a long-term pipeline of future teachers.

PRESENTER: Katie Soto - ESU 9
MODERATOR: Goeff Ruth - Shelby-Rising City

B10 HOW-TOS FOR HAL PROGRAMS: PRACTICAL, COST-EFFECTIVE & DOABLE Room 205

Providing High Ability Learner (HAL) services doesn't have to be overwhelming - even in a small district with a limited staff and a tight budget. Learn how Perkins County Schools in Grant, Nebraska, has successfully served 3rd-12th grade HAL students for nearly a decade. Leave with concrete, ready-to-use ideas for identification criteria, staffing, funding and programming at all levels - and a clearer path to meeting HAL requirements.

PRESENTER: Deanne Bishop - Perkins County Schools
MODERATOR: Nikhil Annepu - NASB

B11 THE BRADY LEARNING CENTER: A PLACE IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR OUR COMMUNITY Room 209

Rural communities often struggle to sustain libraries, technology access, and shared learning spaces. Brady Public Schools partnered with the Village of Brady and the Brady School Foundation to create the Brady Learning Center - an innovative space that combines the school and community libraries. This session will highlight how local leadership and collaboration brought this vision to life by providing books, technology, multimedia tools, and internet access for both students and residents. Participants will learn how the project was planned, funded, and implemented, and will leave with practical strategies and actionable steps to develop similar community-centered learning spaces in their own districts.

PRESENTERS: Ann Foster & Ryan Stearns - Brady Public Schools
MODERATOR: Amanda Jedlicka - Schuyler



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KEEPING SCHOOLS SAFE:
How Hamilton Helps Districts Do More With Less

For schools, understanding available technology is only one part of the challenge. Before joining Hamilton, Ed Uden spent seven years as the sole technology administrator at a central Nebraska school, supporting 600 students, 80 staff members and the technology used across campus.

His firsthand experience gave him a clear understanding of the challenges schools face, especially tight budgets. Today, that perspective drives his work helping schools across Nebraska secure technology and security solutions tailored to their needs.

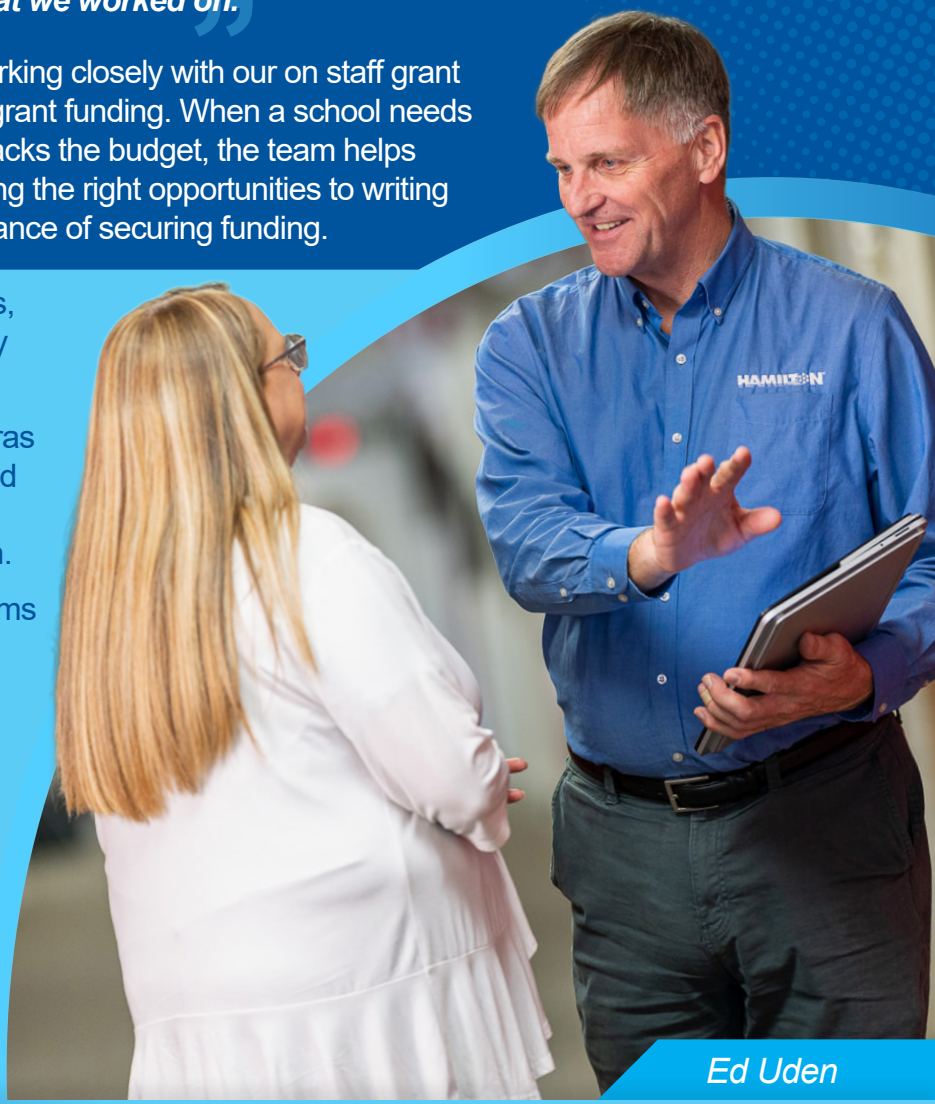
> ***"Our school didn't have the budget to do everything we wanted to do, we had to choose wisely what we worked on."***

Ed and the Hamilton team help schools by working closely with our on staff grant development coordinator to identify available grant funding. When a school needs new security cameras or other upgrades but lacks the budget, the team helps manage the entire grant process — from finding the right opportunities to writing applications — so schools have a stronger chance of securing funding.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

LUNCHEON KEYNOTE SPEAKER - 12:15 TO 1:45 PM - GRAND BALLROOM

ANN MACTIER - SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER OF THE YEAR WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE THURSDAY LUNCHEON

Previous Winners Include:

2025 - JIM VLACH, LYONS DECATUR NORTHEAST
2024 - BRAD WILKINS, AINSWORTH
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2022 - MARCIA MAHON, SOUTH SIOUX CITY
2021 - STEVE KOCH, HERSHEY
2020 - MARIAN HOLSTEIN, WINNEBAGO
2019 - VALERIE FISHER, PAPILLON LA VISTA
2018 - KATHY DANEK, LINCOLN
2017 - BONNIE HINKLE, GRAND ISLAND
2016 - TERRI HAYNES, CHADRON
2015 - LINDA RICHARDS, RALSTON
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2009 - RON PEARSON, ESU #3
2008 - SANDRA JENSEN, OMAHA
2007 - JOHN HANSEN, BELLEVUE
2006 - FRED TAFOYA, PAPILLON-LA VISTA
2005 - WAYNE ERICKSON, WISNER-PILGER
2004 - ANN MACTIER, OMAHA



BE RELENTLESS

Hamish Brewer

Get ready to be inspired, challenged, and energized by Hamish Brewer! The award-winning, tattooed, skateboarding principal known for his relentless leadership style is bringing his powerful message to our conference. A Nationally Distinguished Principal, Virginia Principal of the Year and bestselling author of *Relentless - Disrupting the Educational Norm*, Hamish has earned global recognition for turning around challenging schools and championing students and communities. With his high-energy style and "Be Relentless" message, he will challenge you to rethink leadership, disrupt the status quo and discover what's possible when you refuse to give up on people. Mr. Brewer is also featured in the skateboarding humanitarian movie documentary "Humanity Stoked."

SPONSOR: Midwest Literacy Collective
PRESIDING: Stacy Jolley - NASB President (Millard)



C - BREAKOUTS - 2:00 TO 2:45 PM
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

C1 STUDENT VOICES **Room 211-212**
Students from Nebraska high schools share their perspectives on issues that are important to the leaders of tomorrow.
STUDENTS: David Burrows - Lincoln Public Schools, Raeann Massey - Ft. Calhoun Public Schools, Kennedy Nance - Lincoln Public Schools, Maverick Prowett - Wood River Public Schools
MODERATOR: Rollie Stefka - Sargent

C2 17 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW AS AN ESU BOARD MEMBER **Room 205**
This session will equip ESU board members with essential updates, insights, and strategies that will impact statewide and regional educational services. Topics Include: the work of ESUCC and ESUs; new and expanding services; updates from NDE and NASB; legislative priorities; system and network alignment; funding and accountability.
PRESENTERS: Colby Coash - NASB, Larianne Polk - ESUCC, Brad Dirksen - NDE
MODERATOR: Cheri Wirthele - ESU 4

C3 SCOREBOARD UPDATE: ATHLETICS, BOOSTER CLUBS, AND TITLE IX **Room 215-216**
In this session, the attorneys from Perry Law Firm will discuss various aspects of athletics, the pitfalls that booster clubs can create, and how to navigate the equity concerns under Title IX.
PRESENTERS: Josh Schauer & Derek Aldridge - Perry Law Firm
MODERATOR: Brandy Buscher - Sutherland

C4 HOW NEBRASKA IS TELLING ITS STORY: A DECADE OF THE NCSA AMBASSADOR PROGRAM AND NEBRASKA PUBLIC SCHOOL ADVANTAGE **Room 210**
Since 2016, NCSA has made it a priority to advocate for Nebraska's public schools, one story at a time. Nebraska Public School Advantage is an online magazine where more than 500 feature stories are housed. In this session we take you across the state, from the panhandle to the metro, sharing stories of student success and educator innovation that serve as testaments to the power of public education. You'll dive into the importance of school advocacy and explore the power of a story.
PRESENTERS: Kevin Wingard & Tyler Dahlgren - NCSA
MODERATOR: Marty Mrkvicka - St. Paul

C5 PRACTICAL STRATEGIES TO ENHANCE BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION, COLLABORATION, AND EFFECTIVENESS **Room 201-202**
Great governance doesn't happen by accident. Effective board/superintendent relationships require intentional clear expectations, communication, and shared accountability. This session offers practical, real-world strategies boards and superintendents can use to strengthen collaboration, improve productivity, and function as a unified leadership team driving district success.
PRESENTERS: Karen Haase - KSB School Law, Mike Lucas - Westside Community Schools
MODERATOR: Janet Mueller - Sutherland

C6 WHEN CRISIS STRIKES **Room 214**
Kearney Public Schools was struck by a cybersecurity attack in October 2025. Five months earlier, Cozad Community Schools dealt with a triple-murder/suicide on high school graduation day. In each case, the immediate, short-term, and long-term district responses to these incidents were critical to the students, staff, and entire communities. During this session, leaders from each district will share their story and provide advice and first-hand experience for fellow administrators that may deal with future emergencies of their own.
PRESENTERS: Jason Mundorf & Troy DeHaven - Kearney Public Schools, Corey Fisher, Kiley Goff & Dan Endorf - Cozad Community Schools
MODERATOR: Lindsey Headrick - NASB

C7 NEGOTIATIONS FOR BOARD MEMBERS: LAW, STRATEGY, AND CURRENT TRENDS **Room 206-207**

Personnel costs are the largest line item in most district budgets, which makes negotiations one of a board's most important responsibilities. This session covers the legal framework governing negotiations, the board's role at the table, and emerging trends affecting bargaining. We'll also highlight timely "hot topics" and practical strategies for the upcoming negotiations cycle.

PRESENTER: Justin Knight - Perry Law Firm
MODERATOR: Brad Kalkwarf - Wilber-Clatonia

C8 ALIGNING VISION TO ACTION: PURPOSEFUL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT **Room 204**

Effective governance depends on meaningful community engagement and strategic alignment. Boards can engage the community at key moments - including strategic planning, facility decisions, budget priorities, and policy changes affecting students and families. This session explores purposeful, proactive engagement that helps boards understand community priorities, inform stakeholders, and build trust before major decisions or challenges arise. Participants will leave with practical strategies for engaging disengaged audiences and connecting community input to district priorities and action.

PRESENTERS: Marcia Herring, Avary Pansing-Brooks & Ben Anderjaska - NASB
MODERATOR: Galina Slobonyuk - NASB

C9 ACQUIRE DIGITAL WISDOM & RESILIENCY... BY FINDING DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT THAT ENSURES YOUTH WELL-BEING **Room 203**

Chatbots, A.I., and social media continue to create tension between maximizing digital engagement and ensuring youth safety. Digital platforms use surveillance and personal privacy tools with focused optimizing algorithms to capture personal data, time, and attention with insignificant regard to young users' health & well-being. The digital platforms activate emotionally charged responses from youth exposing them to toxic and often harmful content with inadequate safeguards to protect them. Building digital wisdom and resilience is needed for youth tech engagement but they must learn to SMILE first to improve their digital health and well-being. Security, Management, Identity, Literacy, and Empathy.

PRESENTER: Jay Martin - NDE
MODERATOR: Dana Dorn - Southern

C10 THE MANY PATHS TO EFFECTIVE ADVOCACY FROM A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER PERSPECTIVE **Room 208**

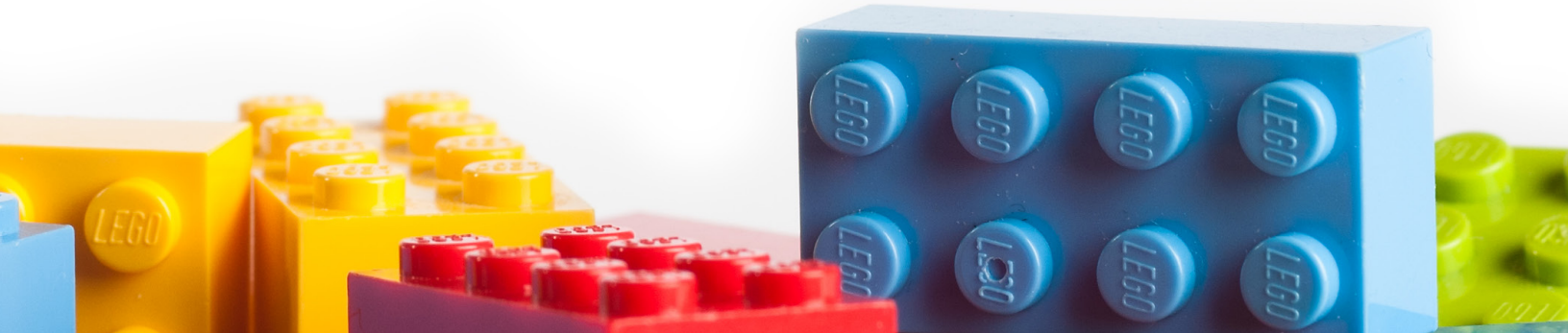
Hear from a panel of current school board members - from urban to rural and east to west - who have advocated at multiple levels, both in Lincoln and from home. They will share practical ways to engage locally, including building relationships, navigating difficult conversations, understanding the legislative process, and finding an advocacy approach that fits your comfort level. From testifying and hosting a community lunch or school visit to becoming your Senator's trusted resource on education and local control, you'll gain actionable ideas to strengthen your advocacy efforts.

PRESENTERS: Matt Belka - NASB, Members of the NASB Board, Legislation Committee, and Legislative Bench
MODERATOR: Lisa Albers - Grand Island

C11 EDUCATOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT: PRACTICAL TOOLS AND DATA FOR DISTRICT LEADERS **Room 209**

Introducing the Coalition of Education Workforce Development. Convened by NRCSA, the coalition supports districts with actionable solutions and timely data to address ongoing workforce challenges. Learn about its formation, key partnerships, and progress, with a focus on how the work directly benefits local schools. We will highlight practical tools, including educator workforce data reports, regional and statewide analysis, and a growing collection of recruitment, preparation, and retention strategies adaptable to local needs. Administrators will leave with a clear understanding of how to access and use these resources to inform decisions, strengthen their educator pipeline, and support long-term staffing stability

PRESENTERS: Stephanie Kaczor - Riverside Public Schools, Sara Skretta - UNL, Paul Sheffield - NRCSA
MODERATOR: Steve Blocher - West Point



D - BREAKOUTS - 3:00 TO 3:45 PM
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D1 REDUCING CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM AND INCREASING AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE Room 214
Ralston Public Schools is working to improve average daily attendance and reduce our number of chronically absent students. This presentation will include a panel from our school district highlighting our data, steps we are taking to identify root causes of chronic absenteeism, and how were able to create an actionable plan to improve attendance across our district.
PRESENTERS: Jason Buckingham, Lisa Schroeder & Andrew Mather - Ralston Public Schools
MODERATOR: Mary Roarty - Ralston

D2 A SNAPSHOT OF CONSOLIDATION Room 203
The dreaded "C" word can lead to anxiety and possible fear. But, all of this work was done to provide more curricular and extracurricular opportunities for students. Learn how the newly formed EMF Public School District went through this process. They will tell their story and be open to questions for those who may be looking to go through this process as well. Consolidation doesn't have to be a dirty word, it can be an agent for positive change.
PRESENTERS: Members of the Board & Administration - Exeter-Milligan-Friend Public Schools
MODERATOR: Brian Shaw - Sandy Creek

D3 CAN WE DO THAT? LEGAL GUIDANCE FOR SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENTS IN AWKWARD MOMENTS Room 215-216
Board Presidents are usually the first to receive the toughest calls, including surprise public outbursts, emergency meetings, social media controversies, and internal disagreements. This session will cover a legal roadmap for navigating confusing and unique situations that may arise throughout the year, as well as a quick overview on board authority, the Open Meetings Act, public comment rules, superintendent relations and contracts, and more.
PRESENTER: Justin Knight - Perry Law Firm
MODERATOR: Carrie Hough - Ralston

D4 CO-TEACHING: CHATGPT & ME (CONSIDERATIONS, TOOLS, & USE-CASES FOR EDUCATORS AND DISTRICTS) Room 205
In this forward-leaning exploration, we will consider questions about Artificial Intelligence, focusing primarily on educational applications (NotebookLM, SchoolAI, and many others) and use cases (differentiation, productivity, vibe coding, etc.), as well as more fundamental issues such as ethical considerations and implications for classrooms and students. This session will be both upbeat and honest, and you will leave with valuable insights, tools, and protocols for navigating the future that has skipped our doorstep and is already in our classroom.
PRESENTER: Christopher Knoell - UNK
MODERATOR: Erick Lee - Arapahoe-Holbrook

D5 CONTRACT CONFUSION: THE BOARD'S ROLE Room 201-202
Whether it's the contract renewal process, Superintendent Pay Transparency posting, evaluation, or other requirements tied to the superintendent's employment, everyone has to understand these obligations. Relatedly, while the board doesn't evaluate other administrators or teachers, they are required by law to contract with all certificated employees. This presentation will cover the fundamentals all board members need to know with a focus on administrator contracts and a short bonus section on teacher contract renewals in the staffing arms race.
PRESENTERS: Karen Haase & Steve Williams - KSB School Law
MODERATOR: Amy Jo Rowse - O'Neill

D6 EHA PLAN UPDATES Room 211-212
Come learn more about upcoming changes and enhancements to the EHA Health and Dental plan! In addition, hear about enhanced technology functions and programs the plan has to offer.
PRESENTERS: Cortney Ray - Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska, Greg Long - EHA
MODERATOR: John Spatz - NASB

D7 THE DISTRICT BOND EXPERIENCE ROUNDTABLE **Room 206-207**

School bond initiatives can shape the future of a district, but gaining community support is rarely straightforward. This roundtable brings together Nebraska districts to share candid insights from their bond journeys - from multiple attempts to successful first passes. Through an interactive discussion, they will highlight challenges, strategies, and lessons learned in community engagement, communication, and trust-building. Attendees will gain practical advice on preparing for a bond campaign, responding to setbacks, and building the support needed to move major facility initiatives forward.

PRESENTERS: Mark Reckmeyer - Boyd Jones, Nichole Baugh - Springfield Platteview Community Schools, Kolin Haecker - Louisville Public Schools
MODERATOR: Laurie Kohmetscher - Sandy Creek

D8 CRISIS TO CLARITY: NAVIGATING CONFLICT, CULTURE & COMMUNICATION **Room 204**

What happens when a difficult conversation becomes public conflict, trust begins to erode, or a board meeting takes an unexpected turn? Through real-world scenarios, this interactive session explores how boards can respond without reacting, communicate clearly, and navigate conflict without losing sight of their governance role. Come ready to tackle the tough stuff and test your leadership instincts. Leave with practical tools and confidence to turn challenging moments into clarity, trust, and effective leadership.

PRESENTERS: Marcia Herring, Stacie Higgins & Stephanie Summers - NASB
MODERATOR: Alex Hildebrand - York

D9 BEYOND THE LEVY: BUILDING A FOUNDATION FOR GREATER STUDENT OPPORTUNITY **Room 208**

School Boards are under pressure to balance budgets, manage tax levies, and meet growing student needs. Learn how a strong school foundation can expand opportunities through private philanthropy, community partnerships and Federal Scholarship Tax Credit without raising taxes. Explore practical strategies for aligning district and foundation priorities, strengthening governance, engaging community leaders, and building momentum. Discover how the Nebraska Association of Public School Foundations and National Association of Education Foundations can help your district learn, connect, and grow.

PRESENTERS: Terri Burchell - North Platte Public Schools, Mike Taylor, National Association of Education Foundations
MODERATOR: Christy Pelton - Bertrand

D10 SEEING TEACHER APPRENTICESHIP THROUGH MULTIPLE LENSES **Room 209**

What does a Teacher Registered Apprenticeship Program look like from the perspectives of those living it every day? This engaging session brings together a panel of voices from across the partnership to share authentic experiences, successes, and lessons learned. Hear from an apprentice, mentor teacher, school principal and NDE as they discuss how this innovative pathway to teaching is strengthening educator pipelines. Participants will gain practical insights, partnership strategies, and examples of how the apprenticeship model is working in Nebraska to support future educators.

PRESENTERS: Brad Dirksen, Kelly Baehr, Jessica Javorsky - NDE; Lisa Epp - UNO
MODERATOR: Candy Becher - Columbus

Super SUPER SESSION - 4:00 TO 5:00 PM
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SS1 HOT TOPICS WITH JIM & KAREN **Room 201-204**



Join veteran school attorneys Jim from Perry Law and Karen from KSB for an insightful and entertaining session on the latest "Hot Topics" in school law. This dynamic duo will break down key legal issues that Nebraska school board members need to understand, whether they're already on your radar or just around the corner. Expect valuable takeaways... and a bit of lively banter between Jim and Karen along the way!

PRESENTERS: Karen Haase - KSB School Law; Jim Gessford - Perry Law Firm



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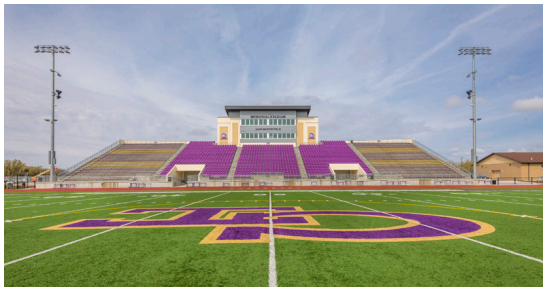
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GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FROM 8:00 TO 11:00 AM IN ROOM 213



EXHIBITORS
8:00 TO 11:15 AM

CLASSROOM SHOWCASE
8:00 TO 11:30 AM - SOUTH BALLROOM







NASB DELEGATE ASSEMBLY
8:00 TO 9:30 AM - NORTH BALLROOM

NASA MEMBERSHIP MEETING
8:00 TO 9:30 AM - ROOM 211-212

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11:15 AM TO 12:15 PM

Thursday

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FROM 7:30 AM TO 4:00 PM - ROOM 213

BOARD MEMBER BOOT CAMP - 7:00 TO 8:15 AM - ROOM 204

OPENING KEYNOTE SPEAKER - 8:30 TO 9:45 AM - "WHAT'S YOUR MVP?"

LUNCHEON KEYNOTE SPEAKER - 12:15 TO 1:45 PM - "BE RELENTLESS"

SUPER SESSION - 4:00 TO 5:00 PM - "HOT TOPICS WITH KAREN & JIM" IN ROOM 201-204

EXHIBITOR RECEPTION - 5:00 TO 6:30 PM

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203	**A10** BEYOND BUZZWORDS: LAYERED SECURITY ARCHITECTURE	**B4** THE ADVOCACY PLAYBOOK	**C9** DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT ENSURES YOUTH WELL-BEING	**D2** A SNAPSHOT OF CONSOLIDATION
204	**A8** SO YOU ARE A NEW BOARD MEMBER	**B8** AT THE BOARD TABLE	**C8** PURPOSEFUL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	**D8** NAVIGATING CONFLICT, CULTURE, & COMMUNICATION
205	**A11** FROM LOW ACHIEVING TO BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL	**B10** HOW-TOS FOR HAL PROGRAMS	**C2** 17 THINGS TO KNOW AS AN ESU BOARD MEMBER	**D4** CO-TEACHING: CHATGPT & ME
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209	**A7** EQUIPPING NEBRASKA'S WORKFORCE PIPELINE	**B11** THE BRADY LEARNING CENTER	**C11** EDUCATOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	**D10** TEACHER APPRENTICESHIPS
210	**A2** POLICY VISIBILITY AND STAFF NEGOTIATIONS	**B6** CAREER EXPLORATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	**C4** HOW NEBRASKA IS TELLING ITS STORY	
211-212	**A1** LEGISLATIVE UPDATE	**B1** WHAT BOARDS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE NSAA	**C1** STUDENT VOICES	**D6** EHA PLAN UPDATES
214	**A6** NAVIGATING A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL BOND ELECTION	**B5** STRATEGIC VALUE OF STUDENT BOARD REPS	**C6** WHEN CRISIS STRIKES	**D1** REDUCING ABSENTEEISM & INCREASING ATTENDANCE
215-216	**A3** PUBLIC COMMENT DONE RIGHT	**B3** MANAGING YOUR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT	**C3** ATHLETICS, BOOSTER CLUBS, AND TITLE IX	**D3** LEGAL GUIDANCE IN AWKWARD MOMENTS





Friday

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST SERVED IN THE SOUTH BALLROOM - 7:00 TO 9:00 AM

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FROM 8:00 TO 11:00 AM - ROOM 213

CLASSROOM SHOWCASE - 8:00 TO 11:30 AM - PRE-FUNCTION AREA

NASB DELEGATE ASSEMBLY - 8:00 TO 9:30 AM - NORTH BALLROOM

NASA MEMBERSHIP MEETING - 8:00 TO 9:30 AM - ROOM 211-212

ROOM	E - BREAKOUTS 9:15 TO 10:00 AM	F - BREAKOUTS 10:15 TO 11:00 AM
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203	**E4** PARTNERING WITH YOUR PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION	**F2** APPRENTICESHIPS PAY OFF
204	**E8** POLICY WITH PURPOSE	**F8** ACCOUNTABILITY IN ACTION
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206-207	**E7** CLOSED SESSION WITHOUT LEGAL MISSTEPS	**F9** NEBRASKA LEADS LITERACY
208	**E2** BEYOND THE BELL: STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS	**F7** FROM PASTURE TO PLATE
209	**E9** WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT HIGHER ED PATHWAYS	
210		**F6** FREEMAN'S STUDENT-LED WELLNESS CREW
211-212		
214	**E6** STRENGTHENING LITERACY ACROSS NEBRASKA	**F4** BEYOND THE AI BASICS
215-216	**E3** A PROACTIVE APPROACH TO BULLYING & HARASSMENT	**F3** SPECIAL EDUCATION AND SECTION 504 ISSUES

SUPER SESSION - 11:15 TO 12:00 PM - "LISTENING SESSION WITH THE STATE BOARD" - ROOM 215-216

SUPER SESSION - 11:15 TO 12:00 PM - "SCHOOL FINANCE REVIEW COMMISSION UPDATE" - ROOM 206-207

LUNCHEON SPEAKER - 12:15 TO 1:45 PM - "1 AM THE DIFFERENCE"

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E - BREAKOUTS - 9:15 TO 10:00 AM
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

E1 RULE 10: REQUIREMENTS, REGULATIONS, REPORTS, AND COMPLIANCE. HOW BOARD MEMBERS CAN SUPPORT THEIR SUPERINTENDENT **Room 205**

Rule 10 has several sections, numerous statutes, and over 200 regulations. This session is for board members who want to support their superintendent through having a better understanding of what it means to be accredited through Rule 10.

PRESENTERS: Decua Jean-Baptiste, Sandra Suiter, Todd Wolverton - NDE
MODERATOR: Liz Tomlin - NASB

E2 BEYOND THE BELL: BOARD STRATEGIES FOR SUSTAINABLE AFTERSCHOOL & SUMMER SUCCESS **Room 208**

Afterschool and summer programs are essential drivers of student achievement and family economic stability in Nebraska, yet local demand continues to outpace supply. Drawing on new research from the Michelle Arehart Fellows alongside superintendent, parent, and community perspectives, this session unpacks Nebraska's post-pandemic funding landscape and current funding challenges. Board members will walk away with a unified advocacy message and concrete strategies related to policy alignment and sustainable partnerships in order to effectively scale and fund high-quality programs across any district size.

PRESENTERS: Carrie Lienemann - North Platte Public Schools, Tamma Zulkoski - Kearney Public Schools, Chelsea Sidel - Crete Public Schools, Nicole Everingham - Collective For Youth, Nola Bennett - Lincoln Public Schools, Karmen Morse - Cozad Community Schools, Maggie Pilar - Norfolk Public Schools
MODERATOR: Marilyn Bohn - ESU 10

E3 ZERO TOLERANCE, REAL SOLUTIONS: A PROACTIVE APPROACH TO BULLYING AND HARASSMENT **Room 215-216**

This session goes beyond discipline policies to explore effective prevention strategies, legal obligations, and best practices for handling bullying and harassment cases. We will give participants insight into federal and state laws, recent case rulings, and proactive measures that promote a positive school climate while reducing legal risks. Designed for school leaders, this presentation provides actionable solutions that move beyond zero-tolerance policies to create lasting change.

PRESENTER: Haleigh Carlson - Perry Law Firm
MODERATOR: Heidi Proskocil - Ord

E4 FOUNDATION FANATICS: HOW PARTNERING WITH YOUR PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION FOSTERS BETTER STUDENT OUTCOMES **Room 203**

We can't do it alone! Strong partnerships create stronger schools. This session explores how school districts and education foundations work together to expand opportunities, remove barriers, and better serve students. Through real-world examples and practical strategies, participants will learn how collaborative leadership, shared vision, and community engagement can strengthen programs, increase impact, and build lasting support for student success. In a time of scarce resources, leveraging philanthropic support is more critical and impactful than ever for public education.

PRESENTERS: John Skretta, Natalia Wiita & Barb Baier - Lincoln Public Schools
MODERATOR: Katie Corfield - NASB

E5 'AI'M STRAIGHT: ADDRESSING AI IN SCHOOLS **Room 201-202**

As board members and administrators, it's got to feel overwhelming. So many AI sessions guilt you into feeling bad for how "little" you're doing to leverage AI. In reality, most board members and administrators we talk to know AI is a powerful tool; they just want to know the right way to frame its uses for their school or ESU. What should our AI policies say for students? For staff? What legal issues might bore us, but need to be addressed in our buildings regarding AI? This presentation is designed to give attendees the practical guidance they need to address AI in their buildings, regardless of whether they feel love, hate, or terror about AI.

PRESENTERS: KSB School Law
MODERATOR: Amy Williams - North Bend Central

E6 STRENGTHENING LITERACY ACROSS NEBRASKA: THE IMPACT OF REGIONAL LITERACY COACHES **Room 214**

Nebraska's statewide literacy initiative represents a significant investment in improving reading outcomes for all students. Central to this effort is the work of regional literacy coaches who partner with educators to implement evidence-based literacy practices, support instructional improvement, and strengthen systems that ensure every student becomes a proficient reader. This presentation will provide participants with an overview of the Nebraska Literacy Project, including its goals, structure, and implementation across the state. Presenters will highlight how literacy coaches work within districts to support principals and teachers, build instructional capacity, and translate research-based practices into classroom instruction.

PRESENTERS: Jen Johnson - ESU 3, Miki Holbeck - ESU 19, Lisa Oltman - ESU 18, Mary Jo Reynolds - ESU 7
MODERATOR: Brad Wilkins - Ainsworth

E7 CLOSED SESSION WITHOUT LEGAL MISSTEPS **Room 206-207**

Closed session is one of the most legally sensitive parts of board governance. This session breaks down when a board may enter closed session, what can (and cannot) be discussed, and how to properly return to open session. We'll also explore real-world case studies involving improper discussions, accidental disclosures, and corrective steps when things go wrong.

PRESENTER: Justin Knight - Perry Law Firm
MODERATOR: Gary Kubicek - Norris

E8 POLICY WITH PURPOSE: CREATING CLARITY, CONSISTENCY, AND ACCOUNTABILITY **Room 204**

School districts face challenges that existing policies may not anticipate, from outdated expectations to the rapidly evolving use of AI. Through real-world scenarios, participants will examine how policy gaps create confusion, challenge decision-making, and affect student learning and professional accountability. Discover how boards and administrators can develop purposeful policies and processes that provide clear direction, support consistent implementation, and keep pace with the changing needs of public education.

PRESENTERS: Marcia Herring & Josh Wall - NASB
MODERATOR: Avary Pansing-Brooks - NASB

E9 EARLY COLLEGE, EARLY DEGREE: WHAT K-12 LEADERS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT HIGHER ED PATHWAYS **Room 209**

As more students graduate high school with college credentials, the definition of "college and career ready" is evolving. Yet, this acceleration raises important questions about transferability, credential meaning, and student readiness. This session unpacks the realities of earning college credits while still in high school, from understanding how credits transfer to recognizing the developmental differences between adolescent and adult learners. Participants will explore data-informed insights, hear practical examples from dual-credit programs, and discuss how K-12 and higher education leaders can collaborate to ensure accelerated students achieve long-term success, not just early milestones.

PRESENTERS: Abigail Ott, Amy Mancini & Marni Danhauer - Central Community College
MODERATOR: Jessica Pozehl - Ainsworth



F - BREAKOUTS - 10:15 TO 11:00 AM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

F1 STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP **Room 205**

This session highlights how one Nebraska high school is shifting instruction to better prepare students for success in today's world. As society places greater value on critical thinking, communication, problem solving, and adaptability, the school is moving beyond compliance and recall toward student thinking, discussion, and visible learning. Using the Instructional Practice Guide as a shared framework, the school has clarified expectations for learning and raised the expectation of instructional leadership. Board members will leave with a clearer understanding that strong instructional systems make student expectations visible and require alignment from the board table to the classroom.

PRESENTERS: Brittney Kuhr - Fremont Public Schools, Ryan Ricenbaw - NDE
MODERATOR: Liz Kumru - Ralston

F2 APPRENTICESHIPS PAY OFF: A HIGH-RETURN MODEL FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION & INCLUSIVE EARLY CHILDHOOD STAFFING **Room 203**

UNL's teacher apprentice model strategically aligns district investment with workforce stability focused on student outcomes. This session focuses on how paid, on-the-job training with expert faculty, competency-based instruction and guided classroom practice reduces recruitment costs, minimizes reliance on temporary or alternative permits, and accelerates teacher effectiveness. Data consistently shows high teacher retention rates with candidates and student academic benefits. Learn how UNL's model yields a robust pipeline of fully certified, district-ready teachers through a scalable, adaptable and cost-effective solution that strengthens and stabilizes staffing for measurable student results.

PRESENTERS: Sara Skretta, Kelley Goecke & Sue Kemp - UNL, Barbara Miller - Lincoln Public Schools
MODERATOR: Shavonna Holman - Omaha

F3 WAKE UP CALL: SPECIAL EDUCATION & SECTION 504 ISSUES FOR BOARDS & ADMINISTRATORS **Room 215-216**

The fastest developing areas for school litigation surround students with disabilities. The rights of parents with students that have disabilities are actively enforced by government agencies such as the Department of Education, the Office of Civil Rights, and the Department of Justice. In this session we will go through best practices and common pitfalls under the IDEA and Section 504 to help your district develop specialized plans, respond to parent complaints, create plans for difficult behaviors, and more!

PRESENTER: Haleigh Carlson - Perry Law Firm
MODERATOR: Rusty Rhynalds - Minden

F4 BEYOND THE AI BASICS: WHAT SCHOOL LEADERS NEED TO KNOW NOW **Room 214**

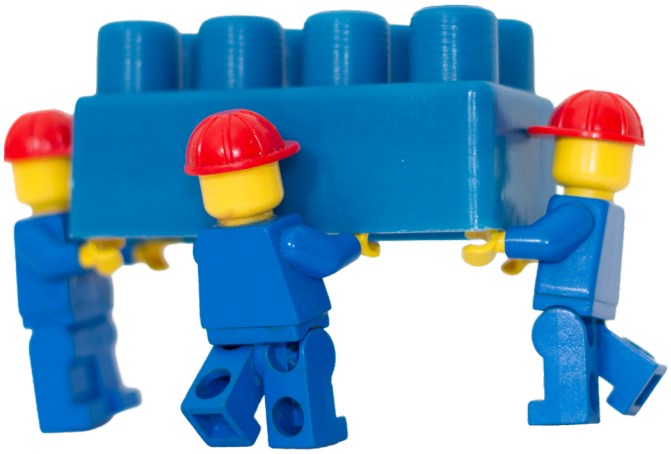
Many have attended an AI session - but have you paused to examine what has changed and which leadership decisions now matter most? We will highlight an evolving approach to AI literacy, including statewide resources, pilot efforts, and guidance housed within Nebraska's SupportED site. Explore how AI intersects with digital citizenship, media literacy, academic integrity, and student wellbeing. Leaders will leave with a roadmap that clearly illustrates next steps along with the trusted repository of resources needed to support responsible implementation.

PRESENTERS: Andrew Easton & Dorann Avey - ESUCC
MODERATOR: Peter Sample - Neligh-Oakdale

F5 PAIN IN THE APP, V. 12.0 **Room 201-202**

Like a fine wine, this presentation gets better (and crazier) with each passing year, yet somehow the presenters haven't aged at all. Unsurprisingly, we have a whole host of new and evolving legal issues related to social media, AI, technology, and other key topics for administrators and board members. Come join us for year 12!

PRESENTERS: Bobby Truhe, Sara Rogers & Amanda Dabney - KSB School Law
MODERATOR: Allison Sandman - Wauneta-Palisade



F6 FREEMAN'S STUDENT-LED WELLNESS CREW Room 210

This is Freeman's fifth year of promoting mental health awareness throughout our K-12 building, focusing on mental wellness. This is a student-led group and includes weekly and monthly messages as well as school-wide activities. Examples of these messages and school-wide activities will be provided through a slideshow and artifacts.

PRESENTERS: Trish Alexander & Freeman Wellness Crew student members - Freeman Public Schools; Jamie Mapp & Tate Mazour - ESU 5
MODERATOR: Dana Dorn - Southern

F7 FROM PASTURE TO PLATE: BUILDING A LOCAL BEEF PROGRAM THAT CONNECTS STUDENTS, SCHOOLS, AND COMMUNITY Room 208

Norris School District 160 transformed a simple idea, serving locally sourced beef in school meals, into a powerful educational and community partnership initiative. This session will walk participants through how our district developed and implemented a sustainable local beef program that supports local producers, enhances student nutrition, and creates authentic learning opportunities. Attendees will learn how Norris partnered with a local cattle producer, aligned the program with federal school nutrition guidelines, developed improved recipes, and more. Practical steps will be shared related to budgeting, processing logistics, delivery options, and collaboration with food service staff.

PRESENTERS: Derrick Joel, Gary Kubicek & Sean Molloy - Norris School District 160
MODERATOR: Neal Kanel - HTRS

F8 ACCOUNTABILITY IN ACTION: EVALUATIONS, SELF-ASSESSMENT, AND HIGH-IMPACT GOVERNANCE Room 204

Accountability is more than checking a box, it creates the clarity, trust, and leadership needed to move a district forward. This interactive session explores how strong accountability practices strengthen leadership, improve board performance, and build a culture of trust and continuous improvement. Through practical strategies and discussion, participants will examine how to set meaningful goals, establish clear expectations, provide constructive feedback, and use accountability to turn expectations into action and results.

PRESENTERS: Marcia Herring, Stacie Higgins & Stephanie Summers - NASB
MODERATOR: Josh Wall - NASB

F9 NEBRASKA LEADS LITERACY: THE BOARD'S ROLE IN SYSTEMWIDE SUCCESS Room 206-207

Nebraska Leads Literacy: The Board's Role in Systemwide Success highlights the current progress of raising state literacy proficiency across Nebraska and the critical role school boards play in improving outcomes. Participants will review statewide literacy efforts, including the Nebraska Literacy Project, the Comprehensive Literacy State Development (CLSD) Grant, and Nebraska Leads Literacy. The session will introduce the Nebraska Leads Literacy leadership cohort and outline actionable ways boards can support district literacy efforts and strengthen leadership accountability. Attendees will leave with clear system-level levers that strengthen district efforts and advance literacy achievement for all students.

PRESENTERS: Jamie Cook & Jane Stavem - NDE
MODERATOR: Larianne Polk - ESUCC

Super SUPER SESSIONS - 11:15 AM TO NOON
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20



SS2A A LISTENING SESSION WITH MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Room 215-216

Share your thoughts on statewide education policy with members of the State Board of Education. State Board members are particularly interested in what is currently affecting local school boards and districts, and the solutions you have to offer for these issues. Topics may include school accountability, accreditation, and approval; educator certification; and statewide assessment, among others. Attending this session is a great opportunity for you to have your voice heard among members of the State Board of Education.

PRESENTERS: Elizabeth Tegtmeier, Kristin Christensen, Liz Renner, and Lisa Schonhoff - State Board of Education



SS2B SCHOOL FINANCE REVIEW COMMISSION UPDATE Room 206-207

Representatives of the School Finance Review Commission will provide an update on the progress of the Commission, including an overview of any recommendations made in its most recent report to the Nebraska Legislature. Panelists will then answer questions from the audience regarding the work of the Commission.

PRESENTERS: Members of Finance Review Commission

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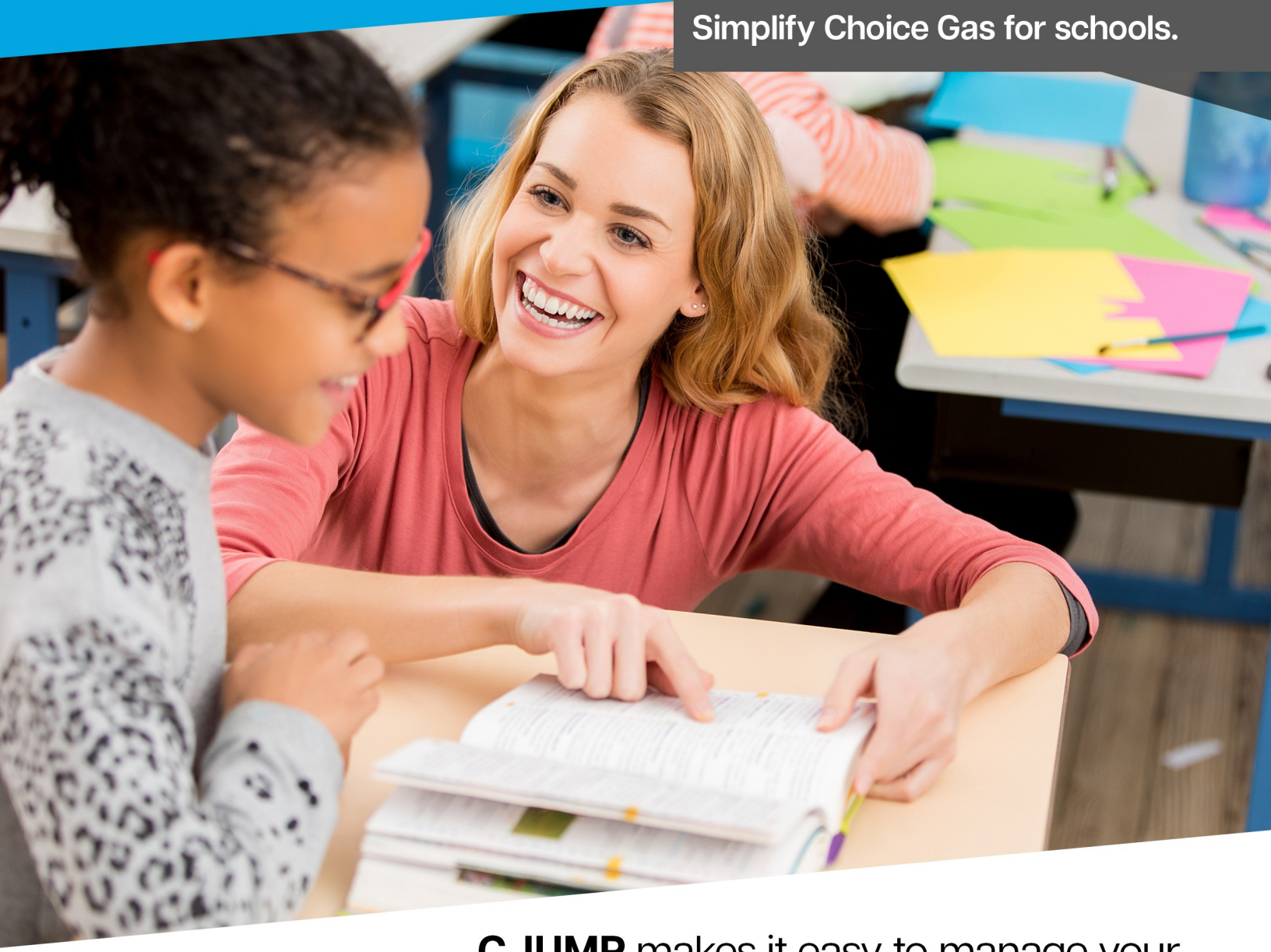
Danny Steele spent 31 years in education serving as a teacher, coach, and administrator. Throughout his career he developed a passion for supporting and inspiring educators, helping them build positive school cultures where both students and teachers thrive. Steele's leadership was recognized statewide when he was named Alabama's Assistant Principal of the Year in 2005 and Alabama's Secondary Principal of the Year in 2016. As a longtime principal, author, and the voice behind the popular blog, "SteeleThoughts", Danny has built a national following by reminding educators of what really matters: relationships, belonging, and the small, human moments that shape school culture. His message is simple but lasting - when students feel like they belong, they learn. When teachers feel supported, they lead. And when schools focus on relationships, everything changes.

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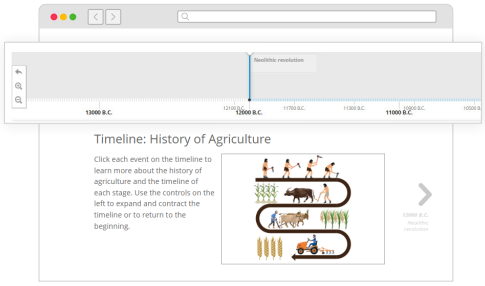
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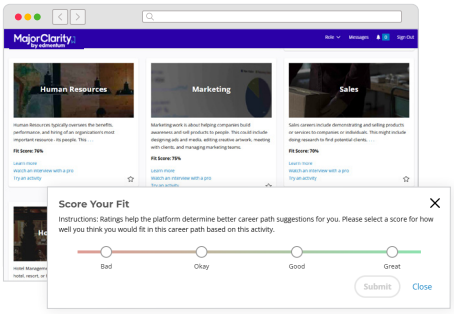
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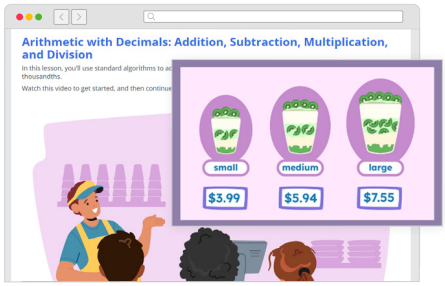
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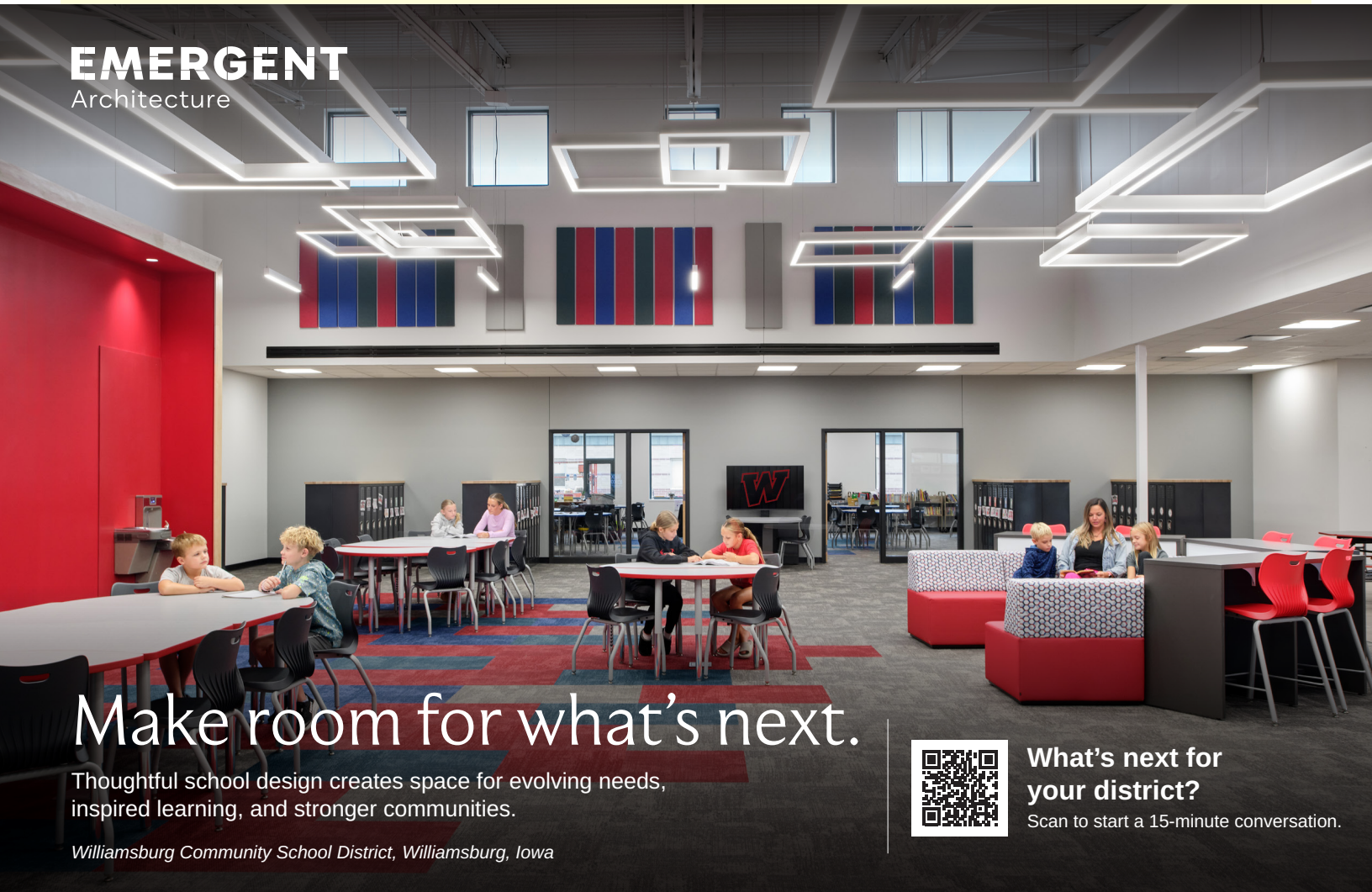
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A7 EQUIPPING NEBRASKA'S WORKFORCE PIPELINE
A8 SO YOU ARE A NEW BOARD MEMBER
A9 RETENTION IS THE NEW RECRUITMENT
A10 BEYOND BUZZWORDS: LAYERED SECURITY ARCHITECTURE
A11 FROM LOW ACHIEVING TO BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

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B2 SUPERINTENDENT PANEL
B3 MANAGING YOUR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT
B4 THE ADVOCACY PLAYBOOK
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B6 CAREER EXPLORATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
B7 CAN THEY SUE ME FOR THAT?
B8 AT THE BOARD TABLE
B9 CULTIVATING THE NEXT GENERATION OF TEACHERS
B10 HOW-TOS FOR HAL PROGRAMS
B11 THE BRADY LEARNING CENTER

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D3 LEGAL GUIDANCE IN AWKWARD MOMENTS
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D6 EHA PLAN UPDATES
D7 THE DISTRICT BOND EXPERIENCE ROUNDTABLE
D8 NAVIGATING CONFLICT, CULTURE, & COMMUNICATION
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E6 STRENGTHENING LITERACY ACROSS NEBRASKA
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F1 STUDENT ENGAGEMENT & INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP
F2 APPRENTICESHIPS PAY OFF
F3 SPECIAL EDUCATION AND SECTION 504 ISSUES
F4 BEYOND THE AI BASICS
F5 PAIN IN THE APP, V. 12.0
F6 FREEMAN'S STUDENT-LED WELLNESS CREW
F7 FROM PASTURE TO PLATE
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