



2026

August–December

ESC OF NORTHEAST OHIO

Regional Calendar of Professional Learning Opportunities



ONLINE
HYBRID
FACE-TO-FACE

DEAR EDUCATIONAL LEADERS AND COLLEAGUES,



As we begin the 2026–2027 school year, I am pleased to share the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio's Regional Calendar of Events for August through December 2026. This calendar reflects our continued commitment to supporting school districts, educators, and educational leaders through high-quality professional learning, meaningful collaboration, and innovative opportunities that strengthen outcomes for students across our region.

The first half of the school year presents a wide array of learning experiences designed to meet the evolving needs of today's educational landscape. From leadership development and instructional coaching to artificial intelligence, literacy, student wellness, special education, workforce readiness, technology integration, and school improvement, these opportunities have been thoughtfully designed to support continuous growth and professional excellence.

A hallmark of our work at the ESC of Northeast Ohio is the power of collaboration. Throughout this calendar, you will find opportunities to engage with colleagues through professional learning communities, regional networks, collaborative partnerships, and specialized workgroups. These gatherings create valuable spaces for educators and administrators to share expertise, learn from one another, and collectively address the challenges and opportunities facing our schools.

We are especially grateful for the strong partnerships that make this work possible, including our First Ring Schools Collaborative, Career Pathways Support Network, Greater Cleveland School Superintendents' Association, Ohio Schools Council, Connect ITC, State Support Team Region 3, and many other regional organizations and educational leaders. Together, we continue to build a stronger educational ecosystem that supports students, families, and communities throughout Northeast Ohio.

As you review the calendar, I encourage you to identify opportunities that align with your district's goals, your professional interests, and your commitment to lifelong learning. Whether you are a classroom teacher, administrator, support professional, board member, or district leader, there is something designed to support your growth and success.

Wishing you a successful and rewarding start to the school year.

Sincerely,

Dr. Robert A. Mengerink

Superintendent

Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio

REGIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

○ AUGUST

- | **August 4**
Connect ITC: Infinite Campus
Monthly Focus Call
- | **August 4-5**
Resident Educator Mentor
Academy
- | **August 5**
Connect ITC: PowerSchool:
Start of Year Work Session

Connect ITC: PowerSchool:
Start of Year Work Session
- | **August 7**
AI Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for District
Leaders
- | **August 10**
The HR Collective
- | **August 11**
Connect ITC: Infinite Campus:
Attendance 101

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Transportation
- | **August 11-12**
Resident Educator Mentor
Academy
- | **August 11 and continues
September 8, October
6, November 10, and
December 15**
Assess and Teach Executive
Skills
- | **August 12**
Wilson® Reading System
Level 1 Certification
- | **August 13**
Co-Teaching for Teachers
CSTAG Level 3 Refresher
Training

Stop the Bleed
- | **August 14**
Greater Cleveland School
Superintendents' Association
(GCSSA) New Superintendent
Luncheon
- | **August 18**
BAC Steering Committee
Planning Meeting

Licensure and Legislation
Power Hour
- | **August 25**
Connect ITC: Infinite Campus:
Navigating Fees

Mentor RECHARGE
- | **August 25-27**
OTES Evaluator Training
- | **August 27**
Attendance Leaders
Professional Learning
Community (PLC)
- | **August 28**
Math Community
Collaborative

Math in Action Network
- | **August 29**
SST3: Literacy in Action
Network
- | **August 31**
Data Leaders Professional
Learning Community

○ SEPTEMBER

- | **September 1**
Connect ITC: Infinite Campus
Monthly Focus Call
- | **September 1 and continues
September 11**
AI Institute: From Policy to
Practice - Cohort 2
- | **September 1 and continues
October 15 and November 2**
Strengthening Tier 1 Practices
- | **September 2**
Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for
Superintendents'
- | **September 2-3**
OPES Evaluator Training
- | **September 3**
CSTAG Level 1 and 2 Training

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Governing Board

Northeast Ohio School
Psychologist Network
- | **September 4**
AI Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for District
Leaders

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC) and
Northeast Ohio School
CFO/Treasurers Network w/
Shared Services Alliance
- | **September 8**
Aspiring HR Directors
Network
- | **September 8-9**
Resident Educator Mentor
Academy

REGIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 9

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) Networks: F.A.C.E. Network and Transportation Network
Foundations – MTSS, Behavior, and AI

September 10

AI Workgroup Consortium
Connect ITC: Library PD Day @ Western Reserve Academy
First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) Network: Superintendents
Instructional Coaching Network
Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Pupil Services and Special Education Administrators

September 11

Greater Cleveland School Superintendents Association (GCSSA) Math-ish
Northeast Ohio Adult Education Providers Network
Northeast Ohio English Language Learners (NOELL) Collaborative
Teaching and Leading Knowledge (TALK) Network
Wilson® Reading System Foundations 3

September 14

Adult Advisory Training
Struggling Learners Simulation: Adolescent
The HR Collective
Wilson® Reading System Foundations Level K

September 15

Career Pathways Support Network (CPSN): Advising, Mentoring, and Navigating Subcommittee
Career Pathways Support Network (CPSN) Workforce Alignment and Employer Partnerships Subcommittee
First Ring Schools Collaborative: Safety and Security Network
OSCES Evaluator Training
Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Northeast Ohio Association of School Personnel Administrators (NEOASPA)
Wilson® Reading System Foundations 1 Level 1
Report Card Series: Accountability Resources, Overall Rating and Gap Closing

September 15-16

Resident Educator Mentor Academy

September 16

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Network
First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC): Early Childhood Network with Regional Network
Northeast Ohio Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Coordinators of Gifted Services
Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Women in Leadership
Report Card Series: Achievement, Progress and Early Literacy
SST3: Early Childhood Supervisory Network

September 17

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) Networks: Curriculum, EMIS, Pupil Services, R.I.S.E., and Safety and Security
Lake Geauga Wellness Professional Learning Community (PLC)
MTSS Coaching Network
Report Card Series: Graduation, College, Career, Workforce and Military Readiness and Dashboards

September 18

Child Outcome Summary (COS) Training
Northeast Ohio School Counselor/Social Worker Network

September 21

Student Supports Collaborative

September 21-23

OTES Evaluator Training

September 21 and

continues October 28, November 16, January 25, February 22 and March 15

Level Up Your Leadership

September 22

CSTAG Level 3 Refresher Training
Greater Cleveland School Superintendents' Association (GCSSA): AI Policy for School Leaders
Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Assistant School Superintendents

REGIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 22 and continues November 17, January 12, February 16 and May 11

Empowering Early Educators: Elevate Series

September 23

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Assistant Principals

CPSN: Greater CLE Cluster Meeting

September 23 and

continues November 18, January 13, February 17 and May 12

Empowering Early Educators: LAUNCH Series

Successful Scaffolding

September 23 and

continues December 2 and February 24

Successful Scaffolding

September 24

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC): High School and Middle School Principals Networks in partnership with Regional Network

Northeast Ohio Mathematics Specialists (NEOMS) Network

Northeast Ohio Science Specialists (NEOSS) Network

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for High School Principals

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Middle and Elementary Principals

Wilson® Reading System Foundations Level 2

September 25

Early Childhood Supervisory Network

Math Community Collaborative

Math in Action Network

Mission Possible: Middle School, Grades 4-9

SST3: Early Childhood Itinerant Network

September 26

SST3: Literacy in Action Network

September 28

IMTSS Network

Struggling Learners Simulation: Elementary

Wilson Just Words

September 28 and continues October 9

Understanding IEP/ETR: Essential Knowledge for Principals (Cohort 1)

September 29

Connect ITC: Infinite Campus Monthly Focus Call

Career Pathways Support Network (CPSN) Higher Education Subcommittee

EMIS Network

Mentor RECHARGE

Unpacking CCWMR Data to Enhance Pathways

September 29-30

OPES Evaluator Training

September 30

Career Leaders Readiness Network

Northeast Ohio Career Readiness Leaders Network

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) Network: Career Leaders Network in Partnership with Regional Network

OCTOBER

October

Greater Cleveland School Superintendents' Association (GCSSA) – T.B.A.

October 1

Alternatives to Suspension/Expulsion: Vaping

Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) Network

Explicit Writing Strategies: An Introduction to The Writing Revolution (TWR)

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) Network: Governing Board
OSCES Evaluator Training

October 1 and continues November 2

Effective Functional Behavior Assessments and Behavior Planning: Supporting ALL Students

REGIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 2

AI Professional Learning Community (PLC) for District Leaders

CSTAG Level 1 and Level 2 Training

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) and Northeast Ohio School CFO/Treasurer Network w/ Shared Services Alliance

October 5

Data Leaders Professional Learning Community (PLC)

October 5 and continues October 7 and 9

OTES Evaluator Training (Virtual)

October 6

AI for Student Behavior Support – Practical Tools for PBIS Teams

October 8

AI Workgroup Consortium

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) Network: Superintendents and Safety and Security with Ohio Schools Council (OSC)

October 9

Disrupting Poverty in Ohio Network

October 12

Early Childhood Professional Learning Community (PLC)

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) Network: Early Childhood

When Crisis Strikes: Responding with Care, Calm and Connection

October 13

Advanced Placement (AP) Network

October 13-14

Resident Educator Academy

October 14

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) Network: F.A.C.E.

School Board Leadership Series: Peer Perspectives – Northeast Ohio School Board Panel

Wilson® Reading System Foundations Pre-K

October 14 and continues November 11, December 9, January 13, February 13 and March 10

Portrait of A Leader

October 14 and continues December 14

IMTSS: Layering the Foundation: Building and Integrated Multi-Tiered System of Supports

October 15

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) Networks: Curriculum, EMIS, NEO Registrars, PR/ Communications, Pupil Services, R.I.S.E.

MTSS Coaching Network

October 16

Northeast Ohio Regional Prisms VR Network

Teaching and Leading Knowledge (TALK) Network

October 19

ESCNEO Instructional Coaching Conference

October 20

English Learner Support Network for High School Educators

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC) Network: Transportation Network in partnership with Ohio Schools Council (OSC)

Navigating the CSR: Utilizing the Platform, including Readiness Assessments, and Assessment Authoring

Wilson® Reading System Foundations Level 4

October 21

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Women in Leadership

Wilson® Reading System Foundations Level 5

October 21-22

OPES Evaluator Training (Virtual)

October 22

First Ring Schools Collaborative (FRSC): E4ME Opportunity Fair

October 23

SST3: Early Childhood Itinerant Network

Student Supports Collaborative

October 23 and continues November 3

AI Institute: From Policy to Practice – Cohort 3

October 26

2nd Annual Strengthening the Public-School Promise Conference

REGIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 26 through December 31

Differentiation and the Brain

October 27

Attendance Leaders
Professional Learning
Community (PLC)

EMIS Network

Connect ITC: Infinite Campus
Monthly Focus Call

Mentor RECHARGE

Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for
Assistant Superintendents
School Superintendents

October 28

Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for
Assistant Principals

October 28-29

Resident Educator Academy

October 29

EVAAS Teacher Zoom
Session

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: High School and
Middle School Principals in
partnership with PLCs

Northeast Ohio Science
Specialists (NEOSS) Network

Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for High
School Principals

Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for Middle
and Elementary Principals

October 30

Math Community
Collaborative
Math in Action Network

October 31

SST3: Literacy in Action
Network

NOVEMBER

November 3

Administrative Assistant
Professionals Network
AI and Classroom
Management Systems

November 3-4

Resident Educator Academy

November 4

Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for
School Superintendents

November 5

Northeast Ohio Career
Leaders Readiness Network
EVAAS Reports: District,
School and Teacher Reports

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Career Leaders
Network in partnership
with Regional Meeting and
Governing Board Meeting

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Superintendents

November 6

AI Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for District
Leaders

Instructional Coaching
Network

Literacy Cooperative Pre-K
Teacher Academy

November 9

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Early Childhood
Network

Student Supports
Collaborative
The HR Collective

November 10

Aspiring HR Directors
Network

Teaching and Leading
Knowledge (TALK) Network

November 10-11

Resident Educator Program

November 11

Administrative Assistant
Professional Learning
Community (PLC)

Career Pathways Support
Network (CPSN): Workforce
Alignment Subcommittee

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: F.A.C.E. and
Transportation Network

Managing Challenging
Employees

Northeast Ohio Professional
Learning Community (PLC)
for Coordinators of Gifted
Services

Rethinking Discipline:
Reintegration and
Therapeutic Support

REGIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 12

AI Workgroup Consortium
Career and Technical
Education (CTE) Network
First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Superintendents
Lake Geauga Wellness
Professional Learning
Community (PLC)
Math Manipulatives: Concrete
Steps to Abstract Success

November 13

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC) and
Northeast Ohio School
CFO/Treasurers Network w/
Shared Services Alliance
SST3: Early Childhood
Itinerant Network

November 16

IMTSS Network

November 17

EMIS Network
Licensure and Legislation
Power Hour
Northeast Ohio Science
Specialists (NEOSS) Network

November 18

Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for
Assistant Principals
SST3: Child Outcome
Summary (COS) Process for
Early Childhood: Part I and
Part II

November 19

Data Leaders Professional
Learning Community
First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Networks: Curriculum,
EMIS, NEO Registrars,
Pupil Services, PR/
Communications, R.I.S.E. and
Safety and Security
Instructional Coaching
Network
MTSS Coaching Network
Northeast Ohio Adult
Education Providers Network

November 20

Math Community
Collaborative
Math in Action Network
Northeast Ohio Mathematics
Specialists (NEOMS) Network

November 21

SST3: Literacy in Action
Network

November 23 and continues December 14, January 25, February 8, and March 8

Cultivating Coaching
Mindsets Book Study

November 24

Connect ITC: Infinite Campus
Monthly Focus Call

DECEMBER

December 1

AI and Trauma-Informed
Practices and De-escalation
Career Pathways Support
Network (CPSN) Advising,
Mentoring, and Navigating
Subcommittee
Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for
Assistant Superintendents

December 2

Successful Scaffolding

December 3

Effective Investigation
Practices
First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Middle and
High School Principals in
partnership with PLCs
First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Governing Board
Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for High
School Principals
Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for Middle
and Elementary Principals

December 4

4th Annual Math Symposium
AI Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for District
Leaders
SST: Early Childhood
Supervisory Network

REGIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 7

Attendance Leaders
Professional Learning
Community (PLC)

Leveraging the Master
Schedule

December 8

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Transportation
in partnership with Ohio
Schools Council (OSC)

Greater Cleveland School
Superintendents' Association
(GCSSA): The Modern
Superintendent

Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for
Pupil Services and Special
Education Administrators

December 9

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: F.A.C.E.

Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for
School Superintendents

Struggling Learners
Simulation: Adolescent

December 10

2026 Fall OST Data Review

AI Workgroup Consortium

Board Certified Behavior
Analyst (BCBA) Network

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Career Leaders
Network and Superintendents
Network

Northeast Ohio School
Counselor/Social Workers
Network

Northeast Ohio School
Psychologist Network

Northeast Ohio Science
Specialists (NEOSS) Network

December 11

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC) and
Northeast Ohio School
CFO/Treasurers Network w/
Shared Services Alliance

Math Community
Collaborative

Math in Action Network

Struggling Learners
Simulation: Elementary

Student Supports
Collaborative

Unpacking CCWMR Data to
Enhance Pathways

December 14

Cultivating Coaching
Mindsets Book Study

Data Leaders Professional
Learning Community (PLC)

Early Childhood Professional
Learning Community (PLC)

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network: Early Childhood
Network in partnership with
Regional Network

SST3: Early Childhood
Supervisory Network

Struggling Learner
Simulation: Elementary

The HR Collective

December 15

EMIS Network (Virtual)

English Language Support
Network for High School
Educators

Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for
Northeast Ohio Association
of School Personnel
Administrators (NEOASPA)

The HR Collective

December 16

Professional Learning
Community (PLC) for Women
in Leadership

December 17

First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Networks: Curriculum,
Pupil Services and PR/
Communications

NETWORKS

In response to local, state and federal needs, networks have been developed to provide educational professionals with opportunities to collaborate, examine, and share ideas and resources that support high-quality leadership.

Administrative Assistant Professional Learning Community (PLC) NEW

A collaborative support network where administrative and clerical staff meet to upskill, share best practices, and troubleshoot evolving job demands. Joining a PLC provides a dedicated space to streamline your daily tasks, master new office technologies, and build professional connections.

Nov 3

Advanced Placement (AP) Network

The advanced Placement (AP) network is a community of AP professionals dedicated to sharing resources and instructional strategies, engaging in discussion, and building relationships to promote an effective AP culture that is equitable, diverse, and accessible for all students.

Oct 13

AI Professional Learning Community (PLC) for District Leaders NEW

Build your network and knowledge one Friday morning at a time. For District leaders responsible for supporting, guiding, or implementing AI initiative across their schools or systems, no matter where in the journey they are. Virtually presented.

Aug 7

Sep 4

Oct 2

Nov 6

Dec 4

AI Workgroup Consortium NEW

The ODEW Model Policy requires diverse workgroups whose purpose is to review new research, explore AI tools and trends, and provide guidance and ongoing feedback. The AI workgroup Consortium is a ready-made solution for districts that want to meet policy requirements.

Sep 10

Oct 8

Nov 12

Dec 10

Aspiring HR Directors Network NEW

Are you a new (0-3) years or an aspiring HR Director? This network is designed to focus on the real skills, strategies, and relationships that HR Directors deal with every day. Members gain practical knowledge, peer support, and professional connections that strengthen their leadership from day one. Join us to accelerate your growth and build your network. Whether you're navigating your first year of preparing for the leap, this network meets you where you are.

Sep 8

Nov 10

Attendance Leaders Professional Learning Community (PLC)

In this Professional Learning Community (PLC), participants focus on reducing chronic absenteeism through positive and preventive approaches. The sessions are strategically scheduled to inform and guide actions through the school year. We bring school board, higher ed., parents, related service providers, and business leaders along with the research. You bring teachers, administrators, and at least one high school student.

Aug 27

Oct 27

Dec 7

Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) Network

This network is for behavior analyst professionals (BCBAs, BCaBAs, RBTs), student support personnel and school administrators who are interested in learning, supporting, and reflecting on the best practices for assessment and programming for addressing behavioral needs in the educational setting. The primary focus of this group is to promote collaboration in learning so that all participants have practical tools to help students receive the highest quality behavioral services.

Oct 1

Dec 10

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Network

This network provides opportunities for CTE professionals, principals, and other district leaders with the opportunity to network, collaborate, share effective practices, and learn about research, training, and the latest CTE requirements.

Sep 16 Nov 12

Data Leaders Professional Learning Community (PLC)

This professional learning community (PLC) is tailored for data leaders dedicated to embedding the strategic use of data within their school's culture. Through collaborative sessions, participants will share insights, strategies, and best practices, fostering a dynamic environment where mutual learning and growth thrive.

Aug 31 Oct 5 Nov 19 Dec 14

Disrupting Poverty in Ohio Network

The Disrupting Poverty in Ohio Network provides opportunities for districts to build leadership capacity and support collaboration, and to extend professional development to educators based on theory, research, and practical strategies focused on breaking the poverty cycle that affects many students and families. The network supports the belief that all students, regardless of economic status, can meet high educational standards with appropriate supports.

Oct 9

Early Childhood Professional Learning Community (PLC)

This network offers FREE Ohio Approved hours, and a variety of topics and guest speakers for any educator who has a district leadership role in supporting or supervising Early Childhood Education. Please join us for an opportunity to network with and learn from one another as we navigate the ever-changing Early Childhood landscape. Our goal is to bring awareness of and strengthen partnerships among all providers within the Early Care and Education community.

Oct 12 Dec 14

English Learner Administrator Network (ELAN)

This network is for English as Second Language Central Office Administrators interested in networking and discussing issues and topics as they relate to the English Language Learner.

TBA

English Learner Support Network for High School Educators

This network is an ongoing collaborative learning opportunity for high school educators and administrators who support English Learners. The network provides a time and space for these educators to connect, collaborate, and share ideas about the best ways to support these students. Topics include scaffolds for learning, co-teaching, placement, strategies and tools, newcomer and SIFE supports. This group will meet in person and virtually throughout the year and participants are welcome to attend all sessions or individual sessions.

Oct 20 Dec 15

EMIS Network

The Northeast Ohio ESC offers monthly EMIS support network meetings in partnership with Connect, ITC. As EMIS reporting has become much more complex, we recognize the need for information and support to be made available regionally. This forum fosters intelligent dialogue and exchange ideas of current practices across Ohio.

Sep 29 Oct 27 Nov 17 Dec 15

HR Collective

The HR Collective is intended to focus on current realities and future trends in human resources and human capital systems in education; support best practices, district needs, implementation, and initiatives, and to support networking and collaboration with other districts across Ohio.

Aug 10 Sep 14 Nov 9 Dec 15

Instructional Coaching Network

The Instructional Coaching Network is an ongoing collaborative learning opportunity for instructional coaches, leaders of coaches and anyone invested in coaching teaching within Northeast Ohio. The Network provides a time and space for instructional coaches to connect research to practice, share and discover coaching resources, troubleshoot challenges, support colleagues and inspire new learning. This group will meet in person and virtually throughout the year and participants are welcome to attend all sessions or individual sessions.

Sep 10 | Nov 6

Lake Geauga Wellness Professional Learning Community (PLC)

Join other building administrators, counselors, and community liaisons from Lake, Geauga and Eastern Cuyahoga County in this interactive PLC. Members share innovative and best practices in integrated wellness and school climate initiatives. Participants will have multiple opportunities to develop student, staff, and family/community tier 1 and tier 2 strategies that promote school connection, resilience, and overall health.

Sep 17 | Nov 12

Licensure and Legislation Power Hour **NEW**

Virtual quarterly professional development session focused on current updates to licensure and legislation impacting our schools.

Aug 18 | Nov 17

Literacy Coach Network

With data-based decisions, student focused coaching can be the gateway to better learning experience for students and teachers. Connect with others and start your journey toward transformational literacy coaching with the ESC NEO Literacy Coaching Network.

Math in Action Network

Throughout this series, we will delve into critical topics such as: Ohio's plan to raise math achievement, utilizing math data to inform instructional decisions, strategies for building thinking classrooms, and timely updates from ODEW on math education. All meetings are virtual.

Aug 28 | Sep 25 | Oct 30 | Nov 10 | Dec 11

Northeast Ohio Adult Education Providers Network

Do you represent an agency, library, career center, community college, higher education institution or other organization that provides adult education services such as: Aspire, GED Preparation, Adult Diploma Program (ADP), Adult 18+, Adult 22, High School Equivalency, High School Continuation, Associate Degree, College or University Degrees, then you are invited to join other adult education providers who are passionate about networking together and working toward a systems approach for adult education.

Sep 11 | Nov 19

Northeast Ohio Business Advisory Council (BAC) Network

This network of school administrators and business professionals convenes to share pertinent and timely information about employment and educational opportunities in the Northeast Ohio region. A forum with industry leaders from manufacturing, business, finance, technology, healthcare, energy, and green initiatives will ultimately assist educators in creating career pathways for students.

Aug 18

Northeast Ohio Career Readiness Leaders Network

This network is for all career readiness leaders, both career tech as well as college and career readiness professionals, who are interested in collaborating, examining, and sharing resources related to college and career readiness throughout Ohio.

Sep 30 | Nov 5

Northeast Ohio English Language Learners (NOELL) Collaborative

This network is for English as a Second Language (ESL) teachers, tutors, central office administrators and other educators interested in networking and discussing issues and topics as they relate to the English Language Learner.

Sep 11

Northeast Ohio Mathematics Specialists (NEOMS) Network

This network is for passionate math specialists, coaches and teachers who are interested in learning together for the sole purpose of advancing mathematics instruction.

Sep 24 Nov 20

Northeast Ohio Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Coordinators of Gifted Services

A professional learning community designed for gifted coordinators to expand their knowledge base and build personal connections with colleagues who want to improve their practice.

Sep 16 Nov 11

Northeast Ohio Prisms V.R. Support Network

This network is designed for teachers and educators who are currently using Prisms V.R. in the classroom. The network is for educators interested in learning together, reviewing the latest modules, sharing ideas, and discussing common issues and concerns.

Oct 16

Northeast Ohio School Counselor and Social Worker Network

This network is for Elementary, Middle and High School Counselors and Social Workers who are interested in networking and discussing issues as they relate to advocating for students at each level.

Sep 18 Dec 10

Northeast Ohio School Psychologist Network

Learn and collaborate with other school psychologists! Each session includes information sharing, focused discussion, and case/issue Q & A. Topics are planned based on input and feedback from network members. School psychologists work in a range of educational settings and roles; all are welcome to attend.

Sep 3 Dec 10

Northeast Ohio CFO/Treasurers Network

This network is a series of professional learning communities designed by treasurers for treasurers. The collaborative environment fosters a network of peers, allowing participants to share knowledge and experiences, which is invaluable in a field that is constantly evolving.

Sep 4 Nov 13 Dec 11

Northeast Ohio Science Specialist (NEOSS) Network

We will host 7 meetings during the 2026-2027 school year, starting with Project WILD and Aquatic WILD training at the Portage Lakes facility of the Ohio Division of Wildlife. We will continue to alternate between full K-12 participation to meetings for K-8 and 9-12 Science educators. With over 40 school districts already represented in the network, we welcome Science educators from new school districts not previously represented.

Sep 24 Oct 29 Nov 17 Dec 10

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Administrative Professionals

This series provides opportunities for administrative assistants to network with colleagues, focus on new approaches and ideas, and learn new skills for improving services.

Nov 3

NETWORKS

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Assistant Principals

This network is for assistant principals to network with peers, discover new knowledge, and address individual and personal goals.

Sep 23 Oct 28 Nov18

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Assistant School Superintendents

This network is for assistant superintendents to network with peers, discover new knowledge, and address individual and personal goals.

Sep 22 Oct 27 Dec 1

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Elementary School (E.S.) Principals

This network is for principals to network with peers, discover new knowledge, and address individual and personal goals.

Sep 24 Oct 29 Dec 3

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for High School (H.S.) Principals

This network is for principals to network with peers, discover new knowledge, and address individual and personal goals.

Sep 24 Oct 29 Dec 3

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Middle School (M.S.) Principals

This network is for principals to network with peers, discover new knowledge, and address individual and personal goals.

Sep 4 Oct 29 Dec 3

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Northeast Ohio Association of School Personnel Administrators (NEOASPA)

A professional organization open to all Northeast Ohio School District Central Office Administrative Professionals to collaborate, examine, and share effective practices, expertise and resources related to employment practices, personnel issues, human resources functions, and related legal topics.

Sep 15 Dec 15

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Pupil Services/Special Education Administrators

A professional organization open to all Ohio school district central office administrative professionals to collaborate, examine, and share effective practices, expertise and resources related to pupil/student services, special education, and related financial topics.

Sep 10 Dec8

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for Women in Leadership

This professional network is for women Interested In networking with peers, discovering new knowledge, and addressing Individual and personal goals.

Sep 16 Oct 21 Dec 16

Professional Learning Community (PLC) for School Superintendents

This network is for superintendents to network with peers, discover new knowledge, and address individual and personal goals.

Sep 2 Nov 4 Dec 9

Speech Language Pathologists (SLP) Network

The focus of this network is for school-based Speech-Language Pathologists (SLP) and other SLPs who are interested in learning, supporting, and reflecting on current topics and best practices within the educational setting. The group is designed to promote collaboration so that all students receive the highest quality and most effective therapy.

TBA

Teaching and Leading Knowledge (TALK) Network

We believe in providing opportunities for ALL educational professionals in Northeast Ohio to collaborate, examine, and share effective practices and resources that support high quality educational leadership. This network has been established for individuals interested in networking with other educators on issues and topics as they relate to curriculum, instruction, and assessment.

Sep 11

Oct 16

Nov 10



TRAINING, EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Infinite Campus: Navigating Fees

Aug 25

Infinite Campus Monthly Focus Call

Aug 4

Sep 1

Sep 29

Oct 27

Nov 24

Infinite Campus: Attendance 101

Aug 11

Infinite Campus: Navigating Fees

Aug 25

Power School: Start of Year Training

Aug 5

Power School Leader: Start of Year Work Session

Aug 5

Library PD Day

Sep 10

To view our full schedule of events or to register for an event, please visit: <https://ohconnect.org/events/>

SST3 provides timely information regarding dates, times, registration, and delivery format for network and professional development offerings via our website and monthly newsletter. Please visit the Professional Development Calendar page at SST3.org for further details and be sure to click on the News and Updates link for additional information on current events.

Early Childhood Itinerant Network

Calling all early childhood itinerant teachers, this network is for YOU! Come connect, collaborate, and celebrate the unique work you do. Monthly meetings are held in-person at the ESCNEO or via Zoom. Bring your lunch and join us for networking and professional development.

Sep 25 | Oct 23 | Nov 13

Early Childhood Supervisory Network

The Early Childhood Supervisory Network meetings will include guest presentations from regional partners, resources, and topics of critical interest to programs including Step Up to Quality (SUTQ)/licensing, Science of Reading (SoR) in Early Childhood, interagency agreement (IAA), preschool special education, (PSE) supporting challenging behavior, inclusion supports and a focus on Creative Curriculum and other Ohio approved curriculums and assessments

Sep 16 | Dec 14

Literacy in Action Network

Calling all literacy leaders and literacy advocates! We welcome you to join the Literacy in Action Network. This network is designed to deliver timely state literacy updates for busy district leaders. Beyond compliance, these one-hour virtual network meetings aim to navigate solutions as districts face barriers when shifting instruction and systems to align with reading science.

Aug 29 | Sep 26 | Oct 31

Transition Coordinators Network

The Transition Network will meet four times per year to share relevant and updated information as it relates to transition services and graduation pathways. Resources will be shared from ODEW, NTACT-C, OCALI, Ohio Employment First, and any other agencies or organizations that are pertinent to secondary transition planning. Topics for discussion will be driven by the group attending the network meetings.

TBA

Effective Functional Behavior Assessments and Behavior Planning: Supporting All Students

This session is designed for school and special education teams interested in developing a strong understanding of the Functional Behavioral Assessment (FBA) and Behavior Intervention Planning (BIP) process.

October 1 and continues November 2

Understanding IEP/ETR: Essential Knowledge for Principals (Cohort 1)

Join us for two half-day sessions tailored for principals and district representatives. We will unpack the fundamentals of Individual Education Plans (IEPs) and Evaluation Team Reports (ETRs), including legal requirements and quality indicators.

September 28 and continues October 9



Department of
Education &
Workforce



The ESC of Northeast Ohio is leading the Northeast Ohio region that includes stakeholders in 14 counties. During the next year, schools and districts will integrate career awareness and exploration opportunities and foundational career courses for students in grades 7 and 8. Courses in middle grades will align to high school pathways that offer certification and dual credit for students. Community stakeholders will provide support for students through classroom speakers, business site visits, college and career readiness activities, mentoring and resources. It is anticipated that this regional effort will create a seamless, student-centered pathway from early career awareness to post-secondary success, strengthening both individual opportunity and Northeast Ohio's long-term workforce and economic vitality. To create this seamless system, we hope you will consider joining our Greater Cleveland Cluster Network, serving Cuyahoga and Medina Counties, participate in one of our focused subcommittees, or both.

The Northeast Ohio Career Pathways Support Network (CPSN)

On October 17, 2025, The Ohio Department of Education and Workforce awarded grants to seven regions statewide that correspond to the state's OhioMeansJobs regions. The purpose is to enhance access to career-technical education and provide high-quality advising and mentoring for students in middle grades 7 to 10. The initiative is guided by regional steering committees and focuses on expanding early career exploration and real-world learning opportunities. The network is part of a broader effort to prepare students for in demand careers through collaboration among educational institutions, including K-12 districts, career centers, compacts, JVS and comprehensive schools, as well as higher education institutions, and a broad range of community partners and businesses focused on preparing and supporting the workforce pipeline and economic development.

Greater Cleveland Cluster Meetings

Join educators, business leaders, workforce partners, and community members for an opportunity to network and learn more about the work of the Career Pathways Support Network (CPSN) and the Greater Cleveland Cluster, serving Cuyahoga and Medina Counties. Hear directly from business leaders in manufacturing and logistics, healthcare, and construction sectors as they share what is needed to build a stronger greater Cleveland talent pipeline. Topics that will be discussed include pre-apprenticeships, apprenticeships, job shadowing, internships, and entry level employment.

September 23

NORTHEAST OHIO CAREER PATHWAYS NETWORK (CPSN) SUBCOMMITTEES

Advising, Mentoring, and Navigating Subