



PROVISIONAL SESSION CHECKLIST FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDEES

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- ☐ **8:00 AM - 9:30 AM** **OPENING KEYNOTE**
Bluebird Ballroom 1 **2025 National Teacher of the Year**
Ashlie Crosson, 2025 National Teacher of the Year
- ☐ **10:30 AM - 11:30 AM** **Fraud Detection and Prevention**
Mile High 4B Jeffrey Kenney, Damian White
- ☐ **10:30 AM - 11:30 AM** **From Pilot to Policy: Building Statewide Supports for Students in Foster Care**
Room 502 Ryan Huynh, Marlie Magill, Mel Wylen
- ☐ **10:30 AM - 11:30 AM** **Knowledge and Equity: How Cognitive Science Can Combat Unfairness**
Bluebird 2A Natalie Wexler
- ☐ **10:30 AM - 11:30 AM** **Starting with the Heart: Building Resilience and Well-Being in Educators and Learners**
Room 505 Erin Cooney
- ☐ **10:45 AM - 11:45 AM** **Empowering Families of EL Students Through Intentional Engagement Practices**
Mile High 1C Rickey Santellana, Sharon Santo
- ☐ **10:45 AM - 11:45 AM** **Re-visioning Family-School-Community Engagement: Lessons From a Global Pandemic**
Bluebird 2E Cirecie West-Olatunji
- ☐ **10:45 AM - 11:45 AM** **Revolutionizing Math Education: Unlocking the Power of AI Tools in the Classroom**
Mile High 2A Tre'Nee Uzoka, Ifeoma Uzoka
- ☐ **10:45 AM - 11:45 AM** **U.S. Department of Education Session**
Mile High 2B
- ☐ **12:00 PM - 1:00 PM** **Prioritizing Retention and Recruitment: What Really Works**
Bluebird 2A Heather Calvert, Heike Klein
- ☐ **12:00 PM - 1:00 PM** **Redefining Poverty and Our Responses: Leveraging the Science of Learning to Remove Barriers**
Bluebird Ballroom 1 Tammy Pawloski
- ☐ **12:00 PM - 1:00 PM** **Strengthening Communities with Tribal History/Shared History Curriculum**
Room 502 Yesenia Ayala, April Chavez
- ☐ **12:15 PM - 1:15 PM** **Educating Students in the Heart of Kentucky**
Bluebird 2E Sydney Cox, Dana Roney, Jennifer Russell, Jessica Veatch
- ☐ **12:15 PM - 1:15 PM** **Leading with Urgency: Five Levers to Accelerate and Sustain School Improvement**
Mile High 1C Terrence Hofer, Joe Sassone

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- ☐ **12:15 PM - 1:15 PM**
Mile High 2A
Transforming Classrooms: Coaching Systems That Drive Teacher Efficacy
Nicole Kurata, Tamara Hall, Kekaha Spencer, John Wataoka
- ☐ **12:15 PM - 1:15 PM**
Mile High 2B
U.S. Department of Education Session
- ☐ **1:30 PM - 2:30 PM**
Bluebird Ballroom 1
AI in Education Administration: Potential Uses, Pitfalls, and Policy Development
Julia Martin
- ☐ **1:30 PM - 2:30 PM**
Bluebird 2A
Funding What Works: Using Evaluation to Inform Federal Funding Decisions
Leslie Bloss, Anna Brink, Martha Walker
- ☐ **1:30 PM - 2:30 PM**
Room 502
Igniting Student Voice: Arts Strategies to Empower Title I and English Learner Classrooms
Ivonne Chand O'Neal, Anthony McWright
- ☐ **1:30 PM - 2:30 PM**
Bluebird 3A
Safety Over Everything: How APs Can Lead School Safety to Drive Academic Excellence
Louis Cobb Jr.
- ☐ **1:30 PM - 2:30 PM**
Mile High 4B
The Components Approach to Addressing Teacher Shortages
Eta Mizrav, Ellen Sherratt
- ☐ **1:45 PM - 2:45 PM**
Mile High 1C
Writing Apprenticeship: Demystifying Discipline-Specific Writing for Students
Menya Cole, Jenell Krishnan, Richard Rodriguez
- ☐ **3:00 PM - 4:00 PM**
Mile High 2A
Fuel Your Ride!
Sarah Burnett, Cindy Ham, Hubert Schroer
- ☐ **3:00 PM - 4:00 PM**
Bluebird 3A
If They Could Just Sit Still: The Boy Crisis in Schools
Suzy Pepper Rollins
- ☐ **3:00 PM - 4:00 PM**
Room 505
Leveraging the Teach to Lead Experience to Advance Student Achievement
Dr. Carlos Cotto, Dr. Patrick Jean-Pierre, Shannon Tahoe, Monica Young
- ☐ **3:00 PM - 4:00 PM**
Bluebird 2E
Navigating IDEA for Students with Disabilities Placed in Foster Care
Patricia Popp
- ☐ **3:00 PM - 4:00 PM**
Mile High 4B
Putting the ROI in ESEA – the Florida Journey to Level 5
Tara Konrardy, Maria Longa, Jack Phillip
- ☐ **3:00 PM - 4:00 PM**
Bluebird Ballroom 1
Reclaiming Relevance: Why Kids Need Schools That Connect, Personalize, and Inspire
Bob Sornson
- ☐ **3:00 PM - 4:00 PM**
Mile High 2B
U.S. Department of Education Session
- ☐ **4:15 PM - 5:15 PM**
Mile High 1C
Calm, Cool, and Collected: How to Turn Confrontation into Cooperation
Grace Dearborn

