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2023

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WELCOME TO THE ANNUAL BOOST CONFERENCE!

On behalf of the 2023 BOOST Leadership Team, it is my pleasure to welcome you to BOOST. We are delighted to have you learn, connect, and celebrate our collective work this week in sunny Palm Springs.

We are proud to convene the largest and most comprehensive global community of in and out-of-school time educators. We hope you will immerse yourself in the diverse offerings- workshops, podcasts, BOOST Film Festival, BOOST Nation: Town Hall meetings, Master Classes, Exhibit Hall, Meet the Authors, and all of the special events throughout the week. Take a moment to soak it all in and be intentional about meeting new people, everyone has a story. THIS is where the magic happens.

We are so grateful to have our BOOST Community together this week and we hope that this time will rejuvenate new learning and connections, link you to the latest tools and research, and a renewed inspiration that you can take back to your colleagues, programs, students, families, and communities.

Thank you for being a part of the BOOST community. The work you do every day makes it possible for all of us to inspire youth, inspire learning, and inspire change. Together we make a difference, and we are so proud to have you as a partner in this work.

Tia Quinn
FOUNDER & CEO • BOOST COLLABORATIVE
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ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR STAY IN BEAUTIFUL PALM SPRINGS!
BOOST AMBASSADORS

BOOST Ambassadors are global leaders in the expanded learning and in and out-of-school time fields who help support, promote, and bring awareness to services offered by BOOST Collaborative. They are our biggest advocates, passionate about our brand, and working hard to spread the word about our cause.

Interested in becoming a BOOST Ambassador? Email communications@boostcollaborative.org for more information.

Thank you to our BOOST Ambassadors for making a difference!

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BOOST Ambassadors are part of our street marketing team to support the growth and sustainability of the BOOST Conference. Network with in and out of school time global educators and help make a difference.

Inspire Youth. Inspire Learning. and Inspire Change by partnering with us to provide quality professional development and learning opportunities to our field.

GET ON THE INTEREST LIST NOW THROUGH JUNE 16

LET US KNOW YOU’RE INTERESTED - bit.ly/AmbassadorTeaminterest

WEEK OF JUNE 19
Participate in a mandatory informational webinar

JUNE 28
Deadline to submit application

JUNE 23
Deadline to submit interest in applying

ROOST Ambassadors Announced


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A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE 2023 BOOST LEADERSHIP, IMPLEMENTATION, & ON-SITE SUPPORT TEAMS- IT STARTS WITH YOU!

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A BIG thanks to our additional team members: Libby Burrows, Sean Daniels, Gabriela Delgado, Chloe Dorworth, Wesley Doyle, Alex Gonzalez, Adam McLane & the Goats, and Terri Miller. You all rock!

Honor Roll- Mary Jo Ginty- We miss you!
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STUDENT ARTWORK HALL OF FAME

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Raize The Bar
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THANKS TO ALL OF OUR EXCELLENT ROOM HOSTS AND VOLUNTEERS.
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South Dakota Afterschool Network
Think Together
Vaughn Next Century Learning Center

VOLUNTEERS
Amy Bjork, Thom Bloom, Aida Hairston, Seana Johnson, Shantelle Johnson, Nasca Gordillo Larco, Bryan Larsen, Nancy Manriquez-Dowell, Jim Oyos, Dave Palmer, Rory Parker Phillips, Christopher Pinnkel, Debbie Recht, Robyn Roach, Matt Rosier, Tracy Ulibarri-Vasquez, and Drew Wilson

BLOOD DRIVE
Participate in the LifeStream Blood Drive and help save lives.

THINK RED INSPIRE & PAINT
Participate in the Think Red Inspire & Paint night to support HIV & AIDS charities in San Diego County and the Red Dress Party San Diego.

TOUR DE BOOST
Participate in our Tour de BOOST Walk/Run & Scavenger Hunt on Thursday morning.

TRASH TO TREASURE PROGRAM
Upon completion of the conference, the Palm Springs Convention Center will donate any leftover items from our Exhibitors and personally deliver them to the Boys & Girls Club of Palm Springs.
Simple Verification of Results, Automatic Push into 21APR

With AfterSchool21, you can trust that your data transmits automatically into 21APR, freeing you to focus on students' needs.

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2023 STUDENT HALL OF FAME & ART GALLERY

The BOOST Conference is always proud to highlight student artwork from out-of-school time programs across the nation. This beautiful artwork is displayed in the Renaissance hallway throughout the conference. Please take time to walk through the art gallery and enjoy the artwork during your downtime. It is our hope that the artwork in the gallery will remind us all why we do this work and celebrate the incredible talent that we see in our youth each and every day.

Thank you to the student artists at the following programs:

- Action Youth America/Montebello Unified School District
- After-School All-Stars Los Angeles
- City Of Long Beach Wrap / Long Beach Unified School District
- EduCare Foundation
- KIPP Empower Academy
- KIPP SOCAL
- Klassic Kids Loma Portal
- Klassic Kids Loma Portal Elementary
- LA Conservation Corps
- LEAP- Lennox School District
- Los Angeles Unified School District
- Options for Learning
- Paramount Unified School District
- Reach for the Stars/Whittier City School District
- Santa Ana Unified School District / Orange County Children’s Therapeutic Arts Center (OCCTAC)
- STEM Preparatory Schools
- Vaughn Next Century Learning Center
- Woodcraft Rangers / LAUSD
- YMCA of Greater Long Beach/ABC Unified School
- YMCA/Long Beach Unified School District

STAR, Inc., an after school program in Los Angeles, CA, is donating the use of their art gallery displays along with the staff to hang and arrange the artwork. Thanks STAR, Inc.!

The BOOST Student Hall of Fame was founded in 2009 by Mary Jo Ginty, Region 11 Lead, Los Angeles County Office of Education. We graciously thank Mary Jo and her team for their passion and dedication in honoring the arts and our out-of-school time youth.

Interested in submitting student artwork or other youth leadership opportunities at the 2024 BOOST Conference?

Please visit www.boostconference.org/youth-leadership for more information.
2023 WORKSHOP STRAND SPONSORS

We extend a very special THANK YOU to our expanded learning supporters for providing targeted workshop strands throughout the BOOST Conference. Look for their logos next to their workshop sessions to learn more.

CALIFORNIA AFTERSCHOOL NETWORK

The California AfterSchool Network (CAN) exists to make a difference in the health and well-being of children, youth, their families, and their communities by strengthening access to high-quality Out-of-School Time (OST) programs.

afterschoolnetwork.org

THINK TOGETHER

Think Together delivers nationally-recognized after school programs, early learning, enrichment, and school improvement in over 400 schools in California from San Diego to San Francisco – serving over 200,000 students.

We want a community where all kids get a great education that prepares them for college and career.

thinktogether.org

MINI-WORKSHOP STRAND SPONSORS

PROSOLVE

In 2009, a high school student was using his smartphone to take notes in class. His phone was confiscated because school policy was “no phones allowed”. That student was our Co-Founder, Travis Allen. He disagreed with the policy and created a viral video to show the world how technology could enhance education.

Travis saw a significant need to improve and support education. New tools, information, and technology were coming out every year, and schools were struggling to keep up. He founded ProSolve in 2012 with Arvin Ross to modernize schools and create a new type of learning environment; one that challenged the status quo and positioned students as problem-solvers and lifelong learners.

prosolve.com

WOODCRAFT RANGERS

Woodcraft Rangers has been at the forefront of expanded learning opportunities in the greater Los Angeles area for 100 years. Woodcraft now serves 20,000 youth ages 4-18 annually at afterschool enrichment programs, summer day camps, and sleepaway camps.

Our trauma-informed and highly trained staff are in 90 Title I schools, providing programs in four major learning pathways: visual and performing arts, sports and wellness, STEM, and youth leadership.

From the start, Woodcraft Rangers challenged the norm by opening its programs to all children from every race, religion, and socioeconomic background. Today, we remain committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion, and it is reflected throughout the organization, in our students, staff, and leadership. We continue to welcome and accommodate all youth, including those with disabilities and LGBTQIA youth. Woodcraft Rangers’ DEI commitment can be seen through our hyperlocal staffing model, commitment to outdoor education equity, DEI thought leadership, and culturally relevant programs.

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APPLICATION DATES

NOW THROUGH JUNE 2

Let us know you’re interested - bit.ly/BLTinterestlist

WEEK OF JUNE 5
Participate in a mandatory informational webinar

JUNE 9
Deadline to submit interest in applying

JUNE 14
Deadline to submit application

JUNE 16
2023-2024 BLT Announced

BOOST IS HIRING!

• Marketing & Special Events Assistant
• Program Coordinator- BOOST Cafe Content & Blog Coordinator

Send your resume to jobs@boostcollaborative.org

We can’t wait to create change with you!
KEEP BOOST GREEN!

Take the BOOST Pledge to keep our conference (and the expanded learning field) sustainable and environmentally friendly. Every bit matters and you can make a difference!

**REDUCE • REUSE • RECYCLE**

**AT THE CONFERENCE**
- Bring and use a reusable water bottle and visit BOOST Hydration Stations.
- Bring and use a reusable mug for coffee and other beverages.
- Turn off lights when leaving rooms and unplug personal electronics when you’re not using them in your hotel room.
- Take shorter showers and turn off water when brushing your teeth.
- Participate in your hotel’s towel and linen reuse program if available.
- Recycle all paper materials that you don’t take home from the conference, as well as food and other containers whenever possible.

**REDUCE • REUSE • RECYCLE**

**AT YOUR PROGRAM SITE**
- Reuse your conference tote bag while grocery shopping, running errands, or even at your site for your first aid supplies!
- Use digital copies of handouts and presentation materials whenever possible. If you do use paper, always print double sided.
- Look into plastic-free school supplies.
- Think before you laminate as to not waste plastic.
- Recycle dried out markers with ColorCycle by Crayola.
- Reduce the use of single-use items at your site.

**REUSE YOUR TOTE BAG**
Use as a beach tote • Use as a diaper bag • Take it to the gym or the pool • Plant tomatoes in it • Take it Trick-or-Treating • Bring it to the grocery store • Use it as a diaper bag • Use it as an overnight bag • Use it as a gift bag • Decorate them • Use it as a portable First Aid kit in your program • Pack a picnic lunch • Use it as craft storage • Make it into a throw pillows

**TRASH TO TREASURE PROGRAM**
BOOST is pleased to continue our partnership with the Palm Springs Convention Center and our conference Exhibitors in support of the Trash to Treasure program. The Palm Springs Convention Center consistently strives to be an important part of the Palm Springs Community and has partnered with the Boys and Girls Club of Palm Springs and The Palm Springs Unified School District to improve the lives of students. Upon completion of the BOOST Conference, members of the Palm Springs Convention Center staff will collect donations from Exhibitors that benefit Palm Springs students. These items, which can include leftover rec equipment, handouts, samples, curriculum, giveaways, books, or games, will be personally delivered as a donation in the name of the BOOST Conference.

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MEET THE AUTHORS

Exhibit Hall, Oasis 1 & 2, PSCC *(see booth locations below)*

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26**

9:45AM-10:15AM

Principal Wayman - CEO, Principal Wayman Consulting, Founder of Currently-Trending, Speaker and Author, Philadelphia, PA
**Lead Fearlessly, Love Hard, Finding Your Purpose and Putting It to Work**
BOOST Booth 0101 & 0105

1:30PM-2:30PM

Arik Armstead - Athlete, Humanitarian, Entrepreneur, Armstead Academic Project, San Francisco, CA
BOOST Booth 0101 & 0105

Claudine James @iamthatenglishteacher - NBCT Teacher and Community Liaison, #1 Educator on TikTok
BOOST Booth 0101 & 0105

AnnMarie Baines - Founder and Executive Director, The Practice Space, El Cerrito, CA
**Amplify Student Voices: Equitable Practices to Build Confidence in the Classroom**
Booth 311 (SPARK Mentoring Programs)

Sheryl Evans Davis - Executive Director, San Francisco Human Rights Commission, San Francisco, CA
**Free to Sing**
Booth- Front Porch 2

**THURSDAY, APRIL 27**

12:00PM-1:00PM

Dee Hankins - Inspirational Speaker, Rancho Cucamonga, CA
BOOST Booth 0101 & 0105

Sheryl Evans Davis - Executive Director, San Francisco Human Rights Commission, San Francisco, CA
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Stu Semigran - President and Co-Founder, EduCare Foundation, Van Nuys, CA
**Heartset® Education: A Way of Living and Learning**
Booth 614 Harmony SEL @National University
BOOST Live Podcast Lounge provides an intimate setting where attendees are a part of a live podcast audience. Podcasters will interview thought leaders, facilitate Q&A sessions, and expert panels all in front of a live audience! Be a part of the conversation, learning, and podcast community, live at BOOST.

BOOST Live Podcast Lounge is held in Tahquitz, Renaissance

TUESDAY, APRIL 25
2:00PM-3:00PM
Special Edition from the Field at the BOOST Conference: A Conversation with our Educators
Nick Monzi, Chief Executive Officer & Co-Founder; Calvin Sibert, Chief Mission Officer, Learn Fresh, Philadelphia, PA
https://open.spotify.com/show/6BtLBgeOl28DHvizPaW5VR

7:30PM-8:30PM
FranklinCovey Education Presents: The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People
Lynne Ann S. Fox, MA.Ed., MS.Ed., Global Educational Developer, Innovator, Strategic Planner, and Coach, FranklinCovey Education, Harrisburg, PA
https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-empoweringteacher/id1543262736

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26
10:30AM-11:30AM
IDEAS That Empower Youth: Creating Student-led Learning Environments by Teaching Youth Social Entrepreneurship
Dr. Sonia Toledo, Founder & CEO of Dignity of Children, Creator of Empowered by Youth, Dignity of Children, New York, NY
empoweredbyyouth.com

2:45PM - 3:45PM
School: After Hours
Jenice Lee, Producer, School After Hours LLC., Richmond, VA
schoolafterhours.net

4:15PM-5:15PM
Sunday Candy: The Power of Community to Advance Learning
Sheryl Evans Davis, Creator, Sunday Candy, San Francisco, CA
https://sherylevansdavis.org/sunday-candy

THURSDAY, APRIL 27
10:00AM-11:00AM
Find Your SPARK - Everyone Has an Unbreakable SPARK
Ashley Hunt, Director of Programs and Development; Brooke Wheeldon-Reece, President/CEO, The Spark Initiative, Brandon, FL
https://sparkcurriculum.org/podcast/

1:30PM-2:30PM
Vertical Playpen- The Shared Experience
Phil Brown, Lead Trainer, High 5 Adventure Learning Center, Brattleboro, VT
high5adventure.org/podcast-page/

3:45PM-4:45PM
The Relevant Development Podcast: BECOMING THE LEADER THE YOUTH NEED AND WANT YOU TO BE
Juan Alvarado, CEO, Keynote Speaker, Trainer, and Podcast Host, RAIZE THE BAR, Visalia, CA
https://www.buzzsprout.com/1911255

7:30PM-8:30PM
The #iAmImpact Podcast
Nathan Houston, Co-Founder; Nathaniel Wilson, Co-Founder, #iAmImpact, Sacramento, CA
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FRIDAY, APRIL 28
10:00AM-11:00AM
Becoming More Resilient 101
Dee Hankins, Inspirational Speaker, Rancho Cucamonga, CA
All BOOST Nation: Town Hall meetings will take place in the Madera Room.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26**

10:30AM-12:15PM  
**Expanding Student Success: The State of Expanded Learning in California**  
Heather Williams, Director, Policy and Outreach, California AfterSchool Network, Sacramento, CA; Michael Funk, Director, Expanded Learning Division, California Department of Education, Sacramento, CA

The world of Expanded Learning is rapidly evolving in California! We continue to see unprecedented investment into after school and summer learning at the state and federal levels. In this session, we will discuss how to meet the moment to support our children, youth, families, and communities. We will share the latest policy updates and their implications and host leaders from the field to share their expertise and vision. Join us for this exciting and interactive discussion.

**2:45PM - 4:45PM**  
**Engage Every Student- Fulfilling the Promise of Universal Afterschool and Summer Learning for All Children**  

Engage Every Student is a bold new call to action to provide high-quality out-of-school time learning opportunities for every child who wants to participate. All students should have the supports they need to realize their full potential. Afterschool and summer learning programs are a critical part of that support.

Through the American Rescue Plan, school districts, cities, and states have funding and an unprecedented opportunity to partner with high-quality expanded learning programs to support students’ well-being and academic growth. The U.S. Department of Education has partnered with the Afterschool Alliance, AASA, the School Superintendents Association, the National League of Cities, the National Summer Learning Association, and the National Comprehensive Center to provide schools and communities the connections and assistance they may need to expand access to afterschool and summer learning programs. Learn how you can get involved from the organizations leading the effort.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 27**

10:00AM - 12:00PM  
**The Power of Us - The Latest Data on the Youth Fields Workforce & Why It Matters**  
Jill Young, Senior Researcher, American Institutes for Research, Arlington, VA; Deborah Moroney, Vice President, American Institutes for Research, Arlington, VA; Aleah Rosario, Co-CEO, Partnership for Children & Youth, Oakland, CA

It’s almost here! Come learn about the Power of Us Survey, led by the American Institutes for Research (AIR). You’ll get a sneak peek at preliminary findings about who the adults are working with young people across the country outside the classroom, why they do this work, what kinds of support they need to continue, and where they hope to go career-wise. You’ll learn how you can use the findings to inform professional development, career pathways, and policy for the field.

**1:15PM - 2:30PM**  
**It Takes All of Us: Join the Movement to Advance the Expanded Learning Workforce**  
Aleah Rosario, Co-CEO, Partnership for Children & Youth, Sacramento, CA; Lupine Reppert, Executive Director, California School-Age Consortium, Oakland, CA; Jenny Hicks, Project Director, Partnership for Children & Youth, Oakland, CA

Come, inform, and discuss how CA3 and other system-level stakeholders unify around workforce challenges through policy, practice, and advocacy, as well as provide a roadmap for how the field takes action to address the #1 challenge of making universal expanded learning a reality. Together we will highlight the highest priority needs and current efforts to advance workforce strategies identified through the various workforce workgroups over the last few years and invite the field to help map additional efforts, priorities, and gaps.
The mission of the BOOST Film Festival is to support the work of talented and dedicated filmmakers and to share their work so that it may inspire, educate, and transform youth and educators.

The BOOST Film Festival offers attendees the opportunity to view films highlighting relevant topics in the education field including issues relating to today’s youth. Many of the featured films offer supplemental materials, such as curriculum, to take back and implement at your school or program. When available, the BOOST Film Festival also offers the opportunity for post-film discussion with the filmmakers and/or representatives from the film company.

The BOOST Film Festival will be held in the Mojave Learning Center, Renaissance

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26
10:15AM-12:15PM

17 AND LIFE DOESN’T WAIT
Moderator: Nichi Avina, 2022 California Teacher of the Year, Community Resiliency Model Teacher, Cielo Vista Charter School, Palm Springs, CA

2:45PM-4:45PM

YOUTH V GOV
Moderator: Ryan McCarthy, Executive Director, Global Kindness Initiative, San Francisco, CA

THURSDAY, APRIL 27
10:00AM-12:00PM

THE S WORD
Moderator: Cassandra Arechiga, Learning Associate, Woodcraft Rangers, Los Angeles, CA

1:15PM-2:30PM

RAISE YOUR VOICE
Moderator: Blair Freedman, Senior Director, West Region, Sandy Hook Promise, Newton, CT

3:45PM-5:15PM

SPEAKING IN TONGUES
Moderator: Ana Danielson, Program Coordinator, Mono County Office of Education, Port Hueneme, CA

FRIDAY, APRIL 28
9:15AM-11:15AM

POSSIBLE SELVES
Moderator: Dr. Michelle Lustig, Program Director, Foster Youth Technical Assistance Program, Los Angeles County Office of Education, Oceanside, CA
CAMP INSPIRE WORKSHOP SESSIONS
WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY ONLY IN THE PALM SPRINGS CONVENTION CENTER LOBBY

Camp Inspire workshop sessions are an intimate way to bring a group of participants together for an in-depth conversation to share perspectives about specific area(s) of interest or specific ideas. Camp Inspire workshops are 45-minutes and set in the grand entrance of the Palm Springs Convention Center Lobby amongst the beautiful landscape of Palm Springs.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

10:30AM - 11:15AM - STATION 1
Adaptive with Agency: Play & Learn with DreamBox Math & Reading Plus
Devin Rossiter, Professional Development Specialist, DreamBox Learning, Bellevue, WA

10:30AM - 11:15AM - STATION 2
Sports Stacking - An Inclusive Activity for All Students!
Matt Burk, Program Director, Speed Stacks, Inc., Larkspur, CO

11:45AM - 12:30PM - STATION 1
Elementary Career Labs Workshop
Marianne Bland, Sr. Educational Consultant, Paxton/Patterson, Alsip, IL

11:45AM - 12:30PM - STATION 2
NBA Math Hoops - Creating the Next Math Hoops Champion
Rebecca Wong, Director of Programs, Learn Fresh, Philadelphia, PA

2:45PM - 3:30PM - STATION 1
HarmonySEL Third Edition: In-School and Out-of-School, Relationships Matter
Elle Essenmacher, Account Executive, HarmonySEL @ National University, Windsor, CO

2:45PM - 3:30PM - STATION 2
Collaboration and Working with Contractors
Olaf Henderson, CEO, Diversified Youth Services West Coast, Los Angeles, CA

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

10:00AM - 10:45AM - STATION 1
SEL for OST: Lessons in 20 Minutes or Less
Elle Essenmacher, Account Executive, HarmonySEL @ National University, Windsor, CO

10:00AM - 10:45AM - STATION 2
Sports Stacking - An Activity, a Sport, and So Much More!
Matt Burk, Program Director, Speed Stacks, Inc., Larkspur, CO

11:15AM - 12:00PM - STATION 1
MLB Players STEM League - Creating the Next Math Champion
Denzel Smith, Director of Baseball and Emerging Programs, Philadelphia, PA

11:15AM - 12:00PM - STATION 2
Explore Math for an Adventure of a Lifetime
Mary Curry, Math Enthusiast, MANGO Math Group, Palm Desert, CA

1:15PM - 2:00PM - STATION 1
Connect, Engage, Inspire: How to Recruit and Retain New Staff to Your Program
Ronald Robinson, Growth Coach, Expanded Learning Academy, Sacramento, CA

1:15PM - 2:00PM - STATION 2
Mentoring in Sports: The Coach-Mentor Blueprint
Lauren Puzen, Chief of Strategy, HarmonySEL @ National University, Nyack, NY
BOOST MASTER CLASSES

BOOST Master Classes are classes offered by world-class experts of a specific discipline in order to develop skills in fundamental concepts and stimulate thought in a specific area. BOOST Master Classes may include lectures, panels, research findings, promising practices, case studies, real-world issues, and valuable industry expertise by respected leaders in their field. Get up close and personal in one or all of our Master Classes.

NOTE: There is an additional fee of $30 per BOOST Master Class. If you are interested in registering for a Master Class please visit the On-Site Registration booth in the PSCC Lobby to register, make a payment, and receive your wristband for entrance to the class. Space is limited.

All Master Classes will take place in the Pueblo A/B Room and cost $30 each to attend.

WEDNESDAY
2:45 PM-4:45 PM

Establishing Positive Connections with Your Students
Claudine James, NBCT Teacher and Community Liaison, #1 Educator on TikTok
@iamthatenglishteacher

Everyone faces challenges in their lives, but middle school educator, Ms. James, has never allowed challenges to bring her down. Despite all of her hard work, there was always someone who thought it was not enough. Instead of letting this tear her down, she used this to teach her students “When they go low, we go high”, which is just one of the many powerful quotes she utilizes. Before becoming the #1 educator on TikTok, she was an award-winning educator. Claudine has always gone above and beyond, writing grants, applying for classroom tools, and traveling to summer teacher institutes to help enrich students’ learning experiences and grow within herself to be the best educator she possibly could be. Join this Master Class as Ms. James shares how she’s overcome obstacles, created a powerful platform to engage her students in the learning process, and make life-changing connections with her students.

Follow Claudine on TikTok @iamthatenglishteacher.

THURSDAY
10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Define Resilience
Dee Hankins, Inspirational Speaker, Rancho Cucamonga, CA

One of the many dictionary definitions of “Resilience” is the ability to easily adjust to misfortune or change. However, if you’ve ever had a traumatic experience, you know that most times we don’t easily adjust to things. Here is my definition- Resilience: The ability to bounce back! Similar to how we are all different, so are our experiences as well as how we bounce back from those experiences. In this session, we will learn that we are the true definition of resilience. We’ll take a deep dive into how we bounce back from our circumstances and, more importantly, how we Define Resilience!
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Some of the workshops and main presenters previously announced have changed. Please refer to the schedule in the conference app for the most accurate workshop listings, speakers, and special events. Any last-minute changes will be announced at General Sessions and updated in our conference app in real time.

Seating in all workshop sessions is limited. Workshop sessions are on a first-come, first-seated basis. If your first choice is full, please select another workshop. Also, we ask that you remain in your chosen workshop for its duration and not enter a workshop once it has begun to avoid any interruptions.

CONFERENCE WORKSHOP & SPECIAL EVENT LOCATIONS
We use three facilities for BOOST Conference workshops and special events.

RENAISSANCE HOTEL

PALM SPRINGS CONVENTION CENTER (PSCC)

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The Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel and the Palm Springs Convention Center are connected, and we also use the Hilton Hotel, one block away for workshops and special event space. Please note that we have color-coded the facility map so you can easily find all conference workshops and special events. Also, please keep in mind that meals served at each of these facilities must be eaten at the facility where it was served, and cannot be removed from that area. We appreciate your cooperation!

WORKSHOP SESSION EVALUATIONS
Your constructive and specific feedback is important to us so that we can improve our services and support you in your professional development needs. Please remember to complete an evaluation after each workshop session using the QR code provided by your Room Host.

WORKSHOP MATERIALS
The workshop presentation slides and handouts are available on the BOOST Cafe website. To access the conference materials, please set up a FREE profile on https://boostcafe.org. You will need to wait 24-48 hours for your profile to be approved. Once your profile is approved, you can log in and click on RESOURCES > CONFERENCE MATERIALS and search for the content you are interested in. Questions? Email hello@boostcafe.org for support.

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Please be respectful to our presenters and other attendees by keeping your cell phones silent during ALL sessions, and limit texting and phone calls to non-workshop hours. Your courtesy is appreciated!

OVERALL CONFERENCE EVALUATION & CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE
We hope you will take the time to complete our overall conference evaluation and share your thoughts with us. The link will be emailed to you after the conference and will be active for 2 weeks only. Upon completion of the evaluation, you will receive a digital Certificate of Attendance for your records. You will not be able to receive a Certificate of Attendance after this window. We appreciate your helpful feedback!

NAME BADGES
Your conference name badge serves as your pass to the entire conference, including meals, workshops, special events, and any pre-registered events. It is mandatory that you wear it for ALL conference-sponsored events to ensure inclusive participation. Please note that there will be a fee of $720 to replace your name badge. Please visit the On-Site Registration Booth in the Convention Center lobby if you have any questions about replacing your name badge.

HEALTH & SAFETY
The health and safety of our BOOST Community are of the utmost importance and our goal is to provide a safe experience for everyone. We recommend that everyone conforms to their own comfort level which may include wearing a face mask throughout the conference facilities. We recommend regular hand washing, using hand sanitizer provided throughout the event, and using red, yellow, or green stickers on your name badge to communicate your social distancing comfort level. These stickers are available at the BOOST Information Table (Renaissance) and the BOOST Information Booth (PSCC). Pronoun stickers are available at both of these locations so that you can adhere to your name badge. Read more about why pronouns matter https://pronouns.org/what-and-why

BADGE SCANNING
All attendee name badges have a bar code that includes your name, organization, address, and email address. Our friendly BOOST Conference Volunteers will be scanning your name badge upon entrance at meals, special events, and general sessions, including entrance to the Exhibit Hall to track attendance. Additionally, many of our exhibitors and presenters will ask to scan your name badge to follow up with you after the conference.

EMERGENCY CONTACT
We encourage you to take a moment to put your emergency contact information on the reverse side of your conference name badge. Your safety and well-being are very important to us.

LOST & FOUND
There is a lost and found box at the On-Site Registration Booth in the PSCC Lobby. Please check with the On-Site Registration team if you have misplaced any items during the conference. While we are not responsible for lost or stolen items, we will save any items brought to us until the last day of the conference. BOOST claims no responsibility for returning lost items after the Closing Session.
NEED HELP?
Conference Volunteers are wearing white ribbons and are here to assist you in finding workshop sessions or anything else you might need during the conference. Please do not hesitate to ask any of the BOOST Conference Volunteers for help. Also, stop by the Info Booth outside of the Exhibit Hall or the Info Table at the Renaissance/Palm Springs Convention Center line and ask one of our team members for assistance— or just say hello!

FIND YOUR MATCH CONTEST
All participants that pre-registered for BOOST have a number in the corner of their name badge. Guess what? Two other attendees have the same name! If you can find your matches before the end of the conference, you may have the chance to win free conference registration for the 2024 BOOST Conference. We encourage you to mingle, seek out your matches, and make new friends. All matching trios must come together to the BOOST Collaborative Booth (0101 & 0105) in the Exhibit Hall to announce their successful match and to be entered to win. Winners will be announced on Thursday morning during the General Session. Please note that gift certificates are non-transferable and are worth the 2024 Standard Registration fee only. Have fun!

ONLINE NETWORKING
Want to coordinate a meet-up with other like-minded professionals during BOOST? Do you have recommendations for your favorite restaurant or tourist spot in Palm Springs? Does your spouse need a golf buddy or want to hang out at the outlets, pool, or casino while you’re in workshops? Looking to connect? Leave a message for friends and colleagues on the conference app and connect!

CONCIERGE DESK
Please stop by the Concierge Desk in the PSCC Lobby for information about local restaurants, shopping, events, public transportation, and other attractions in Palm Springs. Enjoy your stay! Nursing mothers can also stop by here or at the PSCC Info Booth to request access to the Mother’s Room.

ALL-GENDER RESTROOMS
We are pleased to offer all-gender restrooms to accommodate all genders located in the PSCC Lobby and marked with signage. This bathroom does not contain products for those who menstruate.

INTERNET ACCESS
Free Internet access is available throughout the Renaissance Hotel lobby and Rocks Lounge.

PARKING
During conference events, self-parking is available at the Palm Springs Convention Center and in the Andreas Overflow Parking Lot. If you are an overnight guest at any of the area hotels, please confirm the parking rates with your hotel. We encourage you to also seek accessible street parking.

COLLEGE CREDITS—University of California, Irvine (UCI) Continuing Education
We are pleased to announce our continued partnership with the University of California, Irvine (UCI) Continuing Education to offer you the opportunity to earn undergraduate credits. The BOOST Conference is being offered as a 9-unit course through UCI Continuing Education. Earn your credits by participating in six of our conference workshops and completing independent follow-up work. Participants will receive a certificate of completion for all credits of the UCI Extension Course. After School Curriculum and Program Development: Key to Success. The total registration fees are $400, payable to BOOST Collaborative.

If you are interested in participating in this program, or would like more information, you will need to attend a mandatory Orientation on Wednesday, April 26, from 7:45AM-8:15AM, in the Mesquite G/H room, Palm Springs Convention Center.

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS (CEUs)
We are pleased to continue our partnership with the California Association of School Psychologists (CASP) to offer Continuing Education Units. CEUs are available for Licensed Education Psychologists, Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists, and Licensed Clinical Social Workers. In addition, continuing professional development for Nationally Certified School Psychologists is also available. The cost to participate in the CEU program is a total flat rate of $30. In lieu of an on-site orientation, please review the BOOST CEU Orientation video on our website www.boostconference.org/college-credits for an overview of CEUs at BOOST.

Make checks payable to: California Association of School Psychologists (checks only, no cash or credit card payments accepted). All payments can be made at our On-Site Registration Booth in the PSCC Lobby. Once payment is made, you will receive the evaluations needed for CASP. Please look for the orange triangle next to CEU-eligible workshop descriptions.

PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEOGRAPHY
Please note that most workshops and special events at the BOOST Conference may be video recorded and photographed by our in-house photographers and videographers. All official BOOST Photographers and Videographers wear a green ribbon on their name badge to indicate that they are official BOOST Conference Photographers and Videographers. Please “Like” BOOST Collaborative on Facebook or “Follow us” on Instagram and share your #boostconference experience with your friends and colleagues.

LOCAL RESTAURANTS
Many restaurants in the Palm Springs area have altered their hours due to staff shortages. We recommend that you make reservations for your preferred restaurants in advance to ensure seating.
Inspiration Stations are an informal way to bring a more intimate group together to share perspectives about specific area(s) of interest. Attending an Inspiration Station is a chance to learn something new, outside the traditional workshop setting, and to join groups of your peers who share similar challenges or questions that you have. It’s a great chance to build connections and create opportunities for collaboration. It is also a great opportunity to share best practices, discuss new ideas, get feedback through a focus group, or participate in Make-It, Take-It session. Each Inspiration Station is chaired by a designated person and offers explorations aligned with the BOOST Conference core values:

Inspire Youth. Inspire Learning. Inspire Change.

Inspiration Stations will be offered on Wednesday and Thursday in the Exhibit Hall—look for signage and bright yellow tables. (Each Inspiration Station is limited to 10 attendees—space is limited).

**Wednesday**
- 10:30AM – 11:15AM
- 11:30AM – 12:15PM
- 2:45PM – 3:30PM

**Thursday**
- 10:00AM – 10:45AM
- 11:00AM – 11:45AM
- 1:15PM – 2:00PM

### WEDNESDAY

**10:30AM-11.15AM**
- **Station A:** Claymation for Mindful Self-Expression and Fun  
  Jamie Parganos, Executive Director, Creative Muse, Brooklyn, NY
- **Station B:** Design Thinking Mini Institute  
  Sri Narayanan, Co-Founder, Kodely, Bay Area, CA
- **Station C:** How to Manage ELO-P Stress-Free  
  Helen Wang, CEO and Co-founder, 6crickets Expanded Learning Management Solutions, Bellevue, WA
- **Station D:** eSports Jeopardy!  
  Sabrina Spadafino, Director of Academic Services, Mastery Coding, Thousand Oaks, CA
- **Station E:** The Great Math Escape  
  Mary Curry, Math Enthusiast, MANGO Math Group, Palm Desert, CA
- **Station F:** Digital Tools and Resources for Community Engagement  
  Janessa Drainville, Demand Generation Specialist, TransACT Communications, LLC, Lynnwood, WA
- **Station G:** Field Excursion Time! Let’s Get K-12th & SPED Students Outdoors Loving STEM and Collecting Samples  
  Elizabeth Hunter, Volcanologist, Curriculum Innovator, STEMtaught, Bakersfield, CA

**11:30AM - 12:15PM**
- **Station A:** Transforming Young Minds Through Hydroponics and STEM Education  
  Lalu Bere, Brand Vice President, Fork Farms, Green Bay, WI
- **Station B:** Unleashing Your Power to Promote Positive Change  
  Mariana Lopez Quintanilla, Program Director, Bay Area Community Resources, San Francisco, CA
- **Station C:** Playing for KEEPS, Fun Activities for Math, and Reading Essentials  
  Rich Stuart, Product Specialist, Learning Wrap-Ups, Layton, UT
- **Station D:** Building Connections through Heartset® Education (Social-Emotional Learning)  
  Armando Diaz, VP, Programs & Partnerships, EduCare Foundation, Van Nuys, CA; Yesenia Leon, ACE Site Administrator, EduCare Foundation, Lake Balboa, CA; Tomas Licea, ACE Site Administrator, EduCare Foundation, Los Angeles, CA
- **Station E:** LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY® Workshop  
  Ali Martin, Partnership Manager, Professor Egghead Science Academy, Glendale, CA
- **Station F:** #iAmImpact “Maximizing Your Potential”  
  Nathan Houston, Founder/CEO, #iAmImpact, Sacramento, CA
- **Station G:** Engaging Students in On & Offline Spaces  
  Raynee Russell, Operations Manager, Global Kindness Initiative, Paradise, CA
2:45PM-3:30PM
Station A: Iterative Processes - Scaffolding for Reluctant Artists in Middle and High School Classrooms
Hiep Nguyen, Art Director, Circle Painting and Draw All You Can, Riverside, CA
Station B: Building Character through Movement and Mindfulness
Jess Wadleigh, Physical Activity Specialist, Skillastics, Corona, CA
Station C: Play On Words
Jane Felling, Consultant/Author, Box Cars and One-Eyed Jacks, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Station D: Tabletop Games: Play Games, Have Fun, While Learning!
Herbert Bolanos, Associate Director of Learning and Development, Woodcraft Rangers, Los Angeles, CA
Station E: The Power of TEACH TO LEARN
Lynne Ann S. Fox, MA.Ed., MS.Ed., Global Educational Developer, Innovator, Strategic Planner, and Coach, FranklinCovey Education, New Hope, CT
Station F: The Literary Portal
Andre Lewis, Owner, Literary Engineers, Benicia, CA
Station G: Rockin’ Robots
Jan Zatloukal, Instructional Designer, PCS Edventures!, Boise, ID

THURSDAY
10:00AM - 10:45AM
Station A: Customer Service - Apologizing for Things That Aren’t My Fault With a Smile
Jennifer Moorehead, Founder/CEO, Science Explorers, Mohnton, PA
Station B: Tips & Tricks to Inspire the Next Generation of STEAM Creators
Kate Hay, Customer Success & Sales, Piper Learning Inc., San Francisco, CA
Station C: Using Magic to Help Kids Think of OTHERS!
Brian South, Creative Director, Magic Explorers, Payson, UT
Station D: The Walking Classroom -- How it Works, Why it Works, and Why It Is a Great STEM Resource, Too
Debra Ives, Director, Business Development, The Walking Classroom, Durham, NC
Station E: Belief in the Power of Young People - Equity Work
Samuel Blanco, Community Partnership Manager, City Year Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA
Station F: Bricks: The Ultimate STEM Manipulative
Ryan Byard, STEM Program Specialist, PCS Edventures!, Boise, ID
Station G: From Rookie to Veteran to the Staff Everyone Will Love
Juan Alvarado, CEO and Founder, Raize the Bar, Visalia, CA
11:00AM - 11:45AM
Station A: Raising Self-Esteem through Physical Activity
Jess Wadleigh, Physical Activity Specialist, Skillastics, Corona, CA
Station B: Connect to Nature with Science Action Club
Rachael Van Schoik, Science Action Club Program Manager, California Academy of Sciences, San Francisco, CA
Station C: Pronoun Button Making
Maria Garcia, Program Manager, Rainbow Labs, Los Angeles, CA
Station D: Align for Success: Building Relationships and Meeting Students’ Needs
Lauren Levorsen, School Alignment and Data Specialist, Utah Afterschool Network, Salt Lake City, UT
Station E: Creating the Space for Leaders: How to Give Your Students and Staff A Voice!
Richard Patterson, Expanded Learning Program Site Coordinator, Modesto City Schools, Modesto, CA
Station F: Magic, Puzzles, and Wonder to ex-SEL!
Mikayla Oz, CEO/Founder, The Magician School, West Des Moines, IA
Station G: Global Service and Learning for a More Just and Joyful World
Brandon Blache-Cohen, Executive Director, Amizade, Pittsburgh, PA
1:15PM - 2:00PM
Station A: Lesson Planning Made Easy
Curlen Phipps, Partner, Resourceportal.com, Fresno, CA
Station B: We’re In This Together: Community Efforts for Learning Recovery in Public Schools in Central America
Camila Acevedo, Regional Education Associate, Glasswing International, San Salvador, El Salvador
Station C: Collaborating for Success: Building Quality Staff and Community Partnerships
Taliaa Smith, Director of Training and Development, Give Every Child a Chance, Manteca, CA
Station D: NBA Math Hoops & MLB Players STEM League - Creating the Next Math Champion
Rebecca Wong, Director of Programs, Learn Fresh, Philadelphia, PA
Station E: Build Your Own Do-It-Yourself Candy Dispenser with Elemental Hardware DIY Enrichment
Aidan King, DIY Instructor & Trainer, Elemental Hardware DIY Enrichment, Oxnard, CA
Station F: Finding Your SPARK Through Stress and Overwhelm
Nicole Wilson, Community Programs Manager, The SPARK Initiative, Brandon, FL
Station G: Purposeful Music and Movement
Mark Turner, Founder & CEO, Dr. Mark Studio, Nacogdoches, TX
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**WORKSHOP LEGEND**

- **PK** Pre-Kindergarten
- **E** Elementary School
- **M** Middle School
- **H** High School
- **HE** Higher Education
- **ULA** Upper-Level Administration (e.g., manage an organization, manage a budget, raise funds, and/or work with a governing board)
- **MLA** Mid-Level Administration (e.g., manage/direct one or more program sites)
- **CB** Capacity Building (e.g., provide professional development, provide technical assistance, monitor programs, evaluate programs, and/or conduct research)
- **DS** Direct Service (e.g., work directly with children/youth)
- **CEUs** Continuing Education Units

Look for the Workshop Legend in the margin of each page to determine what workshop suits your needs.

Some of the workshops are geared specifically for California’s After School Education and Safety (ASES) Programs and 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Programs. These workshops are indicated with a CA FOCUS icon.

Everyone is welcome to attend these sessions.
2023 BOOST CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

REGISTRATION 8:30AM-5:00PM  PALM SPRINGS CONVENTION CENTER LOBBY

PRE-CONFERENCE ACADEMIES 9:00AM-5:00PM  CATALINA PASADENA, SIERRA/VENTURA, MADERA

BOOST CONFERENCE ORIENTATION 9:00AM-5:00PM  PALM SPRINGS CONVENTION CENTER LOBBY

BOOST SWIM CLUB 1:00PM-5:00PM  POOLSIDE RENAISSANCE

BOOST LIVE PODCAST LOUNGE 2:00PM-8:30PM  TAHQUITZ, RENAISSANCE

OPENING WELCOME RECEPTION 5:30PM-6:30PM  ROCKS LOUNGE/POOLSIDE RENAISSANCE

SPECIAL EVENTS 6:00PM-9:00PM  VARIOUS LOCATIONS

PRE-CONFERENCE ACADEMIES

10:00AM-4:45PM

7 HABITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE PEOPLE
Lynne Ann S. Fox, MA.Ed., MS.Ed., Global Educational Developer, Innovator, Strategic Planner, and Coach, FranklinCovey Education, Harrisburg, PA

“The 7 Habits represent a proven process of personal and interpersonal growth and can have both immediate and lasting impact.” – Stephen R. Covey

Lynne will help participants identify what matters most in their work and personal lives. The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People will help you navigate very real personal and professional problems in challenging times.

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WELCOMING SCHOOLS
Cheryl Greene, Director, Human Rights Campaign Foundation, Welcoming Schools, Washington, D.C.

HRC Foundation’s Welcoming Schools is the most comprehensive bias-based bullying prevention program in the nation to provide LGBTQ+ and gender-inclusive professional development training, lesson plans, booklist, and resources specifically designed for educators and youth-serving professionals. Our program uses an intersectional, anti-racist lens dedicated to actionable policies and practices. We uplift school communities with critical tools to embrace family diversity, create LGBTQ+ and gender-inclusive schools, prevent bias-based bullying, and support transgender and non-binary students.

Participants will participate in two training modules throughout this Pre-Conference Academy, LGBTQ Inclusive Schools module and Gender Inclusive Schools module.

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DEMYSTIFYING THE WORLD OF GRANTS
Gabriela B. Delgado, Senior Manager; Michelle E. Houle, Program Specialist, Grant Services, San Diego County Office of Education, San Diego, CA

Are you curious about grants? Does your school or community-based organization need additional funding for specific projects? Could you use some help getting started? If so, this workshop is for you!

The world of grants can often be complex and confusing. Participants will engage in a “crash course” to help them understand and practice the foundational skills needed to explore the pre-award phase of the grant life cycle. The presenters have over 30 years of experience as grant professionals and secured over $100 million in grant funding for their organization in 2021-22.

This workshop will include a combination of lecture, storytelling, and experiential exercises. We highly encourage you to bring your laptop or tablet to participate in the hands-on activities.

Learning Outcomes
- Understanding the phases of the grant life cycle
- Exploring and identifying specific areas of need that require additional funding
- Learning and practicing research techniques for identifying potential funding sources
- Getting organized to be prepared to do the work

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The “8 Steps to Getting Your Esports Club Started” is designed to illustrate the successes, challenges, and best practices in starting a Scholastic Esports community for your school, program, or community-based organization. Kevin Brown, Chief Academic Officer and Global Education Trainer for the North America Scholastic Esports Federation (NASEF) has experience in supporting thousands of clubs around the world in creating unique programs that intersect esports and education. What we’ll cover in this half-day session will take you from “don’t know” to “let’s go!” carefully walking through each step to success along with an exploration of the various curricula, toolkits, and resources available in the NASEF Community. Attendees are encouraged to bring their mobile devices, laptop (optional)

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SWIM CLUB
1:00PM-5:00PM
Not attending a Pre-Conference Academy? No problem. Catch some rays, good boost vibes, and gear up for the conference. Dance to the grooves of our resident DJ Walt White and play water games during this pre-conference networking mixer! Sunscreen not included.

Sponsors:

OPENING WELCOME RECEPTION
ROCKS LOUNGE/POOLSIDE RENAISSANCE
5:30PM-6:30PM
Join us for our early evening opening reception poolside. Connect with colleagues and make new friends while the sun sets against the San Jacinto mountains. A perfect way to start the conference!

Drink ticket sponsor:

OPENING RECEPTION & HAT CONTEST
BOOST is continuing our annual creative and fun tradition at our Opening Reception so get ready to celebrate in style. Show up at the opening poolside reception on Tuesday evening and show off your style. Don’t forget to bring a hat! Glamorous headpieces, outrageously themed headwear, fancy floral arrangements, sports-themed caps or boost your company/program flair! Be entered into one of 3 different Hat Contest categories: Most Glamorous, Best Theme, and Most Creative. The Opening Reception is truly a day to celebrate in Palm Springs with colleagues from all over the globe.

POP-UP DINNERS
6:15PM-8:30PM
Looking for dinner plans while at the BOOST Conference? Want to meet and network with new, awesome, and like-minded boosters? Join our Pop-up Dinners for just that purpose! If you pre-registered for this event, please meet in the Renaissance lobby at 6:15PM sharp!

ESCAPE ROOM PALM SPRINGS
5:30PM-8:30PM
A fun and exciting team building experience where you and your team will work together to achieve a common goal, and in doing so, bond, strengthen your relationships, and improve communication and teamwork. Each game is 60-minutes in length and includes an orientation and debriefing after each game. Who will escape first? Escape Room Palm Springs is located at 2500 North Palm Canyon Drive, Suite B3, Palm Springs, CA 92262. Boosters are responsible for their own transportation. Special Boost Rates offered Sunday - Thursday, 5:30PM - 8:30PM

HIP HOP BINGO
HILTON HOTEL BAR & LOUNGE
8:00PM-9:00PM
Join us for Hip Hop Bingo at the Hilton! Come join DJ Kooleo and MC B Money from Fulcrum as they kick off boost in style. With everyone’s favorite Hip Hop beats on the 1’s and 2’s, come kick it and try to win some prizes off of the World Famous Table of Fun! This ain’t your grandma’s Bingo so expect some twists and acting up along the way and bring that opening night energy to help us turn BOOST up!
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

REGISTRATION                      PALM SPRINGS CONVENTION CENTER LOBBY
7:00AM-4:00PM

BREAKFAST & NETWORKING WITH EXHIBITORS EXHIBIT HALL, OASIS 1 & 2
7:30AM

EXHIBIT HALL                          EXHIBIT HALL, OASIS 1 & 2
7:30AM-4:00PM

COLLEGE CREDIT ORIENTATION    MESQUITE G/H
7:45AM-8:15AM

OPENING & GENERAL SESSION       OASIS 3 & 4
8:45AM-9:45AM

AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians is a historic Palm Springs-based federally recognized Native American Tribe with more than 500 members. The Tribe is steward to more than 31,500 acres of ancestral land, the cities of Palm Springs, Cathedral City, and Rancho Mirage as well as portions of unincorporated Riverside County span across the boundaries of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation. We acknowledge the Agua Caliente People as the original stewards of the land on which we now gather. We are grateful to have the opportunity to work with the Indigenous people in this place. We pay our respect to the Agua Caliente People past, present, and emerging who have been here since time immemorial. If you are interested in learning more about the Agua Caliente Tribe you can visit www.aguacaliente.org or the Agua Caliente Cultural Plaza in Palm Springs (opening soon).

Principal Wayman
CEO, Principal Wayman Consulting, Founder of CurrentlyTrending, Speaker and Author, Philadelphia, PA

Principal Wayman is a passionate education advocate with an unwavering belief in the potential of all children. She grew up in North Philadelphia, where she experienced firsthand the injustice perpetrated against poor students in their education. She has dedicated her career to ending that injustice and helping students succeed in school and beyond.

BOOST BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS & MEET THE AUTHORS  EXHIBIT HALL, OASIS 1 & 2
9:45AM - 10:15AM

Join your colleagues in the Exhibit Hall and mingle with Exhibitors while learning about the latest resources, curriculum, and services to enhance your program.

Also, visit our Front Porch (Oasis Hallway) and Get on the Bus (East Lawn, street area) sponsors!

MEET THE AUTHORS                BOOST BOOTH, OASIS 1 & 2
Principal Wayman
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Lead Fearlessly, Love Hard
Finding Your Purpose and Putting It to Work

If you have prepurchased a book, you can pick it up at the BOOST Booth 0101 & 0105.
The last two summers and for the first time ever, every low-income neighborhood in Los Angeles offered free in-person Downey, CA of Los Angeles Youth Development Department, Los Angeles, CA; Benjamin Dickow, Director, LA STEM Collective, Panelists: Debe Loxton, M.A., Senior Executive Director, Los Angeles Unified School District, Beyond the Bell, Los Moderator: Dr. Ana Ponce, Executive Director, Great Public Schools Now (GPSN), Los Angeles, CA

Deepening Public & Private Partnerships for a Collective Summer of Joy

Amplify Student Voices Through Expression-Driven Teaching
Ann-Marie Baines, Ph.D., Founder and Executive Director, The Practice Space, Cerritos, CA; Caitlin Healy, Education and Outreach Manager, The Practice Space, San Francisco, CA

This session introduces Expression-Driven Teaching, an inclusive facilitation method that focuses on, “How can I create a welcoming, brave space where every young person can express who they are and discover who they want to become?” You will learn practical and equitable techniques for how to teach and facilitate different forms of expression, such as storytelling, debate, presentation, advocacy, and listening, to create inclusive classrooms that advance equity and social and emotional learning.

The Camp Australia Way - An Adaptable Programming Cycle
Barbara Elvin, Head of Service Delivery; Chelsea Day, Head of National Quality Framework, Camp Australia, Victoria, Australia

Central to a quality learning program is an effective understanding of the regulatory-approved learning framework and the components that support the growth of children. Camp Australia was facing challenges in embedding effective program development and practice. Here, you will be introduced to our response, the CA Way Framework, through interactive activities and games, the program planning cycle, and various linked resources. This system is innovative, portable, and can be used by any service provider.

Care for Us First: Experiences of New Teachers Performing Heart Work and Providing Trauma-Informed Teaching
Dr. Erica Bosque, LCSW, PPSC, Clinical Supervisor and Professor, School of Social Work, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA and Owner, Keystone Therapy and Training Services, Santa Rosa, CA; Dr. Katie Price, Professor, San Francisco State University, Santa Rosa, CA; Dr. Erica Bosque, Los Angeles Unified,

Offering resources to process and reflect on the impact of being or working in schools while trying to implement trauma-informed care practice. This workshop will have hands-on activities that can be used with adults and youth to look at their feelings and experiences in the classroom with teachers and students. The purpose of this workshop is to apply trauma-informed care practices that elevate the priority of teachers first, in order to provide love and care to their students.

Connection Before Correction
Juan Alvarado, CEO, Keynote Speaker, Trainer, and Podcast Host, Raize The Bar, Visalia, CA

Are you feeling frustrated and overwhelmed because your students aren’t responding to your guidance? In this workshop, we will delve into the crucial concept of Connection Before Correction. We’ll explore how to establish a deeper connection with your students, and how small adjustments can make all the difference in reaching them effectively. We’ll also delve into understanding what your students truly need and want from you as their leader. Join me in mastering this foundational principle for building strong relationships with your students (it also works for leaders building relationships with the staff you oversee).

DEI + SEL = Belonging to All
Andres De La Peza, Director of Partner Relations; Cassandra Arechiga, Learning Associate; Danny Salas, Chief Program Officer; Herbert Bolanos, Associate Director of Learning, Woodcraft Rangers, Los Angeles, CA

Join us for an interactive and enlightening workshop that will dive into social-emotional learning and diversity work in a fun and engaging way! Having heard buzzwords like “inclusion”, “equity” and “social-emotional learning” this session will explore how you and your organization can invest in authentic and reflective DEI and SEL work at all levels of service. From field staff behaviors to office culture, this workshop will leave you with practical strategies to implement in your day-to-day!

Deeper Public & Private Partnerships for a Collective Summer of Joy
Moderators: Dr. Nichi Avina, 2022 California Teacher of the Year, Community Resiliency Model Teacher, Cielo Vista Charter School, Palm Springs, CA Panelists: Debe Loxton, M.A., Senior Executive Director, Los Angeles Unified School District, Beyond the Bell, Los Angeles, CA; David Anderson, President and CEO, LA’s BEST, Los Angeles, CA; Lisa Salazar, Executive Director, City of Los Angeles Youth Development Department, Los Angeles, CA; Benjamin Dickow, Director, LA STEM Collective, Downey, CA

The last two summers and for the first time ever, every low-income neighborhood in Los Angeles offered free in-person enrichment programs. Participants will learn about the unprecedented public and private collaboration across Los Angeles Unified, City of LA, philanthropy, and nonprofits. To date, close to 100,000 students have participated and nearly 1,000 field trips have been provided.
**Eco-Ed Activities for a Very Popular Planet**

Erin Snyder, Senior Researcher, Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District, Riverside, CA

Activity themes include land use, renewable and nonrenewable resource use, and an introduction to the concepts of sustainability. A variety of activity formats aim for inclusiveness for students with different learning styles.

**Elementary Math Games Using Dominoes and Dice**

Jane Felling, Consultant & Author, Box Cars and One-Eyed Jacks, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Learning to engage and engage more girls in sports and physical activity while recruiting and retaining more women coaches in youth athletics, with keys for allyship, gender equity-oriented program design, and more. The session focuses on supporting girls and women of color in low-income communities given documented, persistent participation barriers, including research-based insights and best practices, interactive discussions, and follow-up.

**Empowering Site Coordinators, Growing Expanded Learning Leadership**

Troy Selvey, Manager; Lupita Perez, Specialist, California AfterSchool Network, Sacramento, CA; Leslye Lugo, Specialist, California AfterSchool Network, Antioch, CA

Calling all Site Coordinators! In this interactive session, we will explore the latest leadership opportunities available to support you – the leadership lynchpin of Expanded Learning. During this workshop, you will learn from and interact with the Site Coordinator Network Leadership Team, explore your own leadership pathway, and find out how you can become a part of the movement!

**Expanding Student Success: The State of Expanded Learning in California**

Heather Williams, Director of Policy and Outreach, California AfterSchool Network, Sacramento, CA; Michael Funk, Director of Expanded Learning, California Department of Education, Sacramento, CA

The world of Expanded Learning is rapidly evolving in California! We will discuss how to meet the movement to support our children, youth, families, and communities. We will share our expertise and vision. Join us for this exciting and interactive discussion.

**Finding the SPARK Beyond Trauma: Speaking to the Potential, Ability, and Resilience in ALL Kids**

Brooke Wheeldon-Reece, CEO; Ashley Hunt, Director of Program Development, SPARK Mentoring Programs, Brandon, FL

Regardless of their circumstances, there is a SPARK within every human being that cannot be damaged (yes even after 2020). This SPARK is the birthplace of resilience, well-being, commonsense, intelligence, solutions, creativity, and innovation. This presentation will explore how innate resilience is uncovered through a simple understanding of the mind, and the stress resistance needed to overcome trauma is naturally formed.

**High School Workforce Readiness Program: Preparing Students for Post-Secondary Work**

Gloria Alday, Director of Program and Operations – Older Youth, Think Together, Santa Ana, CA

In partnership with Linked Learning, Career Pathway Academies, and Career Technical Education (CTE) programs, Think Together has established a Workforce Readiness and Education Program (WREP), becoming a model for the high school extended learning time field. Participants will learn how Think Together is leveraging the established WREP program to create a staffing pipeline for the out of school time elementary school programs and across the industry via graduating WREP interns.

**Increase Engagement & Decrease Frustration: Physical Activity Made Simple**

Sandy Slade, Founder/Clinician, Skillastics, Corona, CA

This upbeat, invigorating session will teach all participants to motivate students with ease! The HEPA 2.0 aligned teaching tools provided can be implemented immediately with all ages and abilities to improve student behavior, physical activity, and self-esteem! Don’t miss this one-of-a-kind workshop!
LAUGH AND LEARN ON THE LAWN: 6 Guaranteed Interactive Activities to Bring Back to Your Program
Eric Rowles, CEO, Leading to Change, Huntersville, NC
Get ready to move! In this HIGHLY interactive session participants will experience how to take various risk-level activities (often mistakenly referred to as “ice breakers”) and turn them into powerful vehicles for youth participation and engagement. This session will showcase tools that youth providers can put to immediate use.

Strand: Older Youth; Program Design, Development & Quality; BOOST Ambassadors
East Lawn, PSCC

Let’s Talk: Preventing Youth Homelessness with The National Runaway Safeline
Emerson de Cordova, Prevention and Youth Engagement Coordinator, The National Runaway Safeline, Chicago, IL
Discover the services and resources that the National Runaway Safeline (NRS) offers for youth, families, service providers, and others. Learn how to apply lessons learned from NRS’s annual Crisis Services & Prevention Data Report to support youth experiencing homelessness and crisis. See a hands-on demonstration of NRS’s free, evidence-based Let’s Talk Prevention curriculum, a tool geared toward helping young people develop important life skills, resilience, and problem-solving skills.

Strand: Older Youth
Andreas, Renaissance

The Mini-Drone Revolution: Indoor Drones for STEAM Exploration
Jan Zattoukal, Instructional Designer, PCS Edventures, Boise, ID
Explore how mini-drones can be used to stimulate interest in STEM, teach coding, and create art. Learn the basics of drone flight and safety through our interactive video course Droneology, examining how drones are becoming a regular part of our daily lives. Then learn how to code drones using DroneBlocks, a free drag-and-drop programming language, followed by a showcase of how these foundational skills can be implemented to create drone performance art.

Strand: Medium Exhibitor Showcase; Program Design, Development & Quality
Mesquite G/H, PSCC

RETHINKING LEADERSHIP – Empowering Students to LEAD
Lyne Ann S. Fox, MA.Ed., MS.Ed., Global Educational Developer, Innovator, Strategic Planner, and Coach, FranklinCovey Education, Harrisburg, PA; Laurie Brooks, FranklinCovey Client Partner, FranklinCovey Education, Vista, CA
Imagine the possibilities if every student on campus possessed the mindset & skill set to be a leader. Participants will learn how to strategically support learners in developing the capacity to:
• Lead Self: Discover who they are and what they want to become, and make a plan to achieve it.
• Lead Others: Develop the skills to work well and lead others in collaborative endeavors.
Please join us to experience engaging activities and meaningful discussions that deepen student-empowered leadership.

Strand: Older Youth; Program Design, Development & Quality
Pasadena, Renaissance

SEL for Pre-K and Kindergarten
Elle Essennacher, Strategic Accounts Advisor, HarmonySEL @ National University, Windsor, CO; Lisa Rice, Quality & Accreditation Advisor, KinderCare Learning Companies, Tucson, AZ
Bring developmentally appropriate structure and social-emotional learning to your Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten ELOP programs. Using Harmony SEL evidence-based Everyday Practices and Pre-K/K Curriculum, children will learn and practice social-emotional skills through stories, songs, and games. Learn how Champions ELO-P funded TK programs use Harmony SEL as a foundation for creating age-appropriate TK program schedules and routines.

Strand: Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality
Pueblo A/B, Renaissance

SEL is Everywhere: Making It Work in Your Program
Robb Armstrong, Program Director/Master Trainer; Vicki Armstrong, Wingman Trainer, Dylan’s Wings of Change, Canton, CT
SEL is the process through which we understand and manage emotions, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions. These are simply basic human skills. We all use elements of this in our everyday lives. This workshop will use hands-on activities to spur conversations and discuss how to view your programming through SEL lenses and refocus the outcomes of activities you may already be using.

Strand: Staff Leadership; Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality
Santa Rosa, Renaissance

Thinking Strategically About Out-of-School Time
Danny Martínez, Senior Consultant, Sperling Center for Research and Innovation (SCRI), Austin, TX; Jen Martin, Education Consultant, Sperling Center for Research and Innovation (SCRI), Westwood, MA
Summer programs, afterschool programs, sports, music, robotics, clubs...the number of potential options for out-of-school time (OST) programs can be overwhelming, so having a coherent strategy is crucial for success. In this immersive session, participants will look at how to create a holistic approach to strategic design for OST programs and learn the basic components of OST strategic planning.

Strand: Program Design, Development & Quality
Plaza A, Hilton

 Welcoming Schools: Creating Gender Inclusive Secondary Schools
Rebby Kern, Welcoming Schools Expert Trainer; Cheryl Greene, Director, Human Rights Campaign Foundation, Welcoming Schools, Washington, D.C.
HRC’s Welcoming Schools is the most comprehensive bias-based bullying prevention program in the nation to provide LGBTQ+ and gender-inclusive training specifically designed for educators. We use an intersectional, anti-racist lens dedicated to actionable policies and practices. This session will build confidence in creating gender-inclusive spaces and will create an opportunity to practice how to seek teachable moments and respond to questions about gender topics.

Strand: Older Youth; Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality
Sierra, Renaissance
INSPIRATION STATIONS
10:30AM - 11:15AM

**Station A: Claymation for Mindful Self-Expressive and Fun**
Jamie Parganos, Executive Director, Creative Muse, Brooklyn, NY
Create your own short animated video in this fun workshop for anyone involved with direct service for elementary, middle-, or high-school-aged youth. Learn about clay and create a personality with basic movements, all using basic materials from around the house. Claymation gives youth the opportunity to create and self-express using a mixture of tangible and digital materials that helps them stay mindful with tech.

**Station B: Design Thinking Mini Institute**
Sri Narayanan, Co-Founder, Kodely, Bay Area, CA
Kodely bridges the gap between tech literacy education and the real-world & we’re the first design thinking expanded learning provider in California! Design thinking is a methodology for creative problem-solving. The goal of this inspiration station is to share design thinking practices & processes! We welcome anyone interested in learning or incorporating design thinking, as well as those who are already using design thinking & want to further deepen their practice.

**Station C: How to Manage ELO-P Stress-Free**
Helen Wang, CEO and Co-founder, 6crickets Expanded Learning Management Solutions, Bellevue, WA
ELO-P adds 850 hours(!) of support per student per year. With tremendous funding, it comes with great responsibilities … and challenges. At this interactive Inspiration Station, we will share best practices from districts that have successfully launched their ELO-P programs, highlight key strategies and approaches to overcome staffing challenges and present robust solutions and modern tools that can help you manage and deliver a quality and efficient ELO-P, stress-free!

**Station D: Esports Jeopardy!**
Sabrina Spadafino, Director of Academic Services, Mastery Coding, Thousand Oaks, CA
Come play Esports Jeopardy, win prizes, and learn more about academic esports in the after school space.

**Station E: The Great Math Escape**
Mary Curry, Math Enthusiast, MANGO Math Group, Palm Desert, CA
Come find out if you have what it takes to escape the conference hall in this great math escape. See if your team can answer the math problems to get the code to escape. Great fun for all, emphasizing teamwork, critical thinking skills, and MATH!!!!

**Station F: Digital Tools and Resources for Community Engagement**
Janessa Drainville, Demand Generation Specialist, TransACT Communications, LLC, Lynnwood, WA
Using social media to amplify your voice in your community can be a challenge. Luckily there are tools available to help you work smarter, not harder. Let’s explore free or discounted social, tracking, and content tools available for registered nonprofits and school districts. We will showcase simple tools you can take home and apply immediately. As a former nonprofit and OST professional, I decided to step into for-profit communications, and I love resources that help nonprofit and school districts do more with less. This station is also open to new ideas, so bring your best ones, and let’s shine together!

**Station G: Field Excursion Time! Let’s Get K-12th & SPED Students Outdoors Loving STEM and Collecting Samples**
Elizabeth Hunter, Volcanologist, Curriculum Innovator, STEMtaught, Bakersfield, CA
Field Excursion time! Let’s explore the campus and see how you can get your K-12th graders and SPED students outdoors loving STEM and collecting samples! We will work with some simple tools that heighten the discoveries. As a volcanologist, I decided to step into K-12 education and I love innovating resources that help keep students’ curiosity and love for learning alive. Come discover the world that lives in a drop of water or what a flower, some dirt, or a rock looks like close up.
11:30AM - 12:15PM

Station A: Transforming Young Minds Through Hydroponics and STEM Education
Lalu Bere, Brand Vice President, Fork Farms, Green Bay, WI

Hydroponic farming is an engaging way to help students discover the power of fresh food. Research shows that by growing their own food, kids are more likely to be interested in and consume vegetables. Learn how Fork Farms combines biology, technology, engineering, and language arts activities with the Flex Farm hydroponic farm to create a cross-curricular learning tool that will benefit your students’ health into the future.

Station B: Unleashing Your Power to Promote Positive Change
Mariana Lopez Quintanilla, Program Director, Bay Area Community Resources, San Francisco, CA

We all have the power to promote change when we recognize what we value and believe in ourselves. As professionals in the OST field, we impact thousands of students and families every day, but if we are not compassionate and courageous, we might miss the opportunity to be effective role models for our staff and the kids we serve. In this interactive session, you will practice identifying your inner capacity to lead in a transformational way.

Station C: Playing for KEEPS, Fun Activities for Math, and Reading Essentials
Rich Stuart, Product Specialist, Learning Wrap-Ups, Layton, UT

Attendees will play with and KEEP Hands-On and Self-Correcting materials that help their students master the basics of elementary math and reading.

Station D: Building Connections through Heartset® Education (Social-Emotional Learning)
Armando Diaz, VP, Programs & Partnerships, EduCare Foundation, Van Nuys, CA; Yesenia Leon, ACE Site Administrator, EduCare Foundation, Lake Balboa, CA; Tomas Licea, ACE Site Administrator, EduCare Foundation, Los Angeles, CA

Learn practical ways to support your students and build connections through Heartset® Education. Heartset® Education focuses on shaping successful learning environments that thrive upon a foundation infused with caring, connectivity, and proven social-emotional learning practices that teach students self-awareness (mindfulness), emotional self-management, relationship-building, and decision-making skills. Based on EduCare’s 33 years of evidence-based work.

Station E: LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY® Workshop
Ali Martin, Partnership Manager, Professor Egghead Science Academy, Glendale, CA

Explore the creative and thought-provoking world of LEGO™ through this unique and exciting LEGO Serious Play™ session guided by Los Angeles pioneers of fun, Professor Egghead Science Academy. This Inspiration Station is designed to provide adults and students of all ages with the building blocks for stronger communication while enhancing creativity and collaboration skills. This hands-on interactive experience will unlock your imagination and allow the discovery of new perspectives that you can take with you to your next class or meeting.

Come join us in this fun dynamic experience that will leave you with a spark of inspiration!

Station F: #iAmImpact “Maximizing Your Potential”
Nathan Houston, Founder/CEO, #iAmImpact, Sacramento, CA

This inspiration station will be about you leaning into yourself. The main person who tends to hold us back in life is ourselves. I heard it once said, “The chains of habit are oftentimes too small to be felt until they are too strong to be broken.” If you feel like it is time to maximize your potential stop by. YOU ARE IMPACT!

Station G: Engaging Students in On & Offline Spaces
Raynee Russell, Operations Manager, Global Kindness Initiative, Paradise, CA

Come learn Best Practices for supporting youth both for in-person & Virtual Learning Environments. Learn tips and hands-on activities to:
- Create a dynamic curriculum to re-engage disenfranchised youth
- Create strong classroom cultures by building relationships & creating Group Agreements.
- Incorporate Youth Leadership to increase youth engagement & voice.
- Receive tips and advice tailored to your program and needs!
CAMP INSPIRE
10:30AM-11:15AM
PALM SPRINGS CONVENTION CENTER LOBBY

STATION 1
Adaptive with Agency: Play & Learn with DreamBox Math & Reading Plus
Devin Rossiter, Professional Development Specialist, DreamBox Learning, Bellevue, WA
Bring your laptop and drop in to get a first-hand look at the only dual-discipline adaptive solution certified ESSA Strong in both math and literacy. Attendees of this session will experience how students independently interact with engaging lessons and activities and receive true adaptive and personalized support with DreamBox Math and Reading Plus. See for yourself how DreamBox and Reading Plus can bolster your vision for expanded learning.

STATION 2
Get Moving with Speed Stacks! A Physical and Social Learning Activity!
Matt Burk, Director of After School Programming, Speed Stacks, Inc., Larkspur, CO
This session will feature hands-on interactive learning of Sport Stacking. We’ll incorporate movement-based activities and games to get your students mentally and physically fit through our seamless grade-based lesson plan. Proven results to develop your students’ math and reading skills plus eye-hand coordination, self-esteem, and many more benefits! See why more than 50,000 schools have adopted Sport Stacking with Speed Stacks! Each attendee will receive a complimentary set of Speed Stacks!

11:45AM - 12:30PM

STATION 1
Elementary Career Labs Workshop
Marianne Bland, Sr. Educational Consultant, Paxton/Patterson, Alsip, IL
Looking for supplemental activities for elementary grades? Perfect for before/after school, summer school or STEM lessons, students get early career exposure to jobs within 12 career clusters with Elementary Career Labs. Ready to go in convenient totes, with all the supplies and instructional materials needed for project-based learning, these activities can be led by anyone, and units are reusable. Equitable, engaging, and easy to implement; get hands-on/minds-on with Paxton/Patterson!

STATION 2
NBA Math Hoops - Creating the Next Math Hoops Champion
Rebecca Wong, Director of Programs, Learn Fresh, Philadelphia, PA
Get a sneak peek into the NBA Math Hoops program. NBA Math Hoops leverages the game of basketball and the NBA/WNBA to engage students with math and social-emotional learning skills through a board game, curriculum, mobile app, and community program. All resources for the program are completely free of cost for educators.

LUNCH & OSTI AWARDS
12:30PM–1:30PM
PSCC, OASIS 3 & 4

INSPIRATION BOOSTER
OSTI AWARDS
Created in 2007, the global OSTI Awards honors expanded learning, after school, and in and out-of-school time individuals and programs that are providing innovative approaches to support students, families, and communities. Don’t miss an opportunity to hear first-hand from individuals and programs that are creatively and successfully going above and beyond to Inspire Youth, Inspire Learning, and Inspire Change.

MEET OUR 2023 OSTI EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP AWARD WINNERS

Arik Armstead
Athlete, Humanitarian, Entrepreneur
Arik Armstead is the Founder of the non-profit Armstead Academic Project and a professional football player for the San Francisco 49ers. He remains passionately committed to advocating for—and putting his financial and personal power behind—educational equity for all students.

Claudine James @iamthatenglishteacher
National Board Certified Teacher Claudine Sanders James is in her 12th year of teaching 8th grade English in Central Arkansas. James’ National Board certification is in Early Adolescence English Language Arts and was proudly awarded the 2020 James H. Atkinson Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Arkansas History. Other awards she has received are 2018 Penguin Random House Teacher Award for Literacy, and the 2019 Sanford Teacher, Henry Ford Innovation Nation Innovative Teacher, WeTeacher 2020 Honored Teacher awards, and most recently named Grammar Teacher of the Year by ATEG anf GrammarFlip! She also has an ESL endorsement and
uses her language skills to teach grammar lessons to her over 6 million followers on TikTok.

James was the 2019 HSC Community Service awardee and now serves as the district’s community liaison working within the district and community to highlight cultural awareness and to help other educators gain knowledge and skills related to building a platform for culturally responsive teaching.

She says her goal as an educator is to empower her students so they will become civically engaged and seek ways to better the world.

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BOOST BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS & MEET THE AUTHORS

EXHIBIT HALL, OASIS 1 & 2

1:30PM–2:30PM

Join your colleagues in the Exhibit Hall for networking and an opportunity to meet established authors. Mingle with Exhibitors and have the chance to learn about the latest resources, curriculum, and services to enhance your program.

BOOST Break Sponsor: TransACT Communications, Booth 411

MEET & GREET OUR OSTI AWARD WINNERS

EXHIBIT HALL, OASIS 1 & 2

BOOST BOOTH 0101 & 0105

Arik Armstead
Athlete, Humanitarian, Entrepreneur, Armstead Academic Project, San Francisco, CA

Claudine James @iamthatenglishteacher
NBCT Teacher and Community Liaison, #1 Educator on TikTok

MEET THE AUTHORS

EXHIBIT HALL, OASIS 1 & 2

AnnMarie Baines
Founder and Executive Director, The Practice Space, El Cerrito, CA
Annify Student Voices: Equitable Practices to Build Confidence in the Classroom
Spark Mentoring Programs Booth 311

Sheryl Evans Davis
Executive Director, San Francisco Human Rights Commission, San Francisco, CA
Free to Sing
Front Porch 2

AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

2:45PM-4:45PM (2 HOURS)

23 FREE Tools to Raise Your OST Game in 2023!
Eric Rowles, CEO, Leading to Change, Huntersville, NC
Get ready for a LIGHTNING round of proven tools and strategies to raise your youth engagement game. We’ll cover the BEST of technology (like a free gamification app for 2,000 participants), program design (how to use the roller coaster method to life), and media (including FREE mashed-up mixes of today’s music and movies). You’ll leave with your head spinning, a listing of resources, and NEW ideas to take back to your program! Hold on as this presentation will roll at warp speed!

Strand: Staff Leadership; Program Design, Development & Quality; BOOST Ambassadors
San Jacinto, Renaissance

Advancing a Vision for Whole Child Health & Wellness
Jeff Davis, Executive Director; Tiffany Gipson, Director, California AfterSchool Network, Oakland, CA
Heather Williams, Director, California AfterSchool Network, Sacramento, CA
At CAN, we envision equitable, just, and compassionate California communities and networks where each and every child is well-known, well-cared for, and well-prepared to thrive. We believe Expanded Learning and the out-of-school time community are the perfect vehicles to advance this vision. CAN will share how our work has evolved and elevate the policies, practices, and strategies we are leveraging in support of this vision.

Strand: CAN Workshop Strand; CA Focus
Smoketree D/E, PSCC

Building Partnerships with Colleges and Universities: Making the Case and How to Begin
Julia Morris, Summer Learning Manager, Georgia Statewide AfterSchool Network; LaVasia Bullard, Regional Program Manager, Horizons Alliance, Atlanta, GA
Partnerships between youth camps and colleges/universities offer mutual benefits and provide an organic investment in the local community. Join us to learn about making the case for these partnerships and navigating the unique challenges they can present. Learn current examples of successful, sustained summer camp & university partner relationships. Then, with a provided resource, draft your own plan for approaching a local college/university to explore the prospect of forming a new partnership!

Strand: Sustainability; Partnerships & Building Relationships; Statewide Networks
Ventura, Renaissance
Can You Tell Me How to Get, How to Get to COMMUNITY SCHOOLS?
Joshua Blecha, Region Seven Lead, SSEL, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, Fresno, CA; Fred Buggs, Education Program Consultant, California Department of Education, Sacramento, CA; Aklah Byrd, Director, Region 4 Expanded Learning Programs, Alameda County Office of Education, Hayward, CA
Sesame Street is one of the most iconic children’s television shows of all time! Its success was built around the idea of meeting kids’ needs through different relationships and navigating life situations. What if we could recreate that family-centered street on our campuses to shape our COMMUNITY SCHOOLS? Join Elmo, Big Bird, The Cookie Monster, and others as they teach us how to create a Sesame Street in our Communities!

Strand: Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality
Smoketree F, PSCC

The Chariot Challenge: sTEAM Building That Works
Leo VanWarmerdam, Director of Training and Development, Fulcrum Learning Systems, Venice, CA; Branden Adams, Director of Partnerships, Fulcrum Adventures, Inglewood, CA
Racers ready? 3, 2, 1, Let’s go! Yes, we will build actual cars and actually race them. STEAM inspires inquiry & creativity so combine that with the need for community building and we get sTEAMbuilding! This playshop will be engaging while exploring the engineering method in one of Fulcrum’s most requested teambuilding activities. We will also share debriefing techniques to use with your students to maximize and capture the reflection of the experience.

BOOSTers Ready, set, COME!

Strand: Older Youth; Program Design, Development & Quality
East Lawn, PSCC

Coaching for Emerging Leaders: Shifting from “High-Performing Individual Contributor” to “Empowering Team Leader”
Bobby Canosa-Carr, Leadership Coach, Enlighten Leadership Coaching, San Pedro, CA
When they are promoted to increasing levels of responsibility, emerging leaders often struggle with the transition from “high-performing individual contributor” to “empowering team leader.” In this workshop, you’ll learn how transformational leadership coaching accelerates this transition by sparking self-awareness, challenging habits of thought, and shifting patterns of behavior. You’ll also take away specific strategies for building coaching systems in your organization.

Strand: Staff Leadership
Sierra, Renaissance

Creative Pro Sports Partnerships for STEAM Outcomes
Moderator: Nick Monzi, CEO, Learn Fresh, Philadelphia, PA
Panelists: Leslie M. Walker, Executive Director, Sixers Youth Foundation, Philadelphia 76ers, Philadelphia, PA; Debbie Williams, Community Engagement Programs Manager, Oklahoma City Thunder, Oklahoma City, OK; Corey Wilson, VP of Community Engagement & Executive Director, Pacers Foundation, Indiana Pacers, Indianapolis, IN
Join the Learn Fresh team and their professional sports partners to learn about the organization’s vision for STEAM learning at scale through creative partnerships with professional sports leagues such as the NBA and MLB Players Associations. We will discuss the process for expanding our programs to engage K-12 students while inspiring you to create your own vision to integrate STEAM disciplines in your classroom or program.

Strand: Panel; Program Design, Development & Quality; Partnerships & Building Relationships
Smoketree A-C, PSCC

ELOP: The Who, the What, and the How: Propelling Students to Unlock Their Passions
Jennifer Cisneros, Director of Expanded Learning; Sonia Llamas, Ed.D., LCSW, Assistant Superintendent of School Performance & Culture, Santa Ana Unified School District, Santa Ana, CA
P3- Play, Passion, and Purpose. Learn about innovative practices that bridge expanded learning programs and other departments within an LEA to meet the needs of students, families, and communities. This session will provide strategies on how to unlock the passions of your students while leveraging and integrating all available internal and external resources. Join us for an interactive presentation as we share our student’s journey from Play to Passion to finding their Purpose.

Strand: Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality
Catalina, Renaissance

Encouraging Collaboration and Teamwork
Phil Brown, Lead Trainer, High 5 Adventure Learning Center, Brattleboro, VT
Building and cultivating a sense of community in your program is critical in order to reinforce students’ feelings of comfort, confidence, and readiness to learn and grow. We’ll lead you through a sequenced lesson plan of SEL-based games and activities that allow students to practice communication and listening, cooperation, collaboration, and negotiating. Come ready to move, play and learn!

Strand: Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality
Santa Rosa, Renaissance
Engage Every Student- Fulfilling the Promise of Universal Afterschool and Summer Learning for All Children

Engage Every Student is a bold new call to action to provide high-quality out-of-school time learning opportunities for every child who wants to participate. All students should have the supports they need to realize their full potential. Afterschool and summer learning programs are a critical part of that support.

Through the American Rescue Plan, school districts, cities, and states have funding and an unprecedented opportunity to partner with high-quality expanded learning programs to support students' well-being and academic growth.

The U.S. Department of Education has partnered with the Afterschool Alliance, AASA, the School Superintendents Association, the National League of Cities, the National Summer Learning Association, and the National Comprehensive Center to provide schools and communities the connections and assistance they may need to expand access to afterschool and summer learning programs. Learn how you can get involved from the organizations leading the effort.

Strand: BOOST Nation: Town Hall; Program Design, Development & Quality
Madera, Renaissance

Establishing Positive Connections with Your Students
Claudine James, NBCT Teacher and Community Liaison, #1 Educator on TikTok
Everyone faces challenges in their lives, but middle school educator, Ms. James, has never allowed challenges to bring her down. Despite all of her hard work, there was always someone who thought it was not enough. Instead of letting this tear her down, she used this to teach her students “When they go low, we go high”, which is just one of the many powerful quotes she utilizes. Before becoming the #1 educator on TikTok, she was an award-winning educator. Claudine has always gone above and beyond, writing grants, applying for classroom tools, and traveling to summer teacher institutes to help enrich student learning experiences and grow within herself to be the best educator she possibly could be. Join this Master Class as Ms. James shares how she’s overcome obstacles, created a powerful platform to engage her students in the learning process, and make life-changing connections with her students.

Follow Claudine on TikTok @iamthatenglishteacher

Strand: Master Class; Partnerships & Building Relationships; BOOST Ambassadors
Pre-registration is required
Pueblo A/B, Renaissance

Evaluation in Out-of-School Time: An Overview from Different Perspectives
Haley Umans, Director of Evaluation, LA’s Best, Los Angeles, CA; Kathy Grote, New Orleans Youth Alliance-Youth Program Quality Network Manager/Coach, New Orleans Youth Alliance, New Orleans, LA

OST programs must be high-quality to actualize youth outcomes. This raises questions. How do I know the program is high-quality? How do I know we are making an impact on youth? This can be answered through evaluation: the process of gathering information to promote learning. In this workshop, the presenters will provide an overview of how to prepare for an evaluation (build staff capacity), collect/analyze data (behavior rating scale, observation, survey), and use data for learning (dashboard).

Strand: Sustainability; Program Design, Development & Quality
Andreas, Renaissance

Get FAST and FURIOUS with Omnikin!
Scott Williams, US Coordinator, Omnikin, Charlottesville, VA

Join this fast-paced, action-packed workshop of FUN that will leave everyone begging for more! With everything from large group cooperative challenges to intense fitness games to hilarious partner tag activities, this session will have it all! Omnikin’s wide range of colorful, dynamic, awe-inspiring products are crowd-pleasers by themselves, and our activities will solidify that your program is the place to be! Come join Team Omnikin today and blow your students away!

Strand: Large Exhibitor Showcase; Program Design, Development & Quality
Primrose A, PSCC

Invention Education: Building STEM Identity and Community through Activities and Partnerships
Darleah Lawrence, Program Development Specialist, Think Together, Santa Ana, CA; Christine Lawlor-King, Curriculum Writer, Connecticut Invention Convention, Hartford, CT; Brenda Payne, Invention Education Administrator, Lemelson-MIT Program, Cambridge, MA

Invention Education is not only for your students but also for your community! The presentation will include examples of best practices and real-world opportunities for inventors of all ages! Educators will experience 2 design challenges firsthand, demonstrating a fun process for budding or advanced after school STEAM programs. Think Together will share out how Invention Education became a catalyst for family engagement and an opportunity for interfacing with non-profits and local businesses.

Strand: Think Together Workshop Strand
Mesquite E/F, PSCC
Play | Connect | Create – Let's Change How Students Learn!

Michelle Arent, Ed.D., Chief Academic Officer, ProSolve, Inver Grove Heights, MN; Arvin Ross, Co-Founder & Chief Evangelist, ProSolve, Alpharetta, GA; Lindsay Litzinger, California Marketing Director, ProSolve, Temecula, CA; Jessica Mancilla, Customer Enablement Manager, ProSolve, Durango, CO

Looking to capture students’ minds and hearts in out-of-school time? Introducing QUEST: A K-8 game experience that combines literacy, problem-solving, social-emotional skill building, and creativity, immersing students in powerful play with a purpose! Bring your energy to this hands-on workshop and discover why QUEST is more than a game. Players will leave with ideas and strategies to bring experiential learning to life in Out of School Time!

Strand: ProSolve Workshop Strand

Power Your Early Learning Programs with STEAM

Eliana Mancilla, Associate Director of Professional Development and Early Learning; Cynthia Meneses, Trainer Associate; Vivian Jimenez, Learning Manager, Woodcraft Rangers, Los Angeles, CA

Exceptional opportunities of the future lie with children who can think critically and creatively, communicate with others, collaborate, and problem-solve. These skills are fostered and developed through STEAM learning and are necessary to prepare children for 21st-century careers. Join us in this hands-on workshop where we will discuss how to integrate developmentally appropriate STEAM practices and fun inquiry-provoking environments for students.

Strand: Woodcraft Rangers Workshop Strand

Preparing Youth Workers to Thrive: Capacity-Building for Organizations and Systems in Chicago

Steven Rosado, Partner-Strategy and Engagement; Joshua Prudovsky, Director of Program Development & Impact, The Praxis Institute, Chicago, IL

In this session, participants will hear about lessons learned by The Praxis Institute from our work leading and facilitating systems-level capacity-building in Chicago for youth workers over the past 3 years. We will share how this work is informed by youth participants and program staff data from organizations across the city. We will discuss why this approach has worked in supporting high-quality professional learning, coaching, and program implementation in OST agencies across Chicago.

Strand: Small Exhibitor Showcase; Staff Leadership; Program Design, Development & Quality

Professional Development is Today’s Currency of Recruiting and Retention

Lupine Reppert, Executive Director, California School-Age Consortium, Pittsburg, CA; Steve Stookey, Co-Founder & Chief Client Officer, CypherWorx, Kirkland, WA

Effective expanded learning programs correlate to well-trained, high-quality staff. Yet, with the many challenges of 2023, a comprehensive training and PD program may feel out of reach. Hear from professionals who are successfully leveraging CypherWorx’s Learning Management System and CaSAC’s suite of online training to increase quality, and attract and retain the best staff for their programs. Walk away with a turn-key training strategy and a free, 30-day trial of the online platform!

Strand: Partnerships & Building Relationships

Reimagining Partnership Work Post COVID

Tim Pehlke, Director of Foundation Grants, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, Tampa, FL

The combined effect of lockdowns, staff turnover, and collective grief have greatly disrupted partnership activity. In this workshop, attendees will learn tips for re-engaging partners through the collective experience of BBBS agencies. The workshop will include opportunities for attendees to apply lessons learned to their own work through an interactive activity.

Strand: Partnerships & Building Relationships

Storytelling for a Cause: Building the Brand, Promoting the Mission, and Raising Funds

Clarence Hogan, Center Director, Chicago Youth Centers, Chicago, IL

Have you ever wondered why some people tell such great stories? Or what makes their stories so memorable? Participants involved in this workshop will learn how to use the Art of Storytelling to build their brand, promote their mission and raise funds for their organization. Workshop participants will learn how to capture, cultivate and communicate stories effectively while using the “Top 10 Storytelling Techniques” from a fledgling storyteller.

Strand: Partnerships & Building Relationships

Teaching Science with Trash

Shawn Kirby, Science Teacher, Palm Springs Unified School District Family Engagement Center, Palm Springs, CA

This workshop will show you how to do fun, hands-on science experiments with your clientele that are low cost. Indeed, many of these demonstrations are done with trash. Included are chemistry demonstrations that use old coffee cups, and physics demonstrations that use old soda bottles and ketchup packets. Also included is information about how to relate this to the Next Generation Science Standards.

Strand: Program Design, Development & Quality

Today’s Tools for Tomorrow’s Leaders: Entrepreneurship for 21st Century Learners

Kelsey Neff, Director of Curriculum, Startup Smartup, San Francisco, CA

Entrepreneurship equips 21st-century learners with the skills needed to thrive in a global economy and build Social Emotional competencies. In this workshop, participants learn the basics of entrepreneurship and engage in active observation to solve problems. Participants leave with the right tools AND the right mindset to foster the next generation of leaders.

Strand: Medium Exhibitor Showcase; Older Youth
Turning the Tide: How Sensational-Awareness Can Heal a Nation in Trauma
Nichie Avina, 2022 California Teacher of the Year, Community Resiliency Model Teacher; Yesenia Aguilar, Somatic Experienced Training School Counselor; Denise Hooks, MS, CPC, Licensed Professional Counselor; Juanita Perezchica, Principal, Cielo Vista Charter School, Palm Springs, CA
Educators can turn the tide on the mental health crisis afflicting our nation’s youth. Through simple classroom exercises that focus on sensational awareness, trauma, and resiliency-responsive educators can teach themselves and their students how to hack into and regulate their own nervous system. The experiential exercises in this workshop will not only prevent educator burnout but will also save lives.

Voice, Choice, and All That Noise: How to Bring Your Students to the Forefront of Learning
Liviera Lim, Volunteer Engagement and Training Specialist; Andrea Ohlsen-Esparza, Program Director; Middle & High School Stories, Young Storytellers, Los Angeles, CA
We want our students to feel seen and heard. But how do we do that in a room full of young people when we have so much stuff to do? Helping students learn how to use their voice doesn’t mean we “the adults” are the only ones listening. We also need to cultivate a community where students and adults alike speak and listen to each other. Engage in games and strategies that will integrate student choice into your programming and EMPOWER students to express their thoughts, feelings, & opinions.

INSPIRATION STATIONS
10:30AM - 11:15AM
Station A: Iterative Processes - Scaffolding for Reluctant Artists in Middle and High School Classrooms
Hiep Nguyen, Art Director, Circle Painting and Draw All You Can, Riverside, CA
Beginning students artists often struggle with confidence and negative self-talk relating to their skill level or ideation abilities, especially in choice-based, middle and high school classrooms. Discover how adding artmaking algorithms (“recipes”) can inspire reluctant students to explore artmaking through the lens of problem-solving and iterative processing.

Station B: Building Character through Movement and Mindfulness
Jess Wadleigh, Physical Activity Specialist, Skilastics, Corona, CA
When we combine physical activity, character trait building and mindfulness, it has a powerful impact on children! This combination helps them to grow as healthy individuals with positive character traits. Our Inspiration Station will focus on integrating these three components into your program, that can be used both virtually and on-site. Get ready to move, and calm your body, all while having some fun!

Station C: Play On Words
Jane Felling, Consultant/Author, Box Cars and One-Eyed Jacks, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Come prepared to play our favorite literacy games that integrate literacy dice, letter tiles, and word decks. Great ideas for building vocabulary for all elementary students. The handout will contain gameboards that you can use first thing back at school.

Station D: Tabletop Games: Play Games, Have Fun, While Learning!
Herbert Balos, Associate Director of Learning and Development, Woodcraft Rangers, Los Angeles, CA
Role-playing games, board games, and cards games are great ways for youth to socialize, form positive relationships, and practice their critical thinking skills. Join this inspiration station to get hands-on with some games and learn how these will benefit the youth that you work within your programs!

Station E: The Power of TEACH TO LEARN
Lynne Ann S. Fox, MA.Ed., MS.Ed., Global Educational Developer, Innovator, Strategic Planner, and Coach, FranklinCovey Education, New Hope, PA
Have you thought deeply about how the role of extended learning, both in summer and after school, should be different than the regular school day? Or how we can bring older and younger students together in experiences that foster synergistic growth and development? Come and discuss the powerful concept of TEACH to LEARN as students LEAD!

Station F: The Literary Portal
André Lewis, Owner, Literary Engineers, Benicia, CA
Providing internet access to customized literature, workbooks, resources, inspirational videos, and much more!

Station G: Rockin’ Robots
Jan Zatloukal, Instructional Designer, PCS Edventures!, Boise, ID
Calling all programmers and music makers! Take the helm of Sphero indi robots on a guided tour through this STEAmtastic fusion of music and robotics. If crafting musical instruments and solving a melodic coding challenge sounds fun, then Rockin Robots is the station for you!
STATION 1
HarmonySEL Third Edition: In-School and Out-of-School, Relationships Matter
Elle Essenmacher, Account Executive, HarmonySEL @ National University, Windsor, CO
Learn to implement social and emotional learning in your program with HarmonySEL Third Edition! It is FREE and EASY! Based on the latest research in SEL, our unit structure centers on building positive relationships, creating inclusive environments, and developing a sense of agency for students. With Harmony OST units, you will be able to complete weekly lessons in just 15-20 minutes! Learn how to build adult SEL capacity with point-of-use access to Inspire Teaching & Learning modules.

STATION 2
Collaboration and Working with Contractors
Olaf Henderson, CEO, Diversified Youth Services West Coast, Los Angeles, CA
This workshop will explore the ins and outs of collaborating with contractors that would like to provide enrichment services to your program. It will deal with contract negotiations and expectations from the host, and provider’s point of view. The workshop would be geared around what to look for when negotiating with a martial artist, cheerleader, or dance instructor. Program examples can be applied to any contractor.

BOOST LIVE NETWORKING RECEPTION
ROCKS LOUNGE & TERRACE, RENAISSANCE
4:45PM – 6:00PM
Whether you’re relaxing after a long day or ready for a night out, take the time to connect with your team and meet new colleagues at our poolside BOOST Live Networking Reception. Light snacks and a cash bar are available.
During the reception, groove to DJ Walt White and make new friends!

DUCK DUCK BOOST RELAY RACE
RENAISSANCE HOTEL POOL
6:00PM
Oh yes, it’s a new twist on the classic Duck Race! Get your ducks in a row and cheer on our duck racers in the Duck Duck BOOST Relay Race in the pool! Who will be the lucky duck?!

Duck Duck BOOST is a fundraiser for the BOOST Conference Scholarship Fund. This fund was developed in order to provide financial assistance for a lucky duck to attend next year’s conference! Duck Duck BOOST is a 50/50 fundraiser. 50% of the collected funds go towards the scholarship fund and 50% goes to the winning ticket holder. $5 BUCKS PER DUCK! The race starts at 6PM in the pool!

A very special THANK YOU to our sponsored Duck Racing teams!

BOOST HOMECOMING PARTY
ROCKS LOUNGE & TERRACE, RENAISSANCE
7:00PM-11:59PM
Join our annual Homecoming celebration to welcome former BOOST attendees and newcomers alike! We will be celebrating our 15-year anniversary this year with a Quinceanera! Come dressed to celebrate!

7:00PM
Bring your VIP ticket and redeem it for a free beer (while supplies last)

7:00PM-10:00PM
Homecoming Quince Dance Party, Mario Kart pop-up competition, and Loteria

9:30PM
Headphone distribution for Silent Disco (you must provide your Drivers License or Credit Card as collateral to receive headphones)

10:00PM
Silent Disco - The After Party

Still feel like dancing? Wireless headphones will be available on loan so you can keep your groove going a little bit longer! The music will be silent to everyone except those with headphones. Dance on!

Take photos at the photo booth or anywhere at Homecoming and post your selfies to win our social media contest!! Don’t forget to use #boostconference and #BOOSTSweet15 to win!

Homecoming Sponsors:
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### TOUR de BOOST WALK/SCAVENGER HUNT

Join fellow BOOSTers on a fun and adventurous Tour de BOOST walk and a scavenger hunt for charity around Palm Springs. This 2-mile hunt through scenic Palm Springs will lead you around the Palm Springs area as you and your teammates search for famous statues, art installations, the Palm Springs Walk of Stars, and notorious landmarks of the rich and famous! Enjoy a beautiful Palm Springs morning, get some exercise, and best of all, connect with other BOOSTers as you raise money for a local charity. All Tour de BOOST participants will meet in front of the Palm Springs Convention Center on the East Lawn at 6:45AM. Teams will receive their clues and start the scavenger hunt promptly at 7:00AM. Late arrivals will not be accommodated. Please wear comfortable clothing, and closed-toe shoes, and bring your Smartphone. Complimentary bottled water and snacks will be provided. Proceeds to Benefit: **Voices for Children**

### MORNING RECESS

Join Laura Fenn (The Walking Classroom) and Daniel Hatcher (Healthier Generation) for an energizing mindfulness walk to start your day. Participants will have the opportunity to listen to a Walking Classroom podcast and play Nature BINGO while connecting with other conference attendees. All fitness levels are welcome! – we’ll stay on the sidewalk. Bring water, wear comfortable shoes, and don’t forget your camera as we’ll make a few selfie stops! One lucky participant will win a WalkKit ($125 value), and all attendees will receive an electronic version of a Walking Classroom Teacher’s Guide PLUS Healthier Generation swag! Sponsor: The Walking Classroom

### BREAKFAST & NETWORKING WITH EXHIBITORS

Mingle with our exhibitors and enjoy a healthy breakfast in the Exhibit Hall. It’s a great way to start your day!
Keynote Address - Dee Hankins
Inspirational Speaker, Rancho Cucamonga, CA

Dee Hankins (he/him/his) is on a mission to share one powerful message: Resilience is everything! African American, male, fatherless, motherless, and placed in several different foster homes, statistically Dee shouldn’t be where he is today. Instead of letting the system write his story, Dee took his pen back, focused on his resilience, and started writing his own story. A story he now shares with thousands of people every year.

POOLSIDE CABANAS

Our sponsored poolside cabanas host intimate (public and private) events from 8:00am-10:00pm throughout the conference and offer plenty of time for celebrating, thinking, creativity, deep discussions, networking, and connecting to establish new relationships.

THANK YOU TO OUR CABANA SPONSORS

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Renaissance Pool

Pool Bar

BOOST Conference Cabanas
Renaissance Poolside
Family math game nights build strong family and school partnerships, connect family engagement to student learning, and are just plain fun! Participants will receive the tools to plan and host their own night. Participants will receive planning documents, ideas for themes, and advertising. After sharing the tools needed, be prepared to play an hour of our favorite card and dice games that we use at every math games night. Student and family favorites games will be included in your handout.

Kayle Felling, Consultant & Author, Box Cars and One-Eyed Jacks, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

**Building Your Resilience Toolkit**

Marina Fradera, Director of Trauma and Curriculum, Sunrise of Philadelphia, Inc., Philadelphia, PA

Learn to leverage Resilience Mapping, a strengths-based approach to effectively conduct strategic planning during uncertain times in order to better support youth and build trust. We will share this strategy to counterbalance Adverse Childhood Experiences and the broader traumatic impact of COVID-19 by intentionally investing in protective factors, including staff and organizational health. This strategy builds resilience among youth by providing strong protective factors.

Jamie Parganos, Executive Director; Krystal Renée, Chief Marketing Officer/Teaching Artist, Creative Muse, New York, NY; Amma Woods, Chief Program Officer, Creative Muse, New York, NY; Joel Weber Knopf, Director of Creativity, Creative Muse, Brooklyn, NY

**California’s Open Educational Resources Platform- HQIM Available to California’s Educators**

Dr. Edward Gonzalez, Director, California’s Open Educational Resources; Sheri Dees, HQIM Program Specialist, Kern County Superintendent of Schools, Bakersfield, CA

In this hands-on workshop, you will explore the resources on California’s Open Educational Resources platform including lessons, assessments, and other high-quality resources developed by educators state-wide. We’ll start off with a quick overview of the platform, then dive into specific topics including how these resources can be used in California classrooms, and conclude with a hands-on session where participants can test their skills at creating digital content!

Dr. Charli Kemp, Executive Director, Change the Tune, Los Angeles, CA

**Co-Creating a Liberatory Learning Space**

Brad Lademann, Associate Director for Quality Initiatives, Missouri AfterSchool Network, Columbia, MO

In this session, our essential question is, what does liberatory learning look like? This session will support participants in learning how to co-create liberating learning experiences where learners are able to deal critically and creatively with reality and discover how to participate in the transformation of their world. We will use an EquityXDesign framework and blend it with Universal Design for Learning to build a model liberatory learning space experience.

Jamie Parganos, Executive Director; Krystal Renée, Chief Marketing Officer/Teaching Artist, Creative Muse, Manhattan, NY; Joel Weber Knopf, Director of Creativity, Creative Muse, Brooklyn, NY; Amma Woods, Chief Program Officer, Creative Muse, New York, NY

**Creativity and Mindfulness in Education in a Post-Pandemic, Post-Truth Era**

In this fake news era, the pandemic’s disruptions call for more creativity in education. The CREATE process fosters students’ critical thinking and mindful self-expression. You’ll practice motivating your audience with a good hook; use breaks to create breakthroughs; learn how research and resilience help students think more critically and foster a love of learning; create connection through emotional check-ins and closing rituals; and how to use tech mindfully with slow design.

Marina Fradera, Director of Trauma and Curriculum, Sunrise of Philadelphia, Inc., Philadelphia, PA

**Creativity in Leadership**

Brad Lademann, Associate Director for Quality Initiatives, Missouri AfterSchool Network, Columbia, MO

Whether you are the leader of an entire organization or leading an afterschool site, leadership matters. Unfortunately, leadership training in afterschool settings is not always a priority. We are often thrown into leadership positions, with little or no preparation, and then we sink or swim. Join us to learn about five essential practices of leadership and how creativity fits into our leadership roles.

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**Culturally Responsive & Trauma Informed Family Engagement**

Susie Estrada, Family & Community Engagement Specialist, Utah State Board of Education, Salt Lake City, UT

This workshop will look at the barriers program typically find when it comes to hosting family engagement opportunities. Many have reported feelings of frustration and disappointment when planning and execution of events are put together only to find that parents do not show or are resistant to engaging more than necessary with program or school staff. In this workshop, we will look at the historical and experiential barriers families face and how to overcome them for successful family events!

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**ALL HANDS ON DECK: Planning, Organizing, and Implementing a Family Math Games Night**

John Felling, Consultant & Author, Box Cars and One-Eyed Jacks, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

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Define Resilience
Dee Hankins, Inspirational Speaker, Dee Hankins, Inc., Rancho Cucamonga, CA
One of the many dictionary definitions of “Resilience” is the ability to easily adjust to misfortune or change. However, if you’ve ever had a traumatic experience, you know that most times we don’t easily adjust to things. Here is my definition: Resilience: The ability to bounce back! Similar to how we are all different, so are our experiences as well as how we bounce back from those experiences. In this session, we will learn that we are the true definition of resilience. We’ll take a deep dive into how we bounce back from our circumstances and, more importantly, how we Define Resilience!

Drugs-Free Kids! Operation Prevention - A FREE Drug Prevention Curriculum for Students
Catie Drew, Sr. Prevention Program Manager, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Springfield, VA
Operation Prevention is an award-winning, FREE, drug prevention curriculum for elementary, middle, and high school students. It includes downloadable lesson bundles, videos, educator guides, self-paced computer modules, virtual field trips, and more! Join DEA Educator, Catie Drew, as she guides you through all of the elements of the curriculum and how to implement the lessons and activities, as well as present all of the free drug-prevention resources that the DEA provides.

Effective Ways School Administrators are Supporting Expanded Learning Partnerships
Moderator: Dr. David Franklin, Education Author & Professor, The Principal’s Desk, Eagle, ID
Panelists: Jason Crawford, Superintendent of Schools, Jeff West USD 340, Meriden, KS; Eveline Huh, Ed.D., Director of Child Development & Special Programs, ABC Unified School District, Cerritos, CA; Monica Murray, Principal, John Marshall High School, Richmond Public Schools, Richmond, VA; Jessica Vocca, Principal - DDB, Cottonwood-Oak Creek School District #6, Cottonwood, AZ
Strong partnerships between schools and expanded learning programs are the foundation for building stronger, more equitable support systems for children and their families. Learn how these Administrators invest in building collaborative relationships to provide high-quality support for learning outside of the regular school day to meet the needs of their students and families.

Engage Every Student: How Federal Investments for COVID Recovery are Impacting Afterschool and Summer Enrichment Programs
Liana Shivers, Engage Every Student Fellow; Emily Murtaugh, Engage Every Student Fellow, Afterschool Alliance, Washington, D.C.
To support COVID recovery, states and school districts received $122 billion from the federal government through the American Rescue Plan a portion of which can support afterschool and summer enrichment. But are the funds being used to support afterschool and summer programs? Join us for a discussion on how COVID recovery dollars are impacting out-of-school time programs, challenges faced, and lessons learned so far related to obtaining and utilizing these funds!

