CENTER for HIGH SCHOOL SUCCESS

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2026

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

7 AM-8 AM	**Breakfast**
8 AM-9 AM	**Welcome & Keynote ft. Jennifer Troy, Chief Academic Officer, Aurora Public Schools, CO**
BLOCK 1 9:15 AM-10:15 AM	**From Seminar to Skill-Building: Lessons from Four Schools** Any Phase • Any Role **Build the Feedback Loop: A Yearlong System for Student and Staff Voice** Phase 2 • Team Leads **"Wet Cement": Understanding the Research Behind Ninth Grade Success** Phase 1 • Any Role **Design Studio: Reimagining the Ninth Grade Experience** Phase 1 • Any Role
BLOCK 2 10:30 AM-11:30 AM	**Navigating the Interactive Skills Wheel: From Hidden Barriers to Intentional Support** Any Phase • Any Role **Student Self-Assessment as Evidence: Connecting Tier 2 Trends to Tier 1 Practice** Phase 3 • Team Leads **District Leader Roundtable: Decisions, Tradeoffs, and Lessons from the Field** Phase 1 • District Leaders **Tara High School's Journey: Build, Measure, and Plan Forward** Any Phase • Any Role
BLOCK 3 11:45 AM-12:45 PM	**CHSS Digital Navigator: From Student Insight to Follow-Through** Any Phase • Any Role **Meeting Makeover: Build an Agenda That Moves the Team** Phase 1 • Team Leads **Ninth Grade Success Online: A Virtual School Case Study** Any Phase • Any Role **Master Schedule Design: Creating Time for Teams and Intervention** Any Phase • School Administrators
12:45 PM-1:45 PM	**Lunch**
BLOCK 4 2 PM-3 PM	**Visualized Data Systems: Making Student Growth Visible** Any Phase • Any Role **Leadership Moves That Turn Improvement Plans into Action** Any Phase • School Administrators **District Strategy Lab: Solving an Implementation Challenge** Phase 1, Phase 2 • District Leaders **George Washington High School: Turning Strategy into Results** Any Phase • Any Role
BLOCK 5 3:15 PM-4:15 PM	**Sponsor Hour with McGraw Hill** Any Phase • Any Role **Sponsor Hour with Seminar** Any Phase • Any Role **Sponsor Hour with SchooLinks** Any Phase • Any Role **Sponsor Hour with Willow Education** Any Phase • Any Role
4:15 PM-5:15 PM	**Networking Happy Hour**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

7 AM-8 AM	**Breakfast**
8 AM-9 AM	**Welcome & Keynote ft. Dezzarae Medina**
BLOCK 1 9:15 AM-10:15 AM	**CHSS Digital Navigator: From Student Insight to Follow-Through** Any Phase • Any Role **Building the Throughline: A System-Wide Approach to Leveraging the CHSS Roadmap** Phase 3 • District Leaders, School Administrators **Start with What You Have: Adapting Ninth Grade Success to Existing Structures** Phase 1 • School Administrators **Screeners, Dashboards, and the Data That Moves 9th Graders Forward** Any Phase • Team Leads
BLOCK 2 10:30 AM-11:30 AM	**Students Supporting Students: A Peer Leadership Model for Ninth Grade** Any Phase • Any Role **From Leadership Structure to Results: Montbello's Implementation Story** Any Phase • District Leaders, School Administrators **Grading for On-Track Success: McDaniel's Playbook** Phase 3 • Team Leads
BLOCK 3 11:45 AM-12:45 PM	**Beyond Ninth Grade: Designing a 9–11 Success Continuum** Phase 3 • District Leaders, School Administrators **Teacher Leaders at the Center: Lessons from a First-Year Ninth Grade Team** Phase 1 • Team Leads **Launch Ready: The Freshman Academy Playbook for Building Team Efficacy and a Culture of Success** Phase 1 • Any Role **Bridging Grades 6–9: Designing Stronger Student Transitions** Phase 2, Phase 3 • District Leaders, School Administrators
12:45 PM-1:45 PM	**Lunch**
BLOCK 4 2 PM-3 PM	**Intervention During the School Day: Three Models** Any Phase • Any Role **Kid Talk Clinic: From Conversation to Coordinated Support** Phase 2 • School Administrators, Team Leads **The Two Critical Handoffs: Into and Beyond Ninth Grade** Phase 2, Phase 3 • School Administrators **The Administrator's Playbook for Sustaining Ninth Grade Success Teams** Phase 2 • District Leaders, School Administrators

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

ARRIVAL	**3 PM** Hotel Check-in **4 PM** Leadership Summit Check-in **6-8PM** Welcome Reception

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