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- ☐ **4:15 PM - 5:15 PM**
Room 502 **Creating Belonging and Building Resilience in Girls Through Connection and Confidence**
Ali Hively
- ☐ **4:15 PM - 5:15 PM**
Bluebird 2A **Students Succeed When Parents Lead: How to Inspire and Equip Parents to Enrich Communities**
Alejandro Vidal, Daniel Bunker
- ☐ **4:30 PM - 5:30 PM**
Mile High 4B **Bridges Not Barriers: Strengthening Title I Equitable Services Through Collaboration**
Michael Anderson, Josie Skinner
- ☐ **4:30 PM - 5:30 PM**
Bluebird 3A **Failing Your Way to Success: How STEAM Builds Resilient, Future-Ready Learners**
Kara Ball
- ☐ **4:30 PM - 5:30 PM**
Room 505 **Family Engagement Feels Hard Because it IS Hard**
Jonathan Armstrong, Jon Lasser, Emily Roden
- ☐ **4:30 PM - 5:30 PM**
Bluebird 2E **Safe, Seen, and Supported: Behavior Strategies That Create Inclusive Classrooms**
Maria Ferlick, Erin Mayberry
- ☐ **4:30 PM - 5:30 PM**
Mile High 2B **Success Skills in Action: Realizing PBL and IBL in Every Classroom**
Terra Tarango

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- ☐ **8:00 AM - 9:15 AM**
Bluebird Ballroom 1 **KEYNOTE**
Dr. Adolph "Doc" Brown, III
- ☐ **9:30 AM - 10:30 AM**
Bluebird 2E **Better Together: Enhancing Success Through Empowered Family & Community Collaboration**
Lara Donnelly, Jill Handley
- ☐ **9:30 AM - 10:30 AM**
Mile High 2A **Bridging Two Languages: 3 Daily Shifts to Strengthen Dual Language Instruction**
Monica Harvey, Nicole Teyechea
- ☐ **9:30 AM - 10:30 AM**
Bluebird 3A **From Islands to Ecosystems: Cultivating Interconnected Learning Communities**
Patricia Ahrens, Ivonne Dibblee, Tammy O'Neill
- ☐ **9:30 AM - 10:30 AM**
Mile High 4B **You Are Now Free to Roam Around the Community!**
Antiqua Hunter
- ☐ **9:45 AM - 10:45 AM**
Room 502 **Building Strong Educational Apprenticeships: 10 Lessons from South Dakota and North Dakota**
David De Jong, Laurie Matzke
- ☐ **9:45 AM - 10:45 AM**
Mile High 1C **Mapping the Hidden Landscape of Equity and Opportunity in STEM Education**
Jarell Brown
- ☐ **9:45 AM - 10:45 AM**
Bluebird 2A **The Rights of Immigrant Children and English Learners in the Public Schools**
Roger Rosenthal

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- ☐ **9:45 AM - 10:45 AM** **U.S. Department of Education Session**
Mile High 2B
- ☐ **11:00 AM - 12:00 PM** **Cultivating a Rural School Community for Student Achievement**
Mile High 2A Kimberly Jim, Sharon Watson-Murray
- ☐ **11:00 AM - 12:00 PM** **Leveraging Open AI for Comprehensive Analysis of School Climate Data in Miami-Dade County**
Bluebird 2E Tarek Chebbi, Omar Riaz
- ☐ **11:00 AM - 12:00 PM** **Schools of Choice: Updates and Requirements**
Mile High 4B Tiffany Kessler
- ☐ **11:00 AM - 12:00 PM** **Turning Chaos into Calm**
Room 505 Brigitte Warner, Jennifer Zarak
- ☐ **11:15 AM - 12:15 PM** **Equitable Grading for MLs: A Framework Using WIDA Can Do Descriptors**
Room 502 Beth Harju, Andrea May
- ☐ **11:15 AM - 12:15 PM** **Growing Together: Family Engagement as the Foundation for Community**
Mile High 1C Latisha Hensley, Molly Rush
- ☐ **11:15 AM - 12:15 PM** **How Massachusetts is Supporting our Lowest Performing Schools**
Bluebird 2A Erica Champagne, Michael Seymour
- ☐ **11:15 AM - 12:15 PM** **U.S. Department of Education Session**
Mile High 2B
- ☐ **1:15 PM - 2:15 PM** **Building Bridges: Stronger School Communities Through Title I-A Equitable Services**
Room 505 Christina Adeboye Sullivan, Sunita Holloway, Janette Newton
- ☐ **1:15 PM - 2:15 PM** **Cognitive Fuel: Igniting Grit, Growth, and Greatness**
Bluebird 3A Tara Brown
- ☐ **1:15 PM - 2:15 PM** **Communication with Families: Using Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Attendance Initiatives**
Bluebird 2E Jane Groff, Tamara Huff Ed.D.,
- ☐ **1:30 PM - 2:30 PM** **Building Capacity Through People and Process: Hawai'i's Title IV-A Story**
Mile High 1C Crissi Doyle, Dr. Carli Miyashiro, Dee Takeno
- ☐ **1:30 PM - 2:30 PM** **Community as the Heart and Soul of the McKinney-Vento Act**
Bluebird 2A Christina Endres, Rebecca Zaltman
- ☐ **1:30 PM - 2:30 PM** **Strategies for Coordinating McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and Title I, Part A**
Room 502 Karen Rice, Anasofia Trelles
- ☐ **1:30 PM - 2:30 PM** **The Beautiful Simplicity of the Brain's Backdoor: Science of Reading Made Simple**
Bluebird Ballroom 1 Katie Garner

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- ☐ **1:30 PM - 2:30 PM** **U.S. Department of Education Session**
Mile High 2B
- ☐ **2:45 PM - 3:45 PM** **Cultivating Communities through Meaningful Engagement**
Room 505 Denise Ling
- ☐ **2:45 PM - 3:45 PM** **From Compliance to Coherence: Great Bend Schools' Improvement Journey**
Mile High 4B JoAnn Blevins, Brock Funke, Misty Straub
- ☐ **2:45 PM - 3:45 PM** **Restoring Staff Culture: Circles of Respect and Well-being in Montana Title I Schools**
Bluebird 2E Crystal Hickman, Lindsay Mahoney
- ☐ **2:45 PM - 3:45 PM** **Rooted and Rising: Belief, Belonging, and Brave Leadership**
Mile High 2A Colbi Funke
- ☐ **2:45 PM - 3:45 PM** **What Works - Sharing Ideas and Discussing What Matters**
Bluebird 3A Bill Bass, Kim Loomis, Joycelyn Pugh-Walker, ELaurie Tretter-Larkin
- ☐ **3:00 PM - 4:00 PM** **Federal Update: News from Washington**
Bluebird Ballroom 1 Julia Martin
- ☐ **3:00 PM - 4:00 PM** **U.S. Department of Education: Unlocking the Secrets of Title I, Part D to Serve At-Risk Youth**
Mile High 2B Heather Denny, Daniel Froemel
- ☐ **4:15 PM - 5:15 PM** **Beyond the Site-Based Committee: How "Micro-Communities" Transform School Improvement**
Room 505 Cindy Gibson, Lesli Laughter
- ☐ **4:15 PM - 5:15 PM** **Empowering English Language Learners Using a Multisensory-Phonemic Approach**
Bluebird 2A Jennifer Orr
- ☐ **4:15 PM - 5:15 PM** **How to Save time Planning for Instruction Using Artificial Intelligence**
Bluebird 3A Shelby Stockton
- ☐ **4:15 PM - 5:15 PM** **Increase Engagement, Academic Performance, Social Skills, Wellbeing, and More with Gaming!**
Mile High 2A Heidi Albin, Dr. Mike Russell
- ☐ **4:15 PM - 5:15 PM** **Reaching and Teaching Kids Who Don't Fit in the Box**
Room 502 Pete Hall
- ☐ **4:15 PM - 5:15 PM** **The Family Engagement Blueprint: Aligning Compliance with Meaningful Collaboration**
Mile High 4B Laura Beaver, Jill Nolen
- ☐ **4:15 PM - 5:15 PM** **The Ripple Effect of Stronger Science Education: Building Thriving Communities**
Bluebird 2E Dr. Steve Miller

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

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| ☐ 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM
Bluebird Ballroom 1 | KEYNOTE - Brian Carter
Brian Carter |
| ☐ 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Mile High 2A | Background Knowledge - An Essential Tool for Closing Learning Gaps and Increasing Access
Angela Franklin, Jeff Loupas |
| ☐ 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Bluebird 3A | Key Foundational Literacy Skills for Multilingual Learners
Marisa Russo |
| ☐ 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Bluebird 2A | Strategies to Become the Educational Leader Black and Brown Male Students Need
Robert Jackson |
| ☐ 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Mile High 2B | U.S. Department of Education Session |
| ☐ 10:45 AM - 11:45 AM
Bluebird 2E | Curiosity to Career: A Rural District is Building a STEM Pipeline for Workforce Readiness
Ashley McCool, Kathleen Schofield, Rick Surrency |
| ☐ 10:45 AM - 11:45 AM
Mile High 1C | Rooted in Research, Growing Readers: Hopkins County's Literacy Revival
Wendy Mitchell |
| ☐ 10:45 AM - 11:45 AM
Room 502 | Step Back to Move Forward: Using Title I Funds to Fuel Reflective School Improvement
Shannon Butler, Daphne Salas |
| ☐ 10:45 AM - 11:45 AM
Bluebird Ballroom 1 | Understanding Students from Their Perspective
Tommie Mabry |
| ☐ 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Room 505 | Professional Learning and Emerging Tech: Closing the Digital Design Divide with Title II-A
Julia Fallon, Michael Ham, Ji Soo Song |
| ☐ 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Bluebird 3A | The Art of Harmonizing Achievement and Relationships
Kate Barker |
| ☐ 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Mile High 2B | U.S. Department of Education Session |
| ☐ 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Bluebird 2A | Writing Reimagined: Harnessing AI and Innovation to Drive Literacy Gains
Dede Heimbigner, Charlotte Klinock, Susan Levenson, Jason Waddell |
| ☐ 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM
Mile High 4B | History and Overview: How ESEA Programs Strengthen Schools and Communities
Jonas Zuckerman |
| ☐ 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM
Bluebird 2E | Home to School: Transforming Literacy Outcomes Through Family and Community Engagement
Michael Colston, Abby Rasnake, Sprinkle |
| ☐ 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM
Mile High 1C | The Science of Reading and Multilingual Learners
Dawn Ferreyra |

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| ☐ 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
Bluebird Ballroom 1 | ESEA Hot Topics
Tiffany Kessler |
| ☐ 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
Room 505 | Growing Minds: A Project-Based Learning Model for Equity in a Title I Kindergarten
Akira Hall |
| ☐ 1:45 PM - 2:45 PM
Mile High 1C | A Panel on School Mental Health: Creating Inclusive School Cultures
Katie Conklin, Maritza Cha, Pia Houseal, Mark Wells |
| ☐ 1:45 PM - 2:45 PM
Mile High 4B | ESL Certification: Cultivating Educator Communities to Serve Multilingual Learners
Wanda Gonzalez-Crespo, Leslie Hamburger, Angel Zimmerman |
| ☐ 1:45 PM - 2:45 PM
Bluebird 2E | Strategic Paradigm Shifts in CTE: Louisiana's Framework for Workforce-Aligned Excellence
Timberly Monaghan |
| ☐ 1:45 PM - 2:45 PM
Room 502 | Strengthening Instruction Through Shared Practice: How PLCs Drove Gains in CA District
Johanna Barmore, Katie Salcido, Melissa Strand, Niccole Wiseman |
| ☐ 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Room 505 | Bridging the Divide: Uniting General and Special Education for Students with Dyslexia
Kristin Kane, Sarah Sayko |
| ☐ 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Bluebird 2A | EL Requirements in Title I Are More Consequential Than Title III
David Holbrook |
| ☐ 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Bluebird 3A | Relationships Over Everything: Why It Is More Than Just Teaching Every Day for Kids!
Robert Hinchliffe |
| ☐ 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Mile High 2A | Rightful Presence: Belonging, Value, & Shared Power Applied Through Systems
Michelle Dunn, Maura Hart, Maria Hernandez, Dawn Miller |
| ☐ 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Mile High 2B | U.S. Department of Education Session |
| ☐ 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
Room 502 | Don't Skip the BBQ: Your Guide to Building Relationships as an Instructional Leader
Jessica Graziano |
| ☐ 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
Mile High 4B | It Takes a Team: Lessons from Schools with Great Outcomes for All Students
Joseph Johnson |