Games that Create Connection
Phil Brown, Lead Trainer; Lisa Hunt, Manager of Team Development, High 5 Adventure Learning Center, Brattleboro, VT
Social connection can help to lower anxiety and depression, help us regulate our emotions, lead to higher self-esteem and empathy, and actually improve our immune systems. So let’s get connected through play! We’ll lead you through a sequence of activities that will allow us to learn about each other, strengthen existing connections and build empathetic relationships. You’ll leave this workshop ready to start building your own more-connected community.

Heartset® Education: The Radical Power of Love and Kindness in Afterschool Programs
Stu Semigran, President and Co-Founder; Armando Diaz, Vice President of Programs & Partnerships; Yesenia Leon, ACE Initiative Site Coordinator, EduCare Foundation, Van Nuys, CA
Students gain the benefits of SEL as it infuses our own way of being. It has been said that “whatever we teach, ultimately we teach who we are.” Enjoy learning EduCare’s 8 Skills for Heartset® Education for developing a personal “growth heartset” - a complement to a growth mindset. Heartset® has developed compassionate and inspiring programs nationwide. This fun, interactive, and moving session focuses on creating expanded learning from the “inside out” with connection, empathy, and love.

Ice Breakers, Warm-ups & ACTION! Team Games
Andy Tupy, West Senior Territory Sales Manager, Gopher Sport, Owatonna, MN
Gopher Sport will be leading participants through a workshop focused on a few of our newest activities! We won’t just be playing games; we will also be showcasing some great classroom management and skill development pieces you can take home and implement in your class. Get ready to sweat, learn and have some fun!
Increasing Quality - The Right Tools for the Job  
Tiffany Gipson, Director, California AfterSchool Network, Oakland, CA; Troy Selvey, Manager, California AfterSchool Network, Sacramento, CA; Leslye Lugo, Specialist, California AfterSchool Network, Antioch, CA
High-quality programs are the foundation to advancing whole child health and wellness. In this interactive workshop, we will model how to use Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) and Quality Assessment tools to think critically and intentionally about how to design a program to meet the current needs of your community.

Strand: CAN Workshop Strand; CA Focus  Smoketree D/E, PSCC

Leading with Compassion  
Daniel Monterroso, Director of Staff Development; Claribel Yanez, Learning Facilitator; Deanna Galarza, Director of Leadership Development, LA’s BEST, Los Angeles, CA
Now more than ever, we live in a world where staff seek a sense of connection, empathy, and compassion! As leaders, we have not only an opportunity but a responsibility to embody this. In this training, we will explore what compassion means to us and how it can help make us effective leaders. Come and join us as we practice strategies on how to make full use of our ears, eyes, and hearts when listening with compassion and engage in activities to provide thoughtful feedback.

Strand: Staff Leadership  Plaza A, Hilton

Let’s Talk about Trauma-Informed Care for After School Educators  
Dr. Michelle Lustig, Program Director; Mindy Corless, Program Coordinator; Foster Youth Technical Assistance Program, Los Angeles County Office of Education, Oceanside, CA
Trauma is expressed in schools in various ways. Studies show that students in foster care experience trauma at higher rates than others. This training will help educators understand trauma, how it affects students in foster care, and other vulnerable student groups, and how to support them. Participants will learn practical tips and strategies that can be applied in their programs to improve student behavior and create trauma-informed learning environments.

Strand: Staff Leadership; Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality  Pasadena, Renaissance

Meeting the Moment: How Data & Program Departments Collaborate to Create a Student-Centered Program Design  
Gloria Alday, Director of Program & Operations – Older Youth, Think Together, Santa Ana, CA
The pandemic forced us to respond to the changing needs of our communities. Our Data & Evaluation and Program Development departments collaborated to create a new program design that utilized stakeholder feedback from students and staff. We discovered unmet needs while also invigorating program with staff and youth voices. This led to the creation of a logic model, using stakeholder feedback to infuse throughout the process, creating buy-in and program participation.

Strand: Think Together Workshop Strand  Mesquite E/F, PSCC

Open Space, Open Minds - The Unworkshop  
Connect, reflect, and network by stopping by this informal, flexible, and open community space. Use this time to meet with your team or meet new peers, reflect on your learning, and strategize on how you will take action and implement the learning from BOOST. No facilitators, no agenda, just an open space to convene and independently collaborate and create new paths forward in your classroom or program.

Strand: Program Development, Design & Quality  Plaza B, Hilton

Piecing together the EXL Puzzle: Strategies to Blend and Braid ELO-P to Create a Stronger, High-Quality Program  
Julee Brooks, Chief Executive Officer; Javier Gonzalez, Director of Programs; Jasmine Arjan, Director of Programs, Woodcraft Rangers, Los Angeles, CA
The Expanded Learning Opportunities Program is a fantastic opportunity to deliver whole-child programs and stronger school environments. But building a new program of this scale can feel like a game of Jenga. Join the Woodcraft Rangers leadership team that has spent the last year working with a variety of LEAs to put the building blocks together to suit the specific needs of their schools and students.

Strand: Woodcraft Rangers Workshop Strand  Mesquite C, PSCC

Play | Connect | Create – Let’s Change How Students Learn!  
Michelle Arent, Ed.D., Chief Academic Officer, ProSolve, Inver Grove Heights, MN; Arvin Ross, Co-Founder & Chief Evangelist, ProSolve, Alpharetta, GA; Lindsay Uitzinger, California Marketing Director, ProSolve, Temecula, CA; Jessica Marcucci, Customer Enablement Manager, ProSolve, Durango, CO
Looking to capture students’ minds and hearts in out-of-school time? Introducing QUEST: A K-8 game experience that combines literacy, problem-solving, social-emotional skill building, and creativity, immersing students in powerful play with a purpose! Bring your energy to this hands-on workshop and discover why QUEST is more than a game. Players will leave with ideas and strategies to bring experiential learning to life in Out Of School Time!

Strand: ProSolve Workshop Strand  Mesquite B, PSCC

Podcasting: A Revolutionary STEAM Tool for Creative Expression  
Jan Zaalouk, Instructional Designer, PCS Edventures, Boise, ID
Explore how podcasts can be used to stimulate interest in STEAM, teach essential digital media skills, and amplify student voice. Attendees will walk away with resources to create original stories through collaborative learning, curated content from top podancers, and strategies to break down the podcasting process step-by-step for accessibility to all learners, especially English Learners.

Strand: Medium Exhibitor Showcase; Program Design, Development & Quality  Mesquite G/H, PSCC
The Power of Us - The Latest Data on the Youth Fields Workforce & Why It Matters
Jill Young, Senior Researcher; Dr. Deborah Moroney, Vice President, American Institutes for Research (AIR), Arlington, VA; Aleah Rosario, Co-CEO, Partnership for Children & Youth, Oakland, CA.

It's almost here! Come learn about the Power of Us Survey, led by the American Institutes for Research (AIR). You'll get a sneak peek at preliminary findings about who the adults are working with young people across the country outside the classroom, why they do this work, what kinds of support they need to continue, and where they hope to go career-wise. You’ll learn how you can use the findings to inform professional development, career pathways, and policy for the field.

STRAND: Exhibition Hall, Oasis 1 & 2

Promising Practices from DCYF’s Summer Together Initiative
Shenice Dorsey-Smith, Deputy Director of Program, Planning, and Grants; Dr. Maria Su, Executive Director, Department of Children, Youth and Families, San Francisco, CA.

Using the momentum and the spirit of what San Francisco as a city was able to do for children, youth, and their families, the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families in partnership with other City Departments, non-profits, private camps, and the San Francisco Unified School District we were able to provide access to over 200 programs and over 25,000 slots to our priority population during the tail end of the pandemic.

DCYF’s Summer Together Initiative (STI) offered in-person summer experiences for our hardest-to-reach youth that provided opportunities for youth to engage, rebuild, and reestablish positive attitudes towards learning, relationship building, and social/emotional wellness. Learn about what makes STIs successful, what resources are needed to implement an STI in your city, and how to advocate for a children and youth fund in your city.

STRAND: Exhibition Hall, Oasis 1 & 2

Rejuvenation through Sound Meditation and West African Dance: A Whole-System Experience for Mental Wellness
Katrina Marissa (Rissi) Zimmermann, Creative Director, Sokamba, Los Angeles, CA.

As a response to the mental health challenges presented through the pandemic, this workshop offers practices and tactics to support student mental well-being through an immersive experience of rejuvenating sound meditation and energizing West African dance fundamentals. We will facilitate a blending of interactive and healing arts to elevate joy. Active engagement with these community-bonding practices teaches whole-system thinking concepts as a foundation for collective revitalization.

STRAND: Exhibition Hall, Oasis 1 & 2

The S Word
Moderator: Cassandra Arechiga, Learning Associate, Woodcraft Rangers, Los Angeles, CA.

A suicide attempt survivor is on a mission to find fellow survivors and document their stories of unguarded courage, insight, pain, and humor. Along the way, she discovers a national community rising to transform personal struggles into action. THE S WORD chronicles her journey and these survivors in a powerful feature documentary that puts a human face to a topic that has long been stigmatized and buried with the lives it has claimed. Suicide affects people of all ages, races, faiths, ethnicities, gender presentations, sexual orientations, professions, and so much more. THE S WORD skillfully weaves stories of survivors from a cross-section of America including LGBT, African American, and Asian American communities, who candidly share their profoundly emotional stories of trauma, mental health challenges, survival, and advocacy. The film’s narrative flows organically from one story to the next, starting with personal moments and building emotional momentum before widening out to show how their journeys are driving the national movement to take the “S” word from unthinkable to preventable.

STRAND: Film Festival

INFORMATION STATIONS
10:00AM – 10:45AM

Station A: Customer Service - Apologizing for Things That Aren’t My Fault With a Smile
Jennifer Moorehead, Founder/CEO, Science Explorers, Mohnton, PA.

How do you artfully handle demands, yelling, and respect parents and their opinions? Strong customer service can create better relationships and foster a better sense of community within your school or organization. Let’s share our experiences, challenges, and success stories and encourage each other as we navigate difficult customer and parent experiences.

Station B: Tips & Tricks to Inspire the Next Generation of STEAM Creators
Kate Hay, Customer Success & Sales, Piper Learning Inc., San Francisco, CA.

Stop by the Piper Inspiration Station for a hands-on experience and discussion about teaching STEAM and inspiring the next generation of STEAM creators. Using the California Afterschool Networks (CAN) framework for quality STEM learning in Expanded Learning Programs, we will have tips on how to develop a sustainable, multi-year STEAM program for 3rd-8th grade students. Full STEAM ahead with Pip & Piperbot!

Station C: Using Magic to Help Kids Think of OTHERS!
Brian South, Creative Director, Magic Explorers, Payson, UT.

Learn 3 simple magic tricks that you can start using right away to engage kids and have more fun! More importantly, discover how learning magic builds confidence, creativity, and communication skills! Our unique program encourages kids to think of others and see things from others perspectives. Come learn how to make amazing kids appear through Extraordinary Fun!
Station D: The Walking Classroom- How it Works, Why it Works, and Why It Is a Great STEM Resource, Tool
Debra Wades, Director, Business Development, The Walking Classroom, Durham, NC
Walking while listening to Walking Classroom podcasts is a great way for kids to get introduced to a STEM topic. This experience is suitable for kids in grades 3 - 8. We will go over a sample STEM podcast and the supplemental resources provided. A Discussion Guide makes it easy to lead post-walk discussions that not only cover the podcast topic but also address the embedded character values - a useful SEL support. Attendees can go for a walk listening to one of the 60+ STEM podcasts!

Station E: Belief in the Power of Young People- Equity Work
Samuel Blanco, Community Partnership Manager, City Year Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA
As educators, we are committed to tapping into the power of young people and supporting their development, helping build more equitable access to limitless opportunities. Attendees will participate in equity-based activities that will explore the variety of challenges students may be coping with, the effects of those experiences, and how that can inform our approach and work with them. Participants will dialogue about how they have experienced inequity and what can be done to combat it.

Station F: Bricks: The Ultimate STEM Manipulative
Ryan Byard, STEM Program Specialist, PCS Edventures!, Boise, ID
Join us as we break out the brick manipulatives and discuss how they can be used as an engaging hook to teach any subject. We’ll build a tractor from the PCS Edventures STEAMventures collection, and then share our “recipe” for extending from brick builds to math, English language arts, science, social studies, and 21st-century skills. Take a sneak peek inside our Farms curriculum for K-3 and brainstorm curriculum ideas that can be brought back to any learning environment.

Station G: From Rookie to Veteran to the Staff Everyone Will Love
Juan Alvarado, CEO and Founder, Raize the Bar, Visalia, CA
I want to work with you if you are a new[er] staff or lead and this is your 1st year or up to your 3rd year working in ASP/ELO-P. I want to help you become the BEST staff at your site. This session is for individuals who want and need help with having those perfect walking lines, a productive homework room, and an environment where you are confident in your work and abilities.

11:00AM - 11:45AM

Station A: Raising Self-Esteem through Physical Activity
Jess Wadleigh, Physical Activity Specialist, Skillastics, Corona, CA
Let’s Move and Have Fun! Learn some simple activities to play with your kids to help raise self-esteem, all while having fun! Come ready to participate in instant activities as well as activities that explore conflict resolution and academic integration!

Station B: Connect to Nature with Science Action Club
Rachael Van Schoik, Science Action Club Program Manager, California Academy of Sciences, San Francisco, CA
Get inspiration from spiders to design and test your own indestructible web and explore ways to inspire environmental action among middle school youth. From Anchorage, Alaska to Miami, Florida, Science Action Club partners with schools, museums, and community organizations to help students experience joy in nature and learn how science works, so they can protect the places they love.

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Maria Garcia, Program Manager, Rainbow Labs, Los Angeles, CA
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Richard Patterson, Expanded Learning Program Site Coordinator, Modesto City Schools, Modesto, CA
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CAMP INSPIRE
10:00AM-10:45AM

STATION 1
SEL for OST: Lessons in 20 Minutes or Less
Elle Essenmacher, Account Executive, HarmonySEL @ National University, Windsor, CO
Harmony SEL offers flexible and adaptable Everyday Practices and Lessons & Activities for out-of-school time settings that focus on SEL competency development through building healthy relationships with peers, adults, and the community. Harmony Out-of-School Time (OST) Lessons & Activities are aligned to each Harmony unit, as well as suggested Quick Connections Cards to use prior to or after each lesson. Available at NO COST under curriculum at https://online3.harmonysel.org

STATION 2
Sports Stacking - An Activity, a Sport, and So Much More!
Matt Burk, Program Director, Speed Stacks, Inc., Larkspur, CO
A fun-filled workshop highlighting the basic Sport Stacking patterns plus games, games, and more games! Not just an activity for the classroom but an opportunity in AFTERSCHOOL! Learn the benefits of Sport Stacking through this high-energy, movement-based session covering the physical and academic benefits of Sport Stacking. Highlighting individual and team building exercises to promote inclusiveness amongst students through the unique activity of Sport Stacking.

11:15AM-12:00PM

STATION 1
MLB Players STEM League - Creating the Next Math Champion
Denzel Smith, Director of Baseball and Emerging Programs, Philadelphia, PA
Launched in partnership with the MLB Players Trust, MLB Players STEM League is a baseball-inspired program for middle-school-age youth. The program brings to life the energy of the sport through a board game and curriculum that cultivate students’ math and social-emotional skills. The program is FREE for youth-development organizations and schools of all types, helping young people build new skills, confidence, and a passion for learning through a fun and engaging program rooted in sport.

STATION 2
Explore Math for an Adventure of a Lifetime
Mary Curry, Math Enthusiast, MANGO Math Group, Palm Desert, CA
What can we do to build up students’ confidence and abilities in math? Make math fun, cooperative, and relevant. Join us on a fun Problem-Solving adventure where you must work together to escape. Learn how to take everyday math problems and turn them into an adventure of escape or intrigue. Students working together helps build confidence, understanding, and perseverance. These attributes not only help to develop mathematicians but all-around good students.

NETWORKING WITH EXHIBITORS
PSCC, OASIS 1 & 2
12:00PM – 1:00PM
Lunch will be served in the exhibit hall. Grab your lunch and take this opportunity to mix and mingle with exhibitors and participate in our Meet the Authors series throughout the exhibit hall.

MEET THE AUTHORS
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Booth 614 HarmonySEL @National University

Sheryl Evans Davis
Executive Director, San Francisco Human Rights Commission, San Francisco, CA
Free to Sing
Front Porch 2
Strand: Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality; BOOST Ambassador Mesquite A, PSCC

Are You Okay? A Mental Health & Well-Being Check-In
Dwayne V. Wiggins, Jr., After-school Program Director, Belmont Charter High School and Life & Motivational Coach, A Human Being, Philadelphia, PA
Mental health involves a balance of the physical, mental, and emotional state of being in which all individuals can live happy, productive lives, and cope with life’s normal stresses and negative experiences. Regardless of current challenges, there is help, and there are solutions. During the “Are You Okay?” workshop, attendees will establish long-lasting and healthy motivation to drive and encourage them to LIVE THEIR BEST LIVES!

Building Equitable After-School Programs that Improve Student Literacy
Anita Williams, Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Coordinator, Hemet Unified School District, Hemet, CA
Join us to learn how to build sustainable and equitable after-school programs aligned with your structured literacy goals. Hear from Hemet USD share how the district leveraged funding and people resources to build a program that engages students in high-quality, evidence-based interventions through ELO-P grant funding. Discover tips on how to enlist curriculum teams and community stakeholders, train non-credentialed staff, and engage in dialogue around sustainability.

Change is Inevitable - Are You Ready?
Jessy Newman, Senior Researcher, American Institutes for Research (AIR), Chicago, IL; Arielle Lentz, Research Associate, American Institutes for Research (AIR), Wilmington, DE
OST programs champion new ideas and initiatives given their inherent creativity and flexibility but they often face implementation challenges, less-than-stellar results, or burned-out staff in the process. Sound familiar? Join us to learn more about the importance of readiness: what it is, why it matters, and how you can measure and build readiness using the new Ready to Implement Toolkit, a free resource for the OST field.

Create an Adventure through Authentic Learning Experiences
Delfin Merlan, Ed.D, Executive Consultant, Authentic Learning Experiences, Chula Vista, CA
An Authentic Learning Experience is a lifetime lesson taught to participants. Imagine a team united at the highest level where our thoughts, actions, and alliances are aligned and calibrated towards our 3-5 year mission, vision, and values. Through mentorship, trainers guide leaders toward their vision. Using open-source learning, the platform becomes global.

Creating Strong Foundations for Professional Learning Communities
Dr. David Franklin, Education Author & Professor, The Principal’s Desk, Eagle, ID
In this session, participants will dive into the three main components of successful professional learning communities: Norms, Instructional Planning, and Accountability. When these three components are set up correctly, professional learning communities can change the culture of a school. However, poorly created and supported PLCs can bring a school down, promote inequity, and lead to the stagnation of creation and collaboration.

Cultivating Safe, Supporting, and Caring Communities – Where Education is a Joyous Pursuit for All!
Danniel Jones, Certified Master Practitioner in Compassionate Systems, Center for Systems Awareness, and County Lead for Region 6 SSEL, Stanislaus County Office of Education, Modesto, CA; Michael Funk, Director of Expanded Learning Division, California Department of Education, Sacramento, CA; Sargina Yonan, Director of Expanded Learning Programs; Alexandria Rubio, Expanded Learning Programs Site Coordinator, Linden Unified School District, Linden, CA
Join us for an interactive session where participants will have the opportunity to engage in the Compassionate Systems Framework tools and methods by the Center for Systems Awareness. We will share how these tools and methods can be used at the state, regional, and district levels to cultivate communities. Participants will get to try out several tools in an effort to grow their own compassionate skillset and begin to consider these tools and methods in their program design.
Empowering Students with Agency, Voice, and Choice
Michelle Ament, Ed.D., Chief Academic Officer, ProSolve, Inver Grove Heights, MN; Arvin Ross, Co-Founder & Chief Evangelist, ProSolve, Alpharetta, GA; Lindsay Lifzinger, California Marketing Director, ProSolve, Temecula, CA; Chelsea Hester, Senior Trail Guide, ProSolve, Alpharetta, GA
Introducing SLED: A program where learners work collaboratively to solve real problems in their community, all while earning badges and micro-credentials and ranking up as part of a national competition! In this workshop, you’ll team up and work together as we tackle lifting student voice and choice during out-of-school time. Participants will leave with a framework to empower student leadership and ideas for bringing these concepts alive in your program.

Enriched, Enrichment
Hawhana Locklear, Federal Program Administrator, North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Lumberton, NC; Gina White, Federal Program Administrator, North Carolina Department of Public Schools, Raleigh, NC
This session will focus on developing and incorporating enrichment activities that will enhance and elevate your program to benefit students, parents, and staff. Participants will learn to develop STEAM-centered activities that are cost-efficient, family-oriented, and engaging.

From Good to Great
Justin Allen Slagle, Principal Consultant, After School Party, Lakeside, CA
Learn how to move your after-school program from good to great. Join us to discuss transitioning from an adult-centered to a student-centric program that develops personal skills, passions, and values. Change is difficult, even when it is change that we want, and that we need. Together we will look at the process of creating meaningful change through a design thinking ideation and change management process that will lead to a great program your students want to be at.

Go Take a Hike! Outdoor Education and Nature Programs as a Key Component to EXL Programs
Helen Santos, Director of Outdoor Education; Natalie Pinedo, Manager of Outdoor Education and Camp Woodcraft; Jesse Esquivel, Camp Coordinator, Woodcraft Rangers, Los Angeles, CA
As generations continue to become more sedentary and engage less with nature, it is vital for out-of-school time programs to offer high-quality, informed outdoor education activities. This session will provide opportunities to understand outdoor ethics and how to create an outdoor education program in any school.

Having Fun with Language: Easy Ways to Incorporate Language Learning in Your After School Programs
Ana Danielson, Program Coordinator, Mono County Office of Education, Port Hueneme, CA
This workshop will provide fun, hands-on games and activities to incorporate language learning and language skills in after school programs. Attendees will also learn how to create more welcoming spaces for second-language and multi-language learners and their families. This interactive workshop will have you laughing, singing, and creating new experiences that will reenergize your after school environment.

How Do We Know What Youth Are Going Through?
Dr. Gil G. Noam, Founder, Partnerships in Education and Resilience (PEAR), Cambridge, MA
In this workshop participants will learn strategies for identifying youth mental health concerns and consider ways to monitor youth mental health. There will be opportunities for participants to discuss and plan how to improve the assessment of the mental health needs of their students.

How to Achieve 90% + Program Staffing
Holly Perry, Sr. Director of Talent Acquisition; Richard Tran, General Manager, Think Together, Santa Ana, CA
Amid the great resignation and the post-pandemic workplace, Think Together successfully achieved 95% org-wide staffing through strategic cross-departmental partnership. The pandemic significantly impacted education and after school programming creating a gap that needed to be filled. Our team thoughtfully and creatively developed staffing solutions to increase our impact on changing the odds for kids! Come learn the strategies of Program Operations and Staffing Operations used to generate results.

How to Create a Comprehensive Foster Youth Support Program
Jenna Mendez, TK-12 District Foster Youth Counselor/Liaison, Corona-Norco Unified School District, Corona, CA
Foster youth are often the “invisible” underserved population. Participants will learn how to create a comprehensive academic and social/emotional program serving the needs of today’s foster youth. The presentation will include data, academic support, on-campus programs, mentorships, district and community outreach, career readiness, resources, and how to build meaningful relationships for this at-risk population. Financial options and how to continue growing the program will be discussed.

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How We Equity
Tiffany Gibson, Director, California AfterSchool Network, Oakland, CA; Nat Rosales, Coordinator, California AfterSchool Network, Sacramento, CA

Equity is at the heart of all the work we do. But what does that mean? What does it look like in action? CAN applies equity design principles to how CAN works and integrates equity-driven principles into what CAN does. Hear from CAN team members about how we equity and explore strategies and resources that you can incorporate into your own work.

Strand: CAN Workshop Strand; CA Focus
Smoketree D/E, PSCC

It Takes All of Us: Join the Movement to Advance the Expanded Learning Workforce
Aleah Rosano, Co-CEO, Partnership for Children & Youth, Sacramento, CA; Lupine Reppert, Executive Director, California School-Age Consortium, Oakland, CA; Jenny Hicks, Project Director, Partnership for Children & Youth, Oakland, CA

Come, inform, and discuss how CA3 and other system-level stakeholders unify around workforce challenges through policy, practice, and advocacy, as well as provide a roadmap for how the field takes action to address the #1 challenge of making universal expanded learning a reality. Together we will highlight the highest priority needs and current efforts to advance workforce strategies identified through the various workforce workgroups over the last few years and invite the field to help map additional efforts, priorities, and gaps.

Strand: Medium Exhibitor Showcase; Program Design, Development & Quality
Madera, Renaissance

KiwiCo STEAM Kit Demonstration
Emma Zang-Schwartz, Account Manager; Douglas Morataya, Account Manager; KiwiCo, Mountain View, CA

Come join us to see our STEAM Kits in action, ask questions, interact with the kits in a class setting, and claim your free sample! We will be hosting a demo implementing our K-12 STEAM learning kits. Our team will be walking through the crates step-by-step as we all work to build the kits together. We will highlight various aspects of the crates and engagement opportunities from our supplemental materials. Plus, there will be recommendations for expanding on the kits over multiple days.

Strand: Medium Exhibitor Showcase; Program Design, Development & Quality
Mesquite G/H, PSCC

Making Afterschool Learning Count: Introducing Credit-for-Learning Programs
Moderator: Alexis Steines Rao, Vice President of Field Outreach, Afterschool Alliance, Washington, D.C.; Panelists: Dr. Tracye Stritchik, Co-Director, Alabama Expanded Learning Alliance, Tuscaloosa, AL; Elliott Rivera, Executive Director, Youth in Action, Providence, RI

In several states, new legislation is allowing afterschool and summer learning programs to pilot opportunities for youth to earn credit for learning taking place outside the school day. Through partnerships with afterschool programs, schools, community-based organizations, and businesses, youth are engaging in learning opportunities that earn credits on high school transcripts. Learn more about the credit-for-learning concept and how to advocate for these opportunities in this session.

Strand: Medium Exhibitor Showcase; Program Design, Development & Quality
Smoketree A-C, PSCC

Raise Your Voice
Moderator: Blair Freedman, Senior Director, West Region, Sandy Hook Promise, Newton, CT

Raise Your Voice follows the student journalists at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School navigating their school mass shootings as both survivors and journalists. The documentary explores youth free speech history in America (through the story of Mary Beth Tinker of Tinker v. Des Moines) connecting the Parkland students to a broader story about young voices and their power through social movements.

Strand: Film Festival
Mojave Learning Center, Renaissance

Reestablishing Strong Classroom Cultures with Restorative Practices and Youth Leadership
Ryan McCarthy, Executive Director, Global Kindness Initiative, San Francisco, CA

Are you navigating how to reestablish classroom cultures with students returning from a 2-year gap of in-person learning? In this exciting, experiential workshop, come learn how to use Non-Violent Communication, Restorative Practices, SMARTER Agreements, and Youth Leadership to create rich, dynamic, supportive learning environments!

Strand: Staff Leadership; Program Design, Development & Quality
Catalina, Renaissance

The Secret Sauce: Motivating and Retaining Staff
Ken Anthony II, Ed.D., Associate Executive Director, Connecticut Network for Children and Youth, Farmington, CT; Ben Trentelman, Executive Director, Utah Afterschool Network, Salt Lake City, UT

What’s in the recipe matters, it’s the secret sauce. Do you have the ingredients needed to revitalize and re-energize staff? Successfully lead and motivate your staff by learning to tap into their passion, expertise, and personalized and impactful professional development planning. Perhaps a little seasoning. In this session, we will discuss aspects such as positive reinforcement, climate and atmosphere, setting clear expectations, and role modelling that supports staff retention. Soups on.

Strand: Staff Leadership; Program Design, Development & Quality; Statewide Networks
Ventura, Renaissance

SPARK It Up: ALL KIDS – ALL ACTIVE – ALL OF THE TIME!
Julie Frank, Executive Director, SPARK/Gopher Sport, Owatonna, MN

Don’t miss this ACTIVE session to experience SPARK strategies such as modified traditional sports to increase moderate to vigorous physical activity and improve activity session management. Leave with 3 SPARK strategies to take back to your afterschool program, sample lesson plans, plus a free SPARK App trial & chance to win equipment!

Strand: Large Exhibitor Showcase; Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality
Primrose A, PSCC
Supporting Trans and Nonbinary Students
Katie Moehlig, Executive Director; Evan Johnson, Community and Youth Programming Manager, TransFamily Support Services, San Diego, CA
Led by two professionals dedicated to supporting transgender and other gender non-conforming people, this session offers tools and resources to better understand issues around gender diversity and to support, respect, and empower folks of all genders in schools and in life.

Yoga Flow
Jenny White, Owner, The Kai Life, Denver, CO
Bring some Zen into your day! Concentrate on your physical and mental well-being while exploring some basic postures and breathing techniques to help balance your body and mind. This class will focus on a simple yoga flow and yin postures. All levels are welcome. Namaste. *Bring a yoga mat or towel if you have one.

Youth Voices: Student-Centered Approaches that Foster Engagement
Anima Donkor, Ph.D., Director of Programs; Jemier Johnson, Program Coordinator; Heavenly Berkley, Program Manager, Open Doors Academy, Cleveland, OH
Student-centered approaches to learning give youth participants opportunities to determine what they want to learn and how they want to learn it, which is a key practice for engaging and retaining youth in out-of-school time programs. This session will examine how student-centered approaches to learning can foster youth engagement in urban settings. Participants will interact with each other while experiencing replicable student-centered strategies that can be used in their programs.

Station D: NBA Math Hoops & MLB Players STEM League - Creating the Next Math Champion
Rebecca Wong, Director of Programs, Learn Fresh, Philadelphia, PA
Sneak peek into the NBA Math Hoops and MLB Players STEM League Program. NBA Math Hoops leverages the game of basketball and the NBA/WNBA brands to build fundamental math and social-emotional skills through a physical and digital basketball-themed board game, a curriculum, and a community program experience. MLB Players STEM League program is a dynamic experience that features a baseball board game and community events that allow students and educators to explore fundamental STEM and social-emotional skills through the game of baseball. Join us to see how you can bring these free programs to your students and community!

Station E: Build Your Own Do-It-Yourself Candy Dispenser with Elemental Hardware DIY Enrichment
Aidan King, DIY Instructor & Trainer, Elemental Hardware DIY Enrichment, Oxnard, CA
Learn how to build your very own wooden candy dispenser and walk away with fun facts about the origins of the gumball machine, how gravity plays a role in dispensing your candy, and how to use the color wheel to choose and mix paint to decorate your candy dispenser. Elemental Hardware Enrichment develops and delivers DIY Projects and Instruction that introduce students to basic carpentry and electrical skills while incorporating Core Curriculum and SEL principles into lesson plans.
Station F: Finding Your SPARK Through Stress and Overwhelm
Nicole Wilson, Community Programs Manager, The SPARK Initiative, Brandon, FL
Join us for this make-and-take session where you will learn to find your unbreakable SPARK and leave ready to inspire the youth you serve to do the same. In this session, we will be demonstrating activities that teach important emotional management skills, and you will leave with teaching tools such as: snow globes and thought chains to easily implement what you learned to those you work with when you get home.

Station G: Purposeful Music and Movement
Mark Turner, Founder & CEO, Dr. Mark Studio, Nacogdoches, TX
Are you searching for different ways to energize your kids? Have your go-to transitions lost their appeal? Do you want to increase your kids’ exposure to the arts? Then, this little session will give you ways to 1) get your kids thinking and moving mindfully and purposefully, 2) support their music and dance education informally 3) and help their communication skills.

CAMP INSPIRE
1:15PM-2:00PM
STATION 1
Connect, Engage, Inspire: How to Recruit and Retain New Staff to Your Program
Ronald Robinson, Growth Coach, Expanded Learning Academy, Sacramento, CA
This workshop focuses on tips for retaining and recruiting top talent. We will cover best practices for creating a positive company culture, effective communication, and ways to identify and attract potential new hires. We will discuss techniques for employee engagement and motivation, such as offering professional development opportunities. Through interactive activities and group discussions, participants will leave with an understanding of how to create a strong, engaged workforce.

STATION 2
Mentoring in Sports: The Coach-Mentor Blueprint
Lauren Puzen, Chief of Strategy, HarmonySEL @ National University, Nyack, NY
This free resource was developed in collaboration with the U.S. Soccer Foundation and Inspire, Harmony SEL at National University. It is a valuable guide for coach-mentors to learn about players’ cultures, developmental characteristics, systemic barriers, and strengths. This session will show you how to build a strong foundation before and throughout the season; making and sustaining connections, and honoring connections as the season comes to an end.

BOOST BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS
2:30PM-3:30PM
Join your colleagues in the Exhibit Hall for snacks, networking, and lots of awesome raffle prizes! Mingle with exhibitors and learn about the latest resources, curriculum, and services to enhance your program.

Enjoy an hour of exclusive promotions and discounts from selected vendors in our Exhibit Hall. Shop ‘Til You BOOST!

AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS II
3:45PM – 5:15PM (1.5 HOURS)
20 Strategies for Effective CQI Infrastructure Program Planning
Amber Blackwell, Executive Director, Higher Ground Neighborhood Development Corporation, Oakland, CA
Workshop participants will leave this fun and humorous workshop with 20 strategies to build a replicable and cohesive Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) Program infrastructure. Leadership teams can benefit from looking at strategic planning and fund development through the lived experiences of a BIPOC woman-led nonprofit. Learn how we mastered changing after-school regulations, implemented school district partnerships, and executed expanded learning’s next big idea.

Building Culturally Responsive Tobacco Prevention Crafts and Games
Michelle Rodriguez Castillo, School Counselor; Chanel Muñoz, Health Education Consultant, Corona-Norco Unified School District and UCANSTOP, Norco, CA
Students are more receptive to messages that celebrate cultural heritage and promote healthy choices in the face of adversity and trauma. This workshop will help participants understand an effective approach to tailoring public health messages in their programs through fun and engaging activities. We will provide examples of these activities for different sub-groups and you will have the opportunity to create some examples to be used in your program right away.
Community Schools: The Wave of the Future
Dr. Nora Zamora, Executive Director, Social & Emotional Learning Department; Hamed Razawi, Education Administrator, Community Schools Office, California Department of Education, Sacramento, CA; Veronica Valero Duncan, Director, Community Schools, State Transformational Assistance Center for Community Schools, Hayward, CA
Community schools are revolutionizing how we serve the whole child through an integrated focus on academics, health, and social services, youth engagement, partnerships, and community involvement. What makes a community school thrive? Join this interactive forum with the State Transformational Assistance Center to explore how to lift the Expanded and Enriched Learning Time and Opportunities Pillar of Community Schools to create meaningful change.

Creating Safe Spaces: Addressing the Unique Needs of LGBTQ Youth
Mike Lopez, Manager of Community-Based Programs, Youth Services; Trent Lira, Community Safe Spaces Coordinator, Los Angeles LGBT Center, Los Angeles, CA
Participants will learn how to increase support for LGBTQ youth, will be provided with opportunities to brainstorm issues in after-school settings, and create action plans that uplift the needs and perspectives of LGBTQ youth. Effective adult allies can help youth gain a positive sense of self, preventing them from isolation, depression, and substance misuse. This interactive workshop will provide best practices that you can start using TOMORROW by creating safe spaces in youth environments.

Creating Student-Led Learning Environments by Teaching Youth the Mindset of an Entrepreneur
Dr. Sonia Toledo, Founder & CEO, Dignity of Children, New York, NY
In this groundbreaking talk, Dr. Sonia Toledo will share ways to empower children and youth to discover their passions early and live from the heart while developing 21st-century skills and striving to make a difference in their communities. She will provide strategies for establishing student-led learning environments by teaching youth the mindset of an entrepreneur, which will help ensure they are able to compete in the fast-paced modern world of technology.

Employee Engagement in the New World of Work
Rupa Patel, Director of Strategic Projects, Human Capital; Melina Bisbardis, Director of Strategic Projects, Think Together, Santa Ana, CA
The past 2 years have shifted our collective mindset in the way we work, creating a new environment for our workforce. Engaging our teams is a crucial aspect of our success, and understanding the new world we work in is imperative to engage and retain employees. This presentation will highlight what the future of employee engagement looks like and how we can navigate our new normal, identify generational shifts, and share impactful strategies to implement an excellent employee engagement program.

EXPLORE THE SHIFT
Cara Cerecerez, Director of Student Services; Marla Lowry, Expanded Learning Opportunity Program Coordinator, Alta Loma School District, Alta Loma, CA
Join us as we share with you how a small district shifted from a fee-based Child Care program to a robust Expanded Learning Opportunity Program. Learn the process and steps taken to enhance and rebrand your program to meet the needs of ALL students regardless of their income level.

Growing a Thriving Workforce: Into, Through, and Beyond Expanded Learning
Bill Fennelly, Specialist, California AfterSchool Network, Long Beach, CA; Lupita Perez, Specialist, California AfterSchool Network, Sacramento, CA; Malia Villareal, Senior Specialist, California AfterSchool Network, Fresno, CA
A thriving workforce is essential for high-quality programming. CAN continues to develop and implement comprehensive workforce strategies to strengthen and advance a diverse and thriving Expanded Learning workforce. This session will share some of those strategies specific to building and expanding pathways into, through, and beyond Expanded Learning. Learn how to get more involved in growing a thriving workforce!

Rachel Van Schoik, Science Action Club Manager, California Academy of Sciences, San Francisco, CA; Daniel Hatcher, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Alliance for a Healthier Generation, Washington, D.C.
The pandemic created urgency for trauma-informed practice as OST programs mitigate the effects of increased stress on youth and themselves. Research has documented nature’s ability to soothe stress and, at the same time, nature is in dire need of healing. This session will introduce tools OST educators can use to connect students with nature, boost self-confidence, and make an impact on the planet. Attendees will explore whole child health and community science and go outdoors to document nature.
Indigenizing/Decolonizing the Classroom: Land Acknowledgments and Storytelling Strategies for Student Empowerment!
Rita Naranjo, Professor, Miracosta College and Sole Proprietor, Of Many, Oceanside, CA
How do we support, and acknowledge Indigenous resilience, and existence within learning spaces? Land Acknowledgements can bring more justice for Native/Indigenous communities. This action changes the dynamic of any classroom by showcasing real stories from the past and how this connects to our present. Using Storytelling in our classrooms enhances critical awareness and consciousness. Who we are matters and when we share the wisdom from those experiences we learn, heal, and grow as a community.

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Intergenerational Connections: Integrating Refugees Into Expanded Learning
Anastasia Geinrikh, Project Manager, Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center, Sacramento, CA
Afterschool has traditionally been associated with youth and entry-level jobs. What if we imagine expanded learning as a space that brings together two distinctly different generations? In this workshop participants will learn about a case study from Sacramento that highlights the Experience Corps program – an intergenerational community-based volunteer program that connects older adults and students through literacy tutoring and mentoring.

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Leading Through an SEL Lens
Katie Frazier, Social Emotional Learning Trainer Specialist, WINGS for Kids, Charleston, SC
In order to cultivate social-emotional skills in our staff and students, we must start by developing them in our leadership styles. In this session, participants will learn how to lead with SEL, creating an environment where social-emotional skill building can thrive in both staff and students. Participants will engage in group discussions, hands-on activities, and actionable takeaways to begin to lead with an SEL lens.

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Leveling Up: Workforce and Professional Development Strategies for Direct Service Staff
Mia Harding, Chief Impact Officer, The Literacy Lab, Rockville, MD
One of the most consistent challenges to supporting and implementing youth-serving programs is a lack of staffing. Another challenge is hiring community members who have experiences that are relevant and representative of participants and the content knowledge to deliver impactful programming. We will explore how investing time and resources in the development of direct service staff can promote transformative community change, resolve hiring challenges, and increase retention.

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Oh! Propless? I Heard Topless…
Robbi Armstrong, Program Director/Master Trainer; Vicki Armstrong, Wingman Trainer, Dylan’s Wings of Change, Canton, CT
Everyone has had that little bit of extra time during a program when there is a perfect opportunity to add to the group’s success but you forgot! to bring the thing (prop) that you need to run that activity. Or perhaps you left your game bag at home… We will play through a bunch of activities that require no props at all, ie., Propless! These are fantastic back pocket fillers, name games, energizers, minglers, and even some quick fixes based on what you have on your person.

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Open Space, Open Minds - The Unworkshop
Connect, reflect, and network by stopping by this informal, flexible, and open community space. Use this time to meet with your team or meet new peers, reflect on your learning, and strategize on how you will take action and implement the learning from BOOST. No facilitators, no agenda, just an open space to convene and independently collaborate and create new paths forward in your classroom or program.

Strand: Program Development, Design & Quality

Partnerships for Student Success – Utilizing National Service Members to Build Capacity
Moderator: Iyinya Glenn, Project Manager, Afterschool Alliance, Washington, D.C.
Panelists: Rachel Bums, Chief Engagement Officer, America’s Service Commissions, Washington, D.C.; Thomas Azzarella, Director, Alaska Afterschool Network, Anchorage, AK
We’ll discuss how afterschool and summer learning programs can leverage national service members. We’ll share tips on how to apply for national service members – including how you can work with your state service commission or state afterschool network, ideas on member recruitment, and how to support national service members in your program. Additionally, we will have a panel of experts share their experience as service members and the use of service members in AmeriCorps programs.

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Pickleball for Kids!
Hope Tolley, Managing Director of Recreational Programs, USA Pickleball, Phoenix, AZ
Discover how to introduce America’s fastest-growing sport into your programs. This will be an interactive session on how to implement basic skills, fun games, and dynamic play rotations for kids of all ages.

Promoting Student Connectedness and Wellness Using Sandy Hook Promise “Know the Signs” Programs and SAVE Promise Clubs
Blair Freedman, Senior Director, West Region; Abby Arisco, SAVE Club Manager, Sandy Hook Promise, Newton, CT
Sandy Hook Promise is a national nonprofit organization with a mission to end school shootings and create a culture change that prevents violence and other harmful acts that hurt children. Join us to learn about how your school or district can participate in the evidence-informed, “Know the Signs” prevention programs, where students learn how to recognize, intervene, and get help for individuals who may be socially isolated and/or at risk of hurting themselves or others.

Putting the Youth in Youth Voice
Billy Mawhinney, Executive Director; Dawn Marie Johnson, Director of Leadership & Culture, South Dakota Afterschool Network, Sioux Falls, SD
The South Dakota Afterschool Network will discuss how they created the Youth Opportunity Project, where 11 youths from across the state were selected to participate in a cohort training program for 6 months. Participants will hear stories from the youth about their impact, the process of how they were chosen, and how we funded this project.

Science Explorers - STEM-Based Grant-Eligible Programs
Jennifer Moorehead, Founder/CEO; Evan Moorehead, Director of Program Development; Tracy Weachter, COO, Science Explorers, Mohnton, PA
Science Explorers has been an expert in STEM-based learning for over 23 years. Science Explorers has partnered with countless schools, districts, and other organizations to offer programming. We offer a wide variety of formats that are all grant-eligible. Join us to learn about our programming options, how to utilize grant monies for STEM programming, and get the chance to explore our lessons. We were awarded Newsweek Magazine’s “Best in STEM” award, The Women in STEM award, and many others.

SEARCH: Mindful Movement Practices for Community Well-Being
Monimia (Mimi) Macbeth, Dance/Movement Psychotherapist, Programs Specialist, The Praxis Institute, Chicago, IL
The SEARCH Mindful Movement workshop engages youth and youth workers in community well-being practices centered on dance and movement. The presenter will share how they incorporate movement interventions in wellness and SEL programs to encourage self-efficacy, relationship building, and community healing. Participants will engage in experiential techniques for self-reflection and group collaboration. Participants will leave with strategies to incorporate movement activities into program offerings.

Speaking in Tongues
Moderator: Ana Danielson, Program Coordinator, Mono County Office of Education, Port Hueneme, CA
Against the backdrop of “English-only” initiatives in 31 states, one school district is proving that speaking a foreign language can be an asset. SPEAKING IN TONGUES follows students from diverse backgrounds as they become bilingual in language immersion programs. Their stories traverse a narrative of perennial challenges facing America: economic inequality, de facto segregation, and increasing nativist backlash towards immigrants. As bilingualism begins to change the students, their families, and their communities, it emerges as a tool for shifting what it means to be an American and a global citizen in a rapidly changing world. To explore the contentious debates surrounding the “English-only” movement, the film turns to Ling-chi Wang, a nationally known civil rights activist who pioneered efforts to establish multilingual education in the United States, and leads the charge in this school district.

TikTok Take Over
Monica Murray, Principal, Richmond Public Schools/John Marshall High School, Richmond, VA; Jay Baxter, 21st Century Center Co-Applicant, John Marshall High School, Chesterfield, VA
We live in a very different world and it can be even harder to engage students without using electronic devices. Through engagement and application, participants will be introduced to how Video Production (TikTok and other social media) tools can be used to enhance after school programs, develop student public speaking skills, tap into student creativity, and begin to curate innovative ideas to implement quality digital learning and technology into their programs.

The Time Is Now!
Frances Knight Thompson, M.S., Ed., Edjacent Designer; Sebrina Lindsay-Law, Ed.D., CPDC, Integrated Learning Strategist, Edjacent Design Collaborative LLC, Virginia Beach, VA
The Time Is Now! is an interactive and transformative workshop designed to build self-awareness and empowerment. Oftentimes, we discuss the data, barriers, and strategies toward equity and inclusion; however, actions and results may be few and far between. Participants will explore how to make the fundamental right of education robust and accessible to every individual with inclusivity and dignity at the core.
Using Social Media and Other Best Practices to Build Strong Community Roots
Phillip Smith, Brand Manager, TransACT Communications, LLC, Seattle, WA; Janessa Drainville, Demand Generation Specialist, TransACT Communications, LLC, Lynnwood, WA
Out-of-school-time (OST) programs have many tools to engage with community partners and build support. This training workshop will highlight social media and programmatic best practices to grow support for your OST program.

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HAPPY HOUR
5:00PM
Enjoy food and drink specials and enjoy some time to reflect on your day!

MAGIC SHOW & HAPPY HOUR
5:30PM - 6:15PM
You’re invited to the Happy Hour Magic Show at the Hilton Hotel’s Bar and Lounge! In this 45-min highly interactive Magic Show, you can be a part of the magic as you witness things appear, vanish, minds read and so much more! All performed by the 2022/2023 Recipient of the International Rising Star of Magic Award, The Magician School’s own: Mikayla Oz! A magical way to BOOST up your evening!

THINK RED INSPIRE & PAINT
6:00PM - 8:00PM
Presented by Think Red Project
Hosted by Drag Queen Xrystal

Join us for a fun event of painting while raising funds to benefit organizations that serve the San Diego HIV & AIDS community. This fun event will be guided by a professional artist and drag queen (Xrystal), Nathan Mohle from San Diego, CA.

Food & drink specials will be available for BOOST attendees participating in this special event.

VILLAGEFEST STREET FAIR
6:00PM-10:00PM
Locals and tourists happily mingle at the Palm Springs VillageFest, held year round every Thursday evening on Palm Canyon Drive. An open-air street fair with more than 200 booths offering live music, fresh fruit stands, artists, craftsman, unique foods, and street entertainers to charm the crowd is a must-see for conference-goers. Admission is free and within walking distance from most BOOST Conference hotels!

The Palm Springs Art Museum offers free public admission every Thursday evening from 4:00PM-8:00PM during VillageFest! The Art Museum currently has 28 galleries, five art storage vaults, two sculpture gardens, four classroom/resource centers, a 90-seat lecture hall, the 433-seat Annenberg Theater, a Museum Store, and a Café in an architecturally significant building designed by E. Stewart Williams at the base of Mount San Jacinto. An adjacent Administration building contains offices and a 12,000-volume Library.

www.psmuseum.org

KARAOKE PARTY & TALENT SHOW
8:00PM-9:30PM
Calling all BOOST superstars! It’s time to get down and get your groove on at the BOOST Talent Show! You can bring your team, your friends, or come and find your new crew. Sit back and relax, people-watch from the sidewalk patio, or join in the karaoke party and let your talent shine! Don’t forget to wear your BOOST name badge… drink specials will be available exclusively for BOOST attendees.

DIVE-IN MOVIE
8:00PM-10:00PM
Gather poolside in a chaise lounge or on a raft in the pool and watch the film on the big screen! Drink and appetizer specials will be available.

*Rafts and BOOST beach towels will be available for purchase at the BOOST Gear Shop in the Exhibit Hall (Booth 0101 & 0105) during Exhibit Hall hours only
FRIDAY, APRIL 28

BreakFEST  
ROCKS LOUNGE TERRACE & POOLSIDE  
7:30AM

It’s a new twist on breakfast! Meet us poolside for a breakfast festival experience with breakfast foods, a live DJ, and networking! Coffee and breakfast items will be available for purchase. This is the perfect opportunity to say your farewells and connect before heading to morning workshops, closing & raffle.

MORNING RECESS  
EAST POOL TERRACE, RENAISSANCE  
7:30AM - 8:30AM

Get up! Wake up! Rejuvenate! Bring your friends (and meet new friends) at the Morning Recess session. Maximize your morning and set the tone for the last day.

Maximize the Adventure, Maximize the Movement with High 5 Adventure

Many programs are implementing adventure activities as a tool for advancing social-emotional learning goals. At the same time, many teachers need to meet health-related fitness goals with their students and may be challenged to address SEL themes at the same time. This workshop will address the hallmarks of intrinsic motivation, and share techniques and games that get participants physically active while being engaged in cooperative play that relies on mutual support and fun.

REGISTRATION  
PSCC LOBBY  
8:00AM-10:00AM

The On-Site Registration Booth will be open until 10:00AM to check in on any lost & found items.

MORNING WORKSHOPS  
9:15AM-11:15AM (2 HOURS)

#AfterschoolWorks: Crafting a Winning Afterschool Message  
Tiyana Glenn, Project Manager; Sophie Kidd, Project Associate, Afterschool Alliance, Washington, D.C.

Do you ever feel that your words don’t have the impact you think they should have when you talk to others about afterschool? This interactive workshop will discuss what works and what doesn’t when communicating about afterschool, how to tailor your message for key audiences, and how to leverage this information and build support for your program.

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Align for Success: Building Relationships and Meeting Students’ Needs  
Lauren Levensen, School Alignment and Data Specialist; Holly Phillips, Director of Operations; Utah Afterschool Network, Salt Lake City, UT

Looking to collaborate more closely with the schools in your area? In this collaborative session, participants will explore this pivotal piece of the UAN’s School Day Alignment Toolkit: The Align for Success Rubric. This tool was developed to enhance relationships and meet student needs in Utah. Participants will discuss current challenges and successes with school-day alignment practices. Participants may attend this session as program/organizational teams or by themselves—all are encouraged!

Strand: Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality; Statewide Networks  
Ventura, Renaissance

Between the World & Me: Designing for Black Student Success  
Terrence Pruitt, Co-Founder & Chief Healing Educator, Project Restore Initiative, Chicago, IL

This interactive workshop focuses on understanding oppressive systems that dehumanize and commodify Black students and creating spaces that affirm and stand in solidarity with them. This session will offer up examples of tools to support creating spaces that support and affirm Black students and will address ways to support engagement and retention within program spaces.

Strand: Older Youth; Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality  
Santa Rosa, Renaissance
Building Community Partnerships and Outcomes for Students
Nicole Starr, Extended Day Program Manager; Janelle Merry, ELO-P Coordinator, Cajon Valley Union School District, El Cajon, CA

We will discuss how building local partnerships create engaging, enriching programs for students within the local community. Attendees will learn how to identify and evaluate key community partners to support their district as well as learn strategies to communicate and advocate for student outcomes. 

Strand: Program Design, Development & Quality
Mesquite B, PSCC

CANdid Conversations
Jeff Davis, Executive Director; Heather Williams, Director; Troy Selvey, Manager; Lupita Perez, Specialist; Nat Rasales, Coordinator, California AfterSchool Network, Sacramento, CA; Tiffany Gipson, Director, California AfterSchool Network, Oakland, CA; Leslye Lugo, Specialist, California AfterSchool Network, Antioch, CA; Bill Fennessy, Specialist, California AfterSchool Network, Long Beach, CA; Malia Villareal, Senior Specialist, California AfterSchool Network, Fresno, CA

This interactive session will be a culmination of our workshop strand and time at BOOST! Through the lens of ethical storytelling, we will explore topics sourced by workshop participants and conference-goers throughout the week. We will share our own personal stories, CAN-shared stories, and invite you to do the same. Participants will explore power, positionality, and informed consent to share and own their own stories and experiences.

Strand: Program Design, Development & Quality
Mesquite B, PSCC

Critical Creativity: The Rigorous and Liberatory Nature of Creativity in the Classroom
Dr. Katie Price, Educator, Keystone Therapy and Training Services, Santa Rosa, CA; Dr. Erica Bosque, LCSW, PPSC, Clinical Supervisor and Professor, School of Social Work, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA and Owner, Keystone Therapy and Training Services, Santa Rosa, CA

This workshop uses an abolitionist framework to demonstrate the critical role incorporating creativity and the arts into academic settings plays in creating a humanizing, liberatory education for all students, especially for marginalized students. We will cover the importance of honoring students' assets and cultural wealth and the rigorous nature of creativity. Teachers will leave with specific ideas for incorporating creativity and the arts into their high school or college ELA lessons.

Strand: Program Design, Development & Quality
Sierra, Renaissance

Dive Into First Person View (FPV): View Your Surroundings in a Unique Perspective
Sam Choe, Team Manager; Ricky Yoo, President, IRONQUAD, Santa Ana, CA

Discover how First-Person View RC (radio-controlled) vehicles can be a fun and engaging learning assistance tool for school applications. This is also a unique opportunity for students to learn critical thinking skills and youth engagement.

Strand: Small Exhibitor Showcase; Program Design, Development & Quality
Mesquite D, PSCC

Drawing from Disaster: Unfolding the Power of Visual Storytelling
Hiep Nguyen, Founder and Art Director, Circle Painting and Draw All You Can, Riverside, CA

Isolation, insecurity, displacement, discrimination, violence -- to live is to experience trauma. Give your students the tools they need to process their experiences and tell their stories through drawings using the "Drawing from Disaster" response cards. Discover unique ways for your students to step into mindfulness and self-exploration.

Strand: Program Design, Development & Quality
Andreas, Renaissance

ELO-P Community Pop-Up: Innovative & Equitable Practices to Address Common Challenges of ELO-P Implementation
Eduardo Caballero, Executive Director, Edventure More (EDMO), San Francisco, CA; Kendra Watkins, Director of Partnerships, Edventure More (EDMO), Portland, OR; Araceli Espinoza Mead, Program Manager, Partnerships for Children & Youth, Santa Fe Springs, CA

This interactive workshop is designed to equip, inform, and inspire participants to create innovative district and CBO collaborations. The Partnership for Children & Youth will present ELO-P data and best practices from across CA in the Summer of 2022. EDMO, a National Summer Learning Association Excellence award-winner that operates programs with dozens of CA districts, will share equitable design tools and strategize with you how to overcome common challenges of different expanded learning models.

Strand: Program Design, Development & Quality
Madera, Renaissance

Growing Your Leadership to Expand Learning
Sara Adame, Quality Assurance Coach - San Bernardino, Think Together, Santa Ana, CA

This workshop will focus on growing leadership skills. Throughout this past year, our expanded learning programs continue to experience expansion. With expansion comes the need for leaders to step into new roles. This training will provide intentional strategies that will support individuals in honing their leadership skills to prepare for these roles.

Strand: Program Design, Development & Quality
Mesquite E/F, PSCC

Let's MOVE to Recharge! – Strategies to Engage All Kids
Diana Reed, Consultant, Expanded Learning Programs, Anderson, CA

Join us in this highly interactive session and learn how to manage your groups of students by using simple but highly engaging activities that promote physical activity, socio-emotional learning, and even academics! Participants will take away simple strategies and instructions for physical activities they can implement with their students. Come dressed to MOVE!

Strand: Program Design, Development & Quality
East Lawn, PSCC
Open Space, Open Minds - The Unworkshop
Connect, reflect, and network by stopping by this informal, flexible, and open community space. Use this time to meet with your team or meet new peers, reflect on your learning, and strategize on how you will take action and implement the learning from BOOST. No facilitators, no agenda, just an open space to convene and independently collaborate and create new paths forward in your classroom or program.

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Possible Selves
Moderator: Dr. Michelle Lustig, Program Director, Foster Youth Technical Assistance Program, Los Angeles County Office of Education, Oceanside, CA
POSSIBLE SELVES follows Alex and Mia, two teenagers in foster care, as they pursue college dreams while struggling with lives torn between biological and foster families. Alex, a foster teen in Los Angeles, navigates four years of high school as he tries to overcome the odds and get into college—at a time when only 3% of American kids who grow up in foster care receive bachelor’s degrees. Along the way, Alex struggles to balance his love for his biological family with the need to assimilate into his foster family. Meanwhile, we also meet Mia during her senior year of high school. She is a foster youth who has survived severe trauma and abuse and is now with a supportive and loving foster family. While the obstacles to success that the teenagers in POSSIBLE SELVES face are extreme, their resilience paired with the love and support of caring adults may make it possible for them to become the adults they dream of being.

Preparing Students with the Life Skills They Need to be Successful
Moderator: Barry Schwartz, Vice President, Startup Smartup, San Francisco, CA
Panelists: Ashley Hemmy, Director, Corporate Social Responsibility, American Student Assistance, Boston, MA; Dr. Salma Nelson, CEO, URGENT, Inc., Miami, FL; Anthonette Peña, Program Director, B-Unbound, Big Picture Learning, San Diego, CA
Join us in exploring the many ways we can prepare our youth to be successful in their careers and in their communities. Learn about innovative career and motivational programs being used during out-of-school time hours. The panel will explore how to use collaborative relationships, internships, mentors, and coaches to prepare students for the workplace and to use their talents in their community.

SEARCH Open Studio
Jessica J. Juarez, M.Ed., NCC, Co-Founder - Arts and Wellness Director; Fausto López, Youth Development Specialist, The Praxis Institute, Chicago, IL
Join us for the SEARCH Open Studio, an interactive and healing-centered arts experience for youth and youth workers. This session invites participants to engage in experiential learning, theory, and practice through an open studio facilitation style. Get ready to unleash your creativity as we guide you through an immersive art-making process. In addition to creating art, this workshop also emphasizes the importance of building community and engaging in a circle with peers. Through shared experiences and discussions, we will explore ways to foster a safe and supportive environment that encourages reflection, listening, truth, and witnessing. By the end of this session, participants will learn how to effectively tune in to the needs of youth during the creative process and gain insights into creating spaces for individual and collective healing. So, come prepared to make some art, build community, and share your work with others. We can’t wait to see what we can create together!

Supporting the Educational Needs of Students in Foster Care
Jessica Muñoz, Esq., MFS, Executive Director; Brianna Miller, Philanthropy Manager, Voices for Children, Riverside, CA
Students in foster care often face barriers that are distinct from their peers. They are more likely to be suspended or expelled and less likely to graduate high school and pursue higher education. Participants will learn about why the educational system can be difficult to navigate for students in foster care and tips for working with educational rights holders and other partners, including Court-appointed Special Advocates, to ensure these students receive the support they need.

Today’s Tools for Tomorrow’s Leaders: Entrepreneurship for 21st Century Learners
Kelsey Neff, Director of Curriculum, Startup Smartup, San Francisco, CA
Entrepreneurship equips 21st-century learners with the skills needed to thrive in a global economy and build social emotional competencies. In this workshop, participants learn the basics of entrepreneurship and engage in active observation to solve problems. Participants leave with the right tools AND the right mindset to foster the next generation of leaders.
Your Secret Superpower: Your Public Library
Marisa Miller, Consultant, Curriculum/PD/CQI, Afterschool Publishing, Santa Barbara, CA
Do you sometimes feel like you need superpowers in your work to positively develop youth? What you may not know is that your local public library is a secret superpower waiting for you! Your library is a treasure trove of free digital and physical resources. In this interactive and demonstration-based workshop, learn about the amazing range of what is available and explore practical fun ideas of how to use them in your program to help make a positive difference for your staff, children, and families.

Strand: Staff Leadership; Partnerships & Building Relationships; Program Design, Development & Quality
Smoketree F. PSCC

CLOSING & RAFFLE
11:15AM - 12:00PM

Don’t miss our fun and energetic conference closing with thousands of dollars worth of raffle prizes! Get your raffle tickets at the door for a chance to win!

ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR STAY IN SUNNY PALM SPRINGS!
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU NEXT YEAR, APRIL 30 - MAY 3, 2024.
**BOOST BINGO**

You will find a BOOST BINGO card in your conference tote bag. Step into the Exhibit Hall on Wednesday and Thursday and have your BOOST BINGO card ready. Here’s how to play:

Visit an exhibit booth and get a stamp from each vendor listed on your card. Once your entire card is full, bring it to the BOOST Collaborative Booth (0101 & 0105) in the Exhibit Hall and be entered to win a prize at the Closing Raffle on Friday. Please note that all BINGO cards must be turned in by Thursday at 3:00PM to be entered to win. The winner must be present at the closing on Friday to win. Have fun!

**CLOSING RAFFLE**

Don’t miss the closing raffle on Friday from 11:15AM-12:00PM! We are giving away thousands of dollars worth of cool prizes. You will receive a raffle ticket upon entrance to the closing event.

**EXHIBITOR DONATIONS**

- 3Doodler
- 100 Mile Club
- BLICK Art Materials
- BrainStorm STEM Education
- Dr. Mark’s Studio
- Dylan’s Wings of Change
- Eleyo
- The Energy Coalition
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- STEMfinity
- STEM Supplies
- TechTerra Education
- Wings for Kids

**Palm Springs Merchant Donations**

- Best Bookstore
- Coco & Lulu Boutique
- Crazy Shirt
- El Patron
- Flawless Imperfections
- Johnny Was
- LA’s Fashion
- Lolli & Pops
- On the Mark
- Out West Trading Co.
- Palm Springs General Store

**Discounts with your Boost Name Badge**

- Blaze Pizza – 10% off with conference badge
- Find Your Feet – 10% off with conference badge
- Only in Palm Springs – 10% off with conference badge

**Coupons**

- Happy Sushi
- Jus Chillin
- PS Fudge and Chocolate
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**WEDNESDAY** 7:30 AM - 4:00PM
8:00AM - 3:31PM

**THURSDAY**

**BOOST BREAKS**

**WEDNESDAY**
9:45AM - 10:15AM
1:30PM - 2:30PM

**THURSDAY**
12:00PM - 1:00PM
2:30PM - 3:30PM

**MEALS IN EXHIBIT HALL**

**WEDNESDAY**
Breakfast & Snack during Afternoon
BOOST Break

**THURSDAY**
Breakfast, Lunch & Snack during BOOST Break

**POP UP DEALS**

**THURSDAY**
Starting at 2:30PM

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| Nature Watch | Booth 519 |
| Nexplore | Booth 545 |
| Of Many | Innovation Ally, Renaissance Ballroom Hallway |
| Omnikin | Booth 563 |
| Oriental Trading Company | Booth 605 |
| Palos Sports | Booth 225 |
| Parker-Anderson Enrichment | Booth 0104 |
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| USA Pickleball | Booth 459 |
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2023 BOOST EXHIBITORS

IMpact Players
Booth 467
www.impactplayers.com
IMpact Players look for engaging activities and find a way to teach it in a simple way with onscreen highlights, demonstrations with actual players, conference and Zoom training videos, and more. We design most games, use inspiration from other games, incorporate games that we are taught and create new spins on classic games.

3Doodler
Booth 407
www.the3doodler.com
Educators recognize 3Doodler 3D printing pens as versatile tools to enhance learning in STEM, special education environments, and CTE classrooms, as well as makerspaces and afterschool programs. 3Doodler Start and Create+ pens have won over 20 awards, including Academics, Parents, and Family Choice, Wirecutter’s Best 3D Pen, and Mashable’s Best 3D Printers. Hundreds of printable stencils, project outlines, and lesson plans are freely available on the 3Doodler website: 3doodler.com/edu.

4imprint
Booth 549 & 551
www.4imprint.com
4imprint offers over 40,000 promotional products for schools and universities to spread the word about their brand. We are your licensed vendor and will ensure your logos are represented in the proper fashion and that your imprint is perfect on every item. With our 360° Guarantee®, you can expect on-time shipment, the lowest prices in the industry, and 100% satisfaction. Visit 4imprint.com, call 866-324-6694 or email edu@4imprint.com and give us a try today!

6crickets Expanded Learning Management Solutions
Booth 461
www.6crickets.com/elop
Recognizing staffing shortages, 6crickets empowers districts/schools to embrace community partners for quality enrichment and extended-care programs. Enrichment includes STEM, music, art, dance, theater, chess, languages, sports, and more. Recognizing the operations complexity, the 6crickets one-stop cloud platform seamlessly interconnects districts, schools, providers, instructors, and families, simplifying the operations. 6crickets is the “school management system” for out-of-school time.

9 Square in the Air
Front Porch 4
www.9squareintheair.com
9 Square in the Air is the best group game for all ages and skill levels. This fun and competitive game helps students learn strategy, teamwork and builds friendships. Plus, the game is portable, height-adjustable, easy to set up and take down. To enhance your indoor fun, our Neon Deluxe Game Set glows under blacklight for a whole new game experience. Permanent playgrounds available as well.

95 Percent Group LLC
Booth 403 & 405
www.95percentgroup.com

100 Mile Club
Booth 608
www.100mileclub.com/welcome
Since 1993, 100 Mile Club has helped lead the effort to prevent childhood inactivity and obesity at schools across the nation. We are a physical activity and life skills based program for students, with the goal to run or walk 100 miles during a single year, while being recognized and celebrated with award-winning incentives. More than just a running program, important life lessons are learned along a student’s journey. Our vision is healthy, happy, connected kids, families, and communities!

After School Music Academy
Booth 413
www. afterschoolmusica cademy.org
Music and Movement lessons and classes offered on your school’s campus. The After School Music Academy not only offers on-campus private lesson instruction but also activity-filled early childhood classes, fun ensembles, and confidence-building beginning instrumental classes. Some of our most popular classes include Ukulele Group, Piano Group, Hip Hop Dance, Martial Arts/Self Defense, and Yoga+Mindfulness. Recitals and performances are also a big part of what we do!
Afterschool Alliance
Booth 607
www.afterschoolalliance.org
The Afterschool Alliance works to ensure that all children have access to affordable, quality before school, after school, and summer programs. We offer free tools and resources related to advocacy, marketing, public awareness and sustainability. These resources include outreach tools for media and policy makers, the latest research on the need, demand and benefits of afterschool, and opportunities, tips, and ideas to build community support and awareness.

Amizade
Booth 600
www.amizade.org
Since 1994, Amizade has inspired empathy and catalyzed social action in over 26,000 young people all over the world. From Northern Ireland to Bolivia, our travel and virtual Global Education model has empowered young people to disarm processes of radicalization, challenge distorted notions of culture, cultivate respect and dialogue, and live up to their potential as positive neighbors, change agents, and global citizens.

ASSIST
Booth 535
www.AssistPrograms.org
ASSIST Programs is California’s premier during the day and after school direct service company. ASSIST provides staffing support for recess and enrichment services for elementary and middle schools. Through our proprietary lesson plans & curriculum, we focus on physical fitness, sports, nutrition, and student well-being through character education, PBIS, & SEL. We also create gamified products for educators to use for their own PE & fundraising efforts. See how ASSIST can benefit your school!

BellXcel
Booth 612
www.bellxcel.org
The BellXcel family of nonprofits, including Arly and SCRI, exists to reach exponentially more youth with high-quality, enriching experiences. Arly’s time-saving digital tools power programs so staff can spend less time dealing with program logistics and paperwork, and more time focused on elevating the potential of youth. SCRI provides research and consulting services to help educators and staff deepen knowledge, improve outcomes, optimize quality, and strengthen systems to achieve their goals.

BLICK Art Materials
Booth 521
www.dickblick.com
Blick Art Materials is the leader in art supplies in the U.S. since 1911 offering 90,000 products to inspire and support artists, teachers, students, organizations, and “makers” of all abilities. Hundreds of FREE project ideas with instructions and video demos are also available at www.DickBlick.com, 800-447-8192.

BOOST Collaborative
Booth 0101 & 0105
www.boostcollaborative.org
The BOOST Collaborative is a purpose-driven organization committed to creating opportunities for change in educational and social services agencies serving youth in the out-of-school time hours. We support out-of-school time professionals through quality professional development opportunities, program and resource development, building community partnerships, promoting the importance of quality out-of-school time programming, opportunities to share promising practices, and a variety of consulting services. By supporting your organization, together, we make a difference.

Box Cars and One-Eyed Jacks
Booth 313
www.boxcarsandoneeyedjacks.com
Leader in providing math and literacy game resources, manipulatives, and professional development

BrainStorm STEM Education
Booth 455
www.brainstormedu.com
Our innovative line of NGSS Standard Aligned STEM Kits are game changers for After-School programs and camps. Each STEM Kit is packed with everything you need for successful hands-on experiences with your students. Inspire innovation and ignite a passion for STEM through BrainStorm’s fun and educational kits. Real Science. Real Fun!

California AfterSchool Network
Booth 610
www.afterschoolnetwork.org
The California AfterSchool Network (CAN) exists to make a difference in the health and well-being of children, youth, their families, and their communities by strengthening access to high-quality Out-of-School Time (OST)* programs.
California Healthy Kids Resource Center
Booth 217
www.calihealthykids.net
The California Healthy Kids Resource Center is funded through the California Department of Education and provides free assistance and resources to school districts and county offices of education. We contain over 500 comprehensive titles on health related evidence based instructional materials to support effective programs for students.

California School-Age Consortium (CalSAC)
Booth 603
www.calsac.org
The California School-Age Consortium (CalSAC) builds professional networks that provide training, leadership development and advocacy to ensure that all young people have access to high quality out-of-school time programs and to create a more equitable future for California.

Carnegie Learning
Front Porch 8
www.carnegielearning.com
Carnegie Learning is a leading provider of K-12 education technology, curriculum, professional learning and high-impact tutoring services, applying artificial intelligence, formative assessment, and adaptive, timely instruction to address education’s important challenges. By providing the most innovative, efficacious, and engaging quality offerings, Carnegie Learning is changing the way educators and students approach learning, delivering powerful change and results within our classrooms.

City Year
Booth 515
www.cityyear.org
City Year helps students and schools succeed, while preparing the next generation of leaders who can make a positive impact. In partnership with teachers and schools, diverse teams of 100 AmeriCorps members cultivate learning environments where students can build on their strengths, fully engage in their learning, and experience success. We believe that supporting children and young adults contributes to just, equitable and vibrant communities, and that when students rise, we all rise.

CodeREV Kids
Booth 209
www.coderevkids.com/schools
CodeREV offers high-quality STEAM enrichment services and products to schools, school districts, and after school programs. Whether your program is seeking a great new coding class, an inspiring and exciting project-based way to teach math, or a unique robotics experience for its students, CRK delivers. We partner in two ways: we provide products with training, or, we bring our expert instructors to your students to lead and guide them through the project-based learning process ourselves.

Creative Brain Learning & MUSICSTAR
Booth 557
www.cblc.org
CREATIVE BRAIN LEARNING: Complete After-School Programs and turnkey STEM, Visual Arts, Music, Dance, and Sports enrichment. High-interest programs include App Development, Video Game Design, Coding, Roblox, Robotics, Engineering, Drone Science, Music, and much more! Delivery models include on-site, live virtual and hybrid. Equipment, curriculum, individual student resource kits included! Complete afterschool programs at school sites, academic tutoring and support, summer and holiday camps.

Discount School Supply
Booth 531
www.discountschoolsupply.com

Disney Imagination Campus
Booth 501
www.disneycampus.com
Welcome to Disney Imagination Campus. Through our unique curriculum and learning environment, we are committed to fostering creative thinking, fearless exploration and, of course, Disney magic. It is our mission to provide students with the tools they need to express themselves creatively and academically and to prepare them for real-world challenges.
Diversified Youth Services West Coast  
Booth 207  
www.dysteam.com  
DYS West Coast provides staffing for afterschool enrichment programs, such as karate, self-defense, dance and cheer for children.

Dr. Mark’s Studio  
Booth 537  
www.drmarkstudio.com  
Innovators in authentic arts integration and interactive experiences with sound, STEMusic.

DreamBox Learning  
Booth 517  
www.dreambox.com  
DreamBox is more than a learning tool, it’s a math and reading program that intelligently adapts to each child, letting them drive their own learning while giving parents and teachers in-the-moment data and valuable insights to ensure success.

Drug Enforcement Administration - DEA  
Booth 435  
www.GetSmartAboutDrugs.com  
The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) partnered with Discovery Education to develop an anti-opioid curriculum - Operation Prevention - that provides FREE opioid prevention programming for elementary, middle and high school students, as well as a workplace module. All programming can be downloaded from the website at www.OperationPrevention.com free of charge.

Dylan’s Wings of Change  
Booth 604  
www.dylanswingsofchange.org  
We are a nonprofit dedicated to the memory of Dylan Hockley, a victim of the mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary in 2012. We are guided by the “Butterfly Effect”, how small changes can accumulate with massive effect, the flap of a butterfly’s wings might cause a hurricane. Using Experiential Education Principles to foster authentic connections through play, we strive to build a more empathetic world. This is done by providing the space for student and adult voices alike to be truly heard.

Edible Education LLC/Kitchen a la Cart  
Booth 213  
www.edibleedu.com/kitchen-a-la-cart  
The Edible Education Group is on a mission to Get Kids Excited about Real Food through Hands On Cooking. Our Kitchen a la Cart and Kitchen a la Cart Jr is the perfect tool to enhance your culinary programs. The portable teaching kitchen comes complete with Hot and Cold running water, Induction burner, Commercial oven, Small wares, and workspace for 10 students to prep, cook, and eat! Stop by Booth 213 for delicious treats and a demo of your next, inspirational program.  

The Education Team  
Booth 539  
The Education Team provides fully qualified and pre-screened on-demand substitute teachers for grades K through 12. We provide substitutes for short-term absences and long-term absences, and we can help you fill your permanent positions. We work with private schools, charter schools, and public-school districts and after-school programs in California and Texas.

Elemental Hardware DIY Enrichment  
Booth 465  
www.ehdw.com  
Elemental Hardware Enrichment develops and delivers DIY Projects & Instruction that introduce students to basic carpentry and electrical skills. Projects range in complexity based on the tools, time, and hand-eye coordination required for assembly. Instruction is delivered by DIY Instructors either directly to students in programs or to existing staff as Professional Development training. We incorporate Core Curriculum and SEL principles into lesson plans to further support student achievement.

Eleyo  
Booth 421 & 423  
www.eleyo.com  
Eleyo helps child care, enrichment, and after school coordinators grow their programs with easy-to-use software. The end-to-end solution provides a user-friendly registration experience, payment processing, and dynamic reporting.
Empowerment Through Dance
Booth 211
www.empowermentthroughdance.com
The ETD Program is inclusive and designed to empower ordinary girls to live extraordinary lives. With no experience in dance required, we create a fun, supportive—and most importantly—psychologically safe space for our girls to participate and express their feelings openly in a judgment free environment where they feel seen, heard, and worthy. It is a caring environment that provides ongoing mental and emotional support that will help young girls succeed in school, their career, and life.

Energy is Everything by The Energy Coalition
Booth 553
www.energy-is-everything.org
Energy is Everything is an TK-12 grade STEAM education program of The Energy Coalition, a California-based 501[c]3 nonprofit with over 45 years of experience in education and empowering communities to leap into the future of clean energy.

Energy is Everything provides educator’s across California with standards-aligned, hands-on lesson plans and supplies to introduce students to environmental STEAM topics and clean energy careers at no cost!

Engineer Factory
Booth 602
www.eftoolboxes.com

Expanded Learning Academy
Booth 437 & 439
www.expandedlearningacademy.com
The Expanded Learning Academy has been serving schools since 2016 with after school and day time enriching programs. Our team of highly professional staff serve students through engaging, interactive, and fun activities aimed to keep student’s interests. We also provide support for schools with community service, STEAM fairs, daytime enrichment, and multicultural days. We believe that creating opportunities through various exposure to experiences provides our communities with a strong support.

EZReports Afterschool Management Software
Booth 419
www.ezreports.org
EZReports is a comprehensive and affordable afterschool management software for grant-funded programs. EZReports meets the data collection and reporting requirements of the new GPRA measures mandated for Federal 21st CCLC programs. EZReports also supports ASES, ASSETs, ELOP, and other grants with live attendance on mobile devices (parent PIN or badge scan), early release codes, automated student uploads, and surveys. EZReports is used by 9 State DOEs and 5,000+ schools and CBOs nationwide.

Fly Five - The Social and Emotional Learning Curriculum
Booth 615
www.crslearn.org
Center for Responsive Schools has a 40-plus-year history of developing research- and evidence-based SEL programs, products, and services used by educators across the world. Fly Five is a K–8 standards-based SEL curriculum for explicitly teaching developmentally appropriate skills that lead to student success.

Flying Classroom
Booth 443
www.flyingclassroom.com
We are Stem+ learning curriculum based on science, math, engineering with a strong literacy component learning curriculum for K-12 students. These lessons are from 70+ expeditions by Barrington Irving, who was the youngest to pilot around the world solo, and still holds the record as the youngest black person to pilot around the world solo.

Fork Farms
Booth 505
www.forkfarms.com
Fork Farms is a mission-first agriculture tech company. Our hydroponic system, the Flex Farm can grow plants indoors, all year by mimicking nature’s design. STEM curriculum, activities packages, and other teaching tools are included for free through our digital partner community, Farmative. We believe access to fresh food creates transformation and inspires health in young people. We’d love to partner with you to bring the power of fresh food to your students!

FranklinCovey Education
Booth 567
www.leaderinme.org
For nearly three decades, FranklinCovey Education has been a trusted provider of educational leadership development, school systems change management, and career and life readiness solutions. As an evidence-based PK-12 model, Leader in Me enables the creation of a strong learning environment with neuroscience-backed wellness skills and actionable academic and personal support for students in the classroom and staff in the building.
Fulcrum Learning Systems  
Booth 0103  
www.fulcrumadventures.com
Based in Los Angeles, California, Fulcrum Adventures is a recognized leader in the field of experience-based teambuilding, leadership, youth development, & organizational development. Since 1994, Fulcrum has been delivering first-rate team-building and leadership development experiences for over one million people across a broad spectrum of industries, fields, and institutions - always working by our motto: “DO. RISK. GROW.” Come by our booth to win prizes and connect!

Funtology Fundamentals  
Front Porch 3  
www.FuntologyFundamentals.com
Funtology Fundamentals is an interactive Cosmetology, Barbering, Nail and Skincare Program for Youth. This Program was created to teach children the Fundamentals of the Beauty Industry, while allowing them to be creative at the same time. (No Experience Necessary for our Students or Staff).

Gateway Fund Raising Service  
Booth 543  
www.gatewayfundraising.com
Gateway Fund Raising Service, Inc. is a wholesale distributor of quality products to non-profit organizations for fund raising purposes. Our goal is to provide quality products to youth oriented groups and schools, for the purpose of raising the funds necessary to establish and maintain healthy, wholesome, enriching, academic, athletic, and social experiences for the youth of this nation.

Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles  
Booth 609  
www.girlscoutsla.org
Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, serves more than 32,000 girl members in grades K-12 and nearly 16,000 caring adult volunteers throughout the diverse communities of Los Angeles County and parts of San Bernardino and Kern Counties. As the largest girl leadership development organization in Southern California, GSGLA engages girls in grades K–12 through programs in Life Skills, Entrepreneurship, Outdoor, and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math).

Gopher  
Booth 201  
www.gophersport.com
For 75 years, Gopher has been a leading supplier of quality Physical Education, Athletic, and Fitness equipment. ALL of our products are backed by an Unconditional 100% Satisfaction Guarantee. If you aren’t satisfied with your equipment for any reason at any time, we’ll refund your account, replace the product, or provide a refund. No hassles. No exclusions. No kidding!

Gopher is now the proud home of SPARK, the world’s most evidence-based physical education and physical activity programs.

Greenfield Learning  
Booth 525, 527 & 529  
www.greenfieldlearning.com
Greenfield Learning partners with schools and districts to impact learning in literacy, mathematics and SEL through our Greenfield Learning Consulting Services, Professional Learning Series and Educational Tools, including EssayPop, LightSail, Symphony Math, Cloud9 World and GiveThx. Our team of educators and ed tech specialists customizes our work with your school or district to help support educators and to help learners succeed.

Guidebook Conference App Support  
Front Porch 1  
https://guidebook.com/g/weareboost23
The BOOST Guidebook App Support booth is available throughout the conference to assist attendees with the use of the official BOOST Conference app. Download the app to view the entire conference schedule all in one place, including General Sessions, workshop dates/times/locations, BOOST Exhibit Hall hours, meals, special events, maps, and more conference logistics. The app is also a great way to network and connect with other attendees, create a personal schedule during the conference, share photos, and more!

HarmonySEL @ National University  
Booth 614  
www.harmonysel.org
HarmonySEL at National University is a non-profit organization that provides social emotional resources, training, and professional development for schools, districts, or programs at no cost.
High 5 Adventure Learning Center
Booth 611
www.high5adventure.org
High 5 Adventure Learning Center is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to helping individuals, teams, schools, communities and businesses improve the way they live, learn and work together.

Homeroom
Front Porch 5
www.homeroom.com
Homeroom brings the future of children’s enrichment to school communities, all year round. We empower schools to effortlessly manage their programs all in one place. From streamlined enrollment to daily operations to billing, we are your partner in success.

IRONQUAD
Booth 513
www.ironquadedu.com
Let’s make fun and learning synonymous! Using FPV (first person view) quadcopters, teach your students the basics of aeronautics, flight physics, and radio waves, for your upper elementary to middle school students. Need more of a challenge? Get your students into competitive but exciting FPV drone racing. Critical thinking, troubleshooting, and challenging learning on how to fly full rate.

JA Food Service
Booth 507
www.packagedmealkits.com
Family-owned and operated business since 1992. JA Food Service custom package nutritious shelf-stable meals that qualify for the Afterschool & Summer Feeding reimbursable guidelines. We work with direct with Schools, Food Banks, and Non-Profit Organizations nationwide. We strive to provide high-quality, shelf-stable meals to organizations across the country. Our dedicated team has done the work to make feeding today’s youth effortless with our breakfast, snack & lunch grab-and-go options.

The Jewel School
Front Porch 6
www.thejewelschool.com
The Jewel School has created a unique platform for children to be able to express their creativity by drawing their own artwork and then jewel it to a sparkling finish. Children will have creative control over their design choices and color options.

KiwiCo
Booth 441
www.kiwico.com
At KiwiCo, we hope to support your mission to ignite a love for learning. Our goal is to provide opportunities for growth in the classroom by providing hands-on projects that help students develop creative problem-solving and critical thinking skills.

Lakeshore Learning Materials
Booth 223
www.LakeshoreLearning.com
Here at Lakeshore, our hands-on learning materials are meticulously crafted to help children reach key milestones, with top-quality furniture designed for any learning space. We’re also proud to offer services like Complete Classrooms® and free eProcurement—making Lakeshore the one-stop shop for all your early childhood and elementary needs.

Learn Fresh
Booth 0102
www.learnfresh.org
Learn Fresh is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to leverage students’ passion for sports and entertainment to inspire their STEM and social-emotional learning, through community, play, and rigorous exploration. To date, our programming has engaged over 700,000 students across the US and beyond. Learn Fresh programs include NBA Math Hoops, MLB Players STEM League, and STEM Goals.

Learning Wrap-ups
Booth 451
www.learningwrapups.com
Learning Wrap-ups offer Hands-on and Self-Correcting materials that help students master the basics in Elementary Math and Reading.
Lexia Learning
Booth 215
www.lexialearning.com
Lexia Learning, a Cambium Learning® Group company, is the structured literacy expert. For over 30 years, the company has focused solely on literacy, and today provides a full spectrum of solutions for both students and teachers. With robust offerings for differentiated literacy instruction, personalized learning, and professional learning, Lexia helps more learners read, write, and speak with confidence. For more information, visit www.lexialearning.com.

Literary Engineers
Booth 319
www.literaryengineers.com
Literary Engineers is a publishing company that creates customized books for organizations that are designed, researched, and reviewed by experts to have the greatest impact on the targeted audience. Literary Engineers believes education is a great equalizer and a ticket to success. With the Literary Portal, we can now educate, encourage, and empower children and adults on a myriad of topics electronically. All we do supports our founder’s “why” - Changing and Saving Lives Through Literacy!

Magic Explorers
Booth 449
www.MagicExplorers.com
Magic Explorers is Social Emotional Learning through magic activities!
Our Magic Activity Packs, or MAPs, are a mixture of magic tricks meets arts and crafts with bonus educational content!

The Magician School
Booth 305
www.themagicianschool.com
The Magician School is an After School Program teaching students magic tricks and leadership skills in a fun and educational format. Come by the booth and be amazed by incredible magic taught in our programs. You may even learn a trick to share with your students! Each program ties in SEL Components and meets 21st CCLC Learning Standards. The Magician School offers a multitude of programs catering to Elementary and Middle Schoolers. For more information visit us at www.TheMagicianSchool.com.

MANGO Math
Booth 417
www.mangomath.com/products
Explore math in a refreshing new way! No more boring worksheets - MANGO Games and activities are a great way to turbo-boost students’ learning. MANGO Math kits are set up for small groups of students to grab a math game and start playing. The games provide a relaxed atmosphere where students can build their confidence and skills. Check out our booth #417 at BOOST to learn more or attend our Workshop on Thur 11:15 in Camp Inspire, Station 2.

Mastery Coding
Booth 523
www.masterycoding.com
Our standards-based curriculum uses a research-backed approach to instruction to generate student engagement. We provide exciting computer programming, esports, and STEM curriculum that combines critical thinking with project-based learning.

Mileage Club by Fitness Finders
Booth 221
www.fitnessfinders.net
Fitness Finders, Inc. is committed to Shaping America’s Future®. Since 1986, we’ve supported youth leaders like you in out-of-school programs, schools, camps, and Y’s to strengthen kids for a lifetime. Our Mileage Club® and EZ Scan® programs have motivated millions of students towards better grades, better attendance, and better behavior. Join teachers nationwide who combine Mileage Club with our unique 400+ tokens for a practical way to have a mega impact in your community.

MindWorks Resources
Booth 425 & 427
www.MindWorksResources.com
MindWorks brings excitement to afterschool with creative products designed for hands-on, student-centered learning. From our Academic Enrichment products to our Imagineate, students are engaged in experiences that support 21st Century Skills, National Standards, STEAM, SEL, and so much more.

MoxieBox Art, Inc.
Booth 509
www.moxieboxart.com
MoxieBox Art creates art curriculum for grades K-12th. Our flagship product is our art kits containing a month long full color lesson plan with all high quality supplies included. We also offer art journals and art appreciation games.
MySchoolBucks
Booth 401
www.heartlandschoolsolutions.com/en
Manage all of your registrations and payments in one place while giving families an easy and secure way to sign-up for any school program. Perfect for before & afterschool, pre-k, child care, school enrichment, clubs or activities. A comprehensive, intuitive program management for Program Directors, their staff and families.

National Runaway Safeline
Booth 561
www.1800runaway.org
For 50 years, the National Runaway Safeline has been responding to youth and families in crisis, serving as the national communications system for youth who have run away or who are experiencing homelessness. We continually transform technology, training and services to meet the current needs of vulnerable youth and ultimately achieve an end to youth homelessness.

Nature Watch
Booth 519
www.nature-watch.com
Nature Watch provides STEM Kits for Afterschool!

Nexplore
Booth 545
www.nexploreusa.com
Nexplore is a one stop shop - one of the largest in the Nation - for onsite enrichment programs. We offer 33 unique STEAM, life skills and fitness solutions. Our programs are offered weekly at over 300 schools across 8 states and growing. Our mission is to foster the joy of learning and provide upscale enrichments experiences design to meet every child aptitude.

Of Many
Innovation Ally, Renaissance Ballroom Hallway
www.instagram.com/of_many
I make and sell handmade jewelry from my heart through my hands. I incorporate many natural and organic materials in my designs.

Omnikin
Booth 563
www.Omnikin.com
Whether you are looking for a new or modified team sport, cooperative and community-building activities, or fun with fitness or skill development, Omnikin has you covered! This exhilarating and dynamic session will feature highlights of our lightweight and non-threatening dynamic 14”-48” balls that will generate excitement in your classroom like never seen before all while providing an inclusive environment! Your students will surely have a BALL!

Oriental Trading Company
Booth 605
www.orientaltrading.com
Oriental Trading along with our Mindware & Peaceable Kingdom subsidiaries is a leading supplier of educational items, school supplies, arts & crafts, teacher resources, curriculum support, social-emotional learnings, STE(A)M items and fun products for every occasion. We’ve enhanced our on-line experience to allow searching by age, grade level, subject matter and more. Shop online www.OrientalTrading.com, www.mindware.com or call 800-875-8480.

Palos Sports
Booth 225
www.palossports.com
Palos Sports has been serving physical educators, fitness professionals, coaches, and recreation directors with a variety of innovative sports and fitness equipment, activities, and knowledge that will make their programs both impactful and successful. Now a part of School Health, we continue to provide competitive prices, friendly services, product expertise, and quality equipment to our customers nation-wide.

Parker-Anderson Enrichment
Booth 0104
www.parker-anderson.org
Parker-Anderson has been the leader in after-school enrichment since 1986. Our staff of instructors is highly trained, and brings our intellectually stimulating enrichment to students in a fun and exciting way!

Paxton/Patterson LLC
Booth 547
www.paxtonpatterson.com
Paxton/Patterson provides career exploration programs full of hands-on, project-based learning to increase student engagement. Great for intervention, after/before school, summer school, camps and more- grades 5-12.
More than thirty years after its humble beginnings, PCS Edventures has instilled a passion for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) in students all over the globe. Through exciting, experiential learning, our learners quickly develop the foundations of scientific inquiry, engineering design principles and spatial mathematical awareness while also exercising problem-solving, communication, reflection and collaboration skills.

Piper Learning Inc.
Booth 447
www.playpiper.com
We create hands-on STEAM products that allow kids 3rd - 8th grade to build, tinker and explore in the physical (and digital) space and become creators rather than consumers of technology.
Stop by booth #447 and try out the Piper Computer and Piper Make products.
With a collaborative experience, your students will learn electronics, coding and engineering. We offer products, standards aligned curriculum and professional development training.

Playworks
Booth 457
www.playworks.org/southern-california
Playworks is the leading national nonprofit leveraging the power of play to transform children’s social and emotional health. Playworks has served over 3,000 schools and reached more than 2 million students directly and through professional training services since our founding in 1996. We are changing school culture by leveraging the power of safe, fun, and healthy play at school every day.
We create a place for every kid on the playground to feel included, be active, and build valuable social.

Positive Action
Booth 219
www.positiveaction.net
Positive Action is an evidence-based PreK-12 SEL program with outcomes for emotional health, self-esteem, physical health, problem behaviors, character, school/site climate and academics. With toolkits for every grade level, climate development, conflict resolution, bullying and substance use prevention, counseling and family, Positive Action provides the framework and resources to help students and educators to thrive.

Procare Solutions
Booth 323
www.procaresoftware.com
For more than 30 years, Procare Solutions has been the leading provider of child care management software, family engagement, integrated payment processing, technology, and services. The company supports nearly 37,000 child care centers, preschools, daycares, afterschool programs, camps, and related facilities with comprehensive software that has the power to manage every aspect of their business. For more information, visit www.procaresoftware.com.

Professor Egghead Science Academy
Booth 463
www.ProfessorEgghead.com
Professor Egghead offers high energy, hands-on science and engineering programs nationwide. Our innovative solutions bring STEM into the classroom in a way that is both engaging and educational for students and teachers alike. Our Pathways to Stem program includes materials shipped to you, and virtual instruction included at a low flat fee cost. We also offer teacher training, providing science kits to you, along with access to high quality curriculum to run our award winning content.

ProSolve
Booth 701, 702, 703, 704, & 705
www.prosolve.com
The technical skills required for youth to succeed in the future are unknown. In order to remain competitive, a problem-solving mindset is necessary. We are on a mission to create a school environment that develops students, teachers, and administrators' ability to solve problems. If we do this right, students will be confident, motivated problem-solvers prepared to tackle todays challenges. Our products and services solve real problems in communities and simulations of real world problems!

RATATAZ
Booth 309
www.ratataz.com
RATATAZ is a learning program that utilizes student-directed inquiry and takes STEM education to the next level. The RATATAZ program comes in an easy-to-use bin with everything you need to do hands-on real science experiments. The only program developed specifically to get students thinking like an actual scientist by implementing the RATATAZ method.
Reading with Relevance
Booth 613
www.readingwithrelevance.org
Reading with Relevance turns great books into great instruction! Our CASEL-certified SEL curriculum breaks high-interest #DiverseBooks into a series of thoughtful lesson plans exploring the social and emotional themes of the day’s reading—inspiring students to read deeply, think critically, talk openly, and write reflectively about topics that matter.

Resource Portal
Booth 503
www.resourceportal.com
Resource Portal is a collection of products and services that were specifically designed to improve the after school experience for students, after school staff, administrators, and parents. The main products are rePo! Lessons, rePo! Community, and rePo! Websites.

Rhythms of Life / DrumBus
Booth 327
www.drumbus.com
Music, movement and rhythm. DrumBus (aka, Rhythms of Life) facilitates group drumming in K-12. Even the hardest to reach children are engaged in the action and community building that results from group drumming. Together, students drum, laugh, play, and create music together. Your team can learn how to implement a drumming program at your site! Stop by the booth to drum and to learn about our research-based curriculum with many social-emotional benefits, and amazing instruments!

Sami’s Circuit
Booth 325
www.samiscircuit.com
Sami’s Circuit On Demand is a series of weekly, engaging 20-minute videos for the K-6 students in your classrooms or after school sites. Teachers, substitute teachers, and site staff love how easy this program is to use - no prep time or trainings needed!

Scholastic Education Solutions
Booth 429, 431, & 433
www.scholastic.com/education
For more than 100 years, Scholastic has partnered with schools to support student learning. Today, the Company is the world’s largest publisher and distributor of children’s books, a leading provider of literacy curriculum, professional services and classroom magazines, and a producer of educational and entertaining children’s media.

School Of Beats
Booth 109
www.schoolofbeats.org
School Of Beats creates and delivers custom STEAM based electronic music educational curriculums for After-School, Youth & Community Programs. We also offer our curriculums to individual students through our video tutorials on the Teachable educational platform.

SchoolsFirst Federal Credit Union
Innovation Ally, Renaissance Ballroom Hallway
www.schoolsfirstfcu.org
We’re dedicated to a single purpose: being champions for school employees and their families. Having served you for nearly 90 years, we understand the financial challenges you face at school and home. Whether it’s getting through the summer without a paycheck, having to buy your own supplies or uniform, or wondering if your pension will be enough to retire, we design our products and services with you in mind.
*We serve educational communities in California.

Science Action Club
Booth 415
www.calacademy.org/sac
Designed by a world-class science museum and research institution, Science Action Club features hands-on STEM activities and nature challenges that inspire wonder and spark creativity in middle-school-age youth.

Science Explorers, Inc.
Booth 511
www.scienceexplorers.com
Science Explorers is an innovative, hands-on science company dedicated to providing an opportunity for children ages 4-11 to become engaged in the wonders of science. Whether it’s an after-school club, summer camp, school assembly, or other program Science Explorers can make science cool and exciting through our interactive, hands-on format.
SCORE SPORTS
Booth 533
www.scoreSports.com
For athletes of all ages and levels, SCORE Sports creates and provides accessible, quality uniforms and sports equipment. Unique in the industry, SCORE Sports a North American company combines top-quality products, a vertically integrated manufacturing system, and unmatched personal attention to serve organizations, volunteers, and athletes.

Skillastics
Booth 0107
www.skillastics.com
Skillastics is the all-in-one solution that makes physical activity simple for after school programs. Our 36-week curriculum focuses on Fitness, Sports Skill Development, Character and STEM. We also have Unlimited Digital Specialty Programs that bring specialists, remotely, to your program. These programs can be run virtually or on-site. They are 30 days in length, with each day having a 30-40 minute lesson. Skillastics makes Physical Activity Simple and Fun for your Staff and Students!

SPARK
Booth 203
www.sparkpe.org
SPARK is the world’s most evidence-based physical education and physical activity programs, proudly founded in California. We look forward to serving your curriculum, equipment, and professional development needs.

SPARK Mentoring Programs
Booth 311
www.sparkcurriculum.org
The SPARK Mentoring Programs Speak to the Potential, Ability, Resilience inside every Kid. The programs reach students in K-12th grade via age appropriate content and activities that effectively reduce risk around high-school drop-out, drug use, bullying, suicide, depression and anxiety, while building resiliency around academic success, social-emotional skills and healthy relationships. The SPARK Mentoring Programs have been proven to increase Mental Well-being.

Speed Stacks, Inc.
Booth 227
www.SpeedStacks.com
Speed Stacks, Inc. is the worldwide leader in Sport Stacking products and curriculum. Providing schools and afterschool programs physical based learning since 2001.

Startup Smartup
Booth 453
www.startupsmartup.com
Startup Smartup is a project based entrepreneurship program focused on SEL and workforce readiness.

STEM Supplies
Booth 205
www.stem-supplies.com
STEM Supplies brings innovative products, curriculum, and resources into the classroom to immerse students in STEM principles and to connect their learnings to the real world. Our hands-on products are designed to promote creativity, inquiry, and collaboration while encouraging students to learn through discovery.

STEMfinity
Booth 0106
www.stemfinity.com
STEMfinity is your One-Stop STEM Shop for infusing PreK-12 STEAM education. Whether you’re working with early learners or soon-to-be graduates, STEMfinity has STEAM solutions for classrooms, at-home, makerspace, afterschool and summer programs. Our hands-on resources cover many subject areas such as: STEAM, Robotics, 3D Printing, Drone Technology, AR/VR/AI, Computer Science, Circuitry and Beyond.

STEMtaught ELOP
Booth 111 & 112
www.stemelop.com
Discover the world that lives in a drop of water or what a flower looks like close-up. STEMtaught has an amazing ELOP resource that can act as a complete program or dovetail into your existing afterschool program. We partnered with 25 universities and have developed daily plans to get your kids exploring. With easy to follow programming/robotics activities, fun outdoor explorations, microscopes, books, games, and hands-on STEM, planning memorable activities for your students will be easy.
During the era of Jim Crow and segregation, Sundays and community were critical to the education and development of Black communities. Sunday gatherings were about more than religion; it represented an opportunity to celebrate community, share culture and find creative ways to teach and learn important skills. Many people remember the sustaining candy carried in purses on Sunday, but for some the Sunday Candy was in being together, celebrating culture and building power.
The Walking Classroom
Booth 409
www.TheWalkingClassroom.org
The Walking Classroom is an innovative, award-winning nonprofit program used in classrooms and OST programs. Students listen to kid-friendly, educational podcasts while they walk. The podcasts are standards-aligned and are geared towards students in grades 3 - 8. Research proves that The Walking Classroom results in students who learn information better, retain it longer, are more engaged in school and have improved health literacy. There are clearly behavior benefits, too.

Warehouse 505
Booth 110
www.warehouse505.org
Warehouse 505 is a non-profit, social enterprise and venue that invests in Albuquerque’s youth by providing a place to learn and develop skills under mentorship within the creative arts and individual sports. Established in 2009 as Warehouse 508, we have worked towards furthering connections between youth and the community and fostering employment experiences and opportunities.

Welcoming Schools
Booth 606
www.welcomingschools.org
HRC Foundation’s Welcoming Schools is the most comprehensive bias-based bullying prevention program in the nation to provide LGBTQ+ and gender inclusive professional development training, lesson plans, booklists and resources specifically designed for educators and youth-serving professionals. Our program uses an intersectional, anti-racist lens dedicated to actionable policies and practices.

WINGS for Kids
Front Porch 7
www.wingsforkids.org
WINGS for Kids is a national evidence-based social emotional program that equips kids and adults with the skills they need to succeed in school and thrive in life.

Wonder Kits
Booth 321
www.wonderkits.org
Wonder Kits are hands-on, STEM based activities. Each kit comes with a nationally aligned lesson plan, a how-to video, and enough materials for up to 25 students! With only 10 minutes of prep time, Wonder Kits take the stress out of activity planning. The lessons engage students by offering a risk-free environment for youth to explore new concepts that promote grit, resiliency, and critical thinking skills. These kits are designed to create pride within the process to build growth mindset!

Woodcraft Rangers
Booth 559
www.woodcraftrangers.org
Woodcraft Rangers is celebrating 100 years of service to Los Angeles youth! Pioneers in whole-child programming, Woodcraft provides afterschool, specialty enrichment programs, and summer camps to nearly 20,000 TK-12 graders across LA County in the visual and performing arts, sports and wellness, STEM, and youth leadership annually. Woodcraft also offers DEI-focused outdoor education through summer camps, school retreats, and environmental justice programs at Camp Woodcraft in the San Jacinto wilderness.

Young Storytellers
Booth 445
www.youngstorytellers.com
Young Storytellers sparks creative self-discovery through storytelling. Our programs equip young people to be the driving force of their own narratives, emphasize that their stories matter, and celebrate their unique voices as the ones telling them. Young Storytellers works towards a future where young people understand the power of their own story and experience the impact that their thoughts, feelings, and words can have on the world in which they live. We raise voices, one story at a time.

ZTAG - Gunless Laser Tag
Booth 555
www.ztag.com
In a digital world, ZTAG gets kids off their screen and onto more face-to-face active interactions and connections.
The BOOST Gear Shop offers a variety of BOOST branded clothing items, posters, and training tools to enhance your program. All proceeds benefit the BOOST scholarship fund to support professional development opportunities for out-of-school time educators.

Stop by the BOOST Collaborative Booth in the Exhibit Hall (0101 & 0105) and visit our Gear Shop!
SAFE AND SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT
- #SEL4ALL
- Developmental Assets
- Better Behavior
- Classroom & Program Management

ACTIVE AND ENGAGED LEARNING
- Homework Helpers
- Energizers, Icebreakers, and Team Builders
- Creative Youth Development- Art is Everywhere
- Project-Based Learning
- Teaching & Connecting in a Virtual World

SKILL BUILDING
- BOOST Cafe Scavenger Hunt & Orientation (FREE for 2022 BOOST Conference attendees!)
- Civic Engagement & Leadership
- 4Cs: Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking
- Dream Manager 101

YOUTH VOICE AND LEADERSHIP
- Youth Voice & Leadership
- Empower, Engage, Enroll
- Creating Leadership Roles (and Jobs!) for Students
- Creating Surveys, Focus Groups, and Youth Advisory Boards

HEALTHY CHOICES & BEHAVIOR
- Prevention Path: A 4-Part Series on Physical, Mental, Emotional, and Behavioral Health

DIVERSITY, ACCESS, AND EQUITY
- Teaching Tolerance

QUALITY STAFF
- Professionalism & Leadership
- Leadership 2.0 (2 hours)
- FISH Philosophy & Leadership, Part 1
- FISH Philosophy & Leadership: Becoming World Famous, Part 2
- Leadership Development
- Communication 101
- Communication 201

CLEAR VISION, MISSION, AND PURPOSE
- What’s Our Mission & Vision?

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS
- Building Partnerships That Last
- No Family Left Behind
- The Principal’s Principles

CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT
- Quality Counts!

BOOST YOUR BUSINESS PRACTICES

Preparing your staff with the necessary tools to be effective in supporting children, families, and communities is essential. The BOOST Boot Camp series offers targeted training including valuable tips, tools, and resources to support staff to be successful in serving ALL children, youth, families, and communities. All training sessions embed SEL strategies and practices to benefit the whole child. Staff will leave equipped and inspired to thrive in their programs. Certificates available upon completion.

Facilitator:
Tia Quinn
Founder & CEO, BOOST Collaborative

Interested in booking training for your team?
Email training@boostcafe.org
boostcafe.org/boot-camp
10 THINGS I WILL DO IMMEDIATELY AS A RESULT OF ATTENDING BOOST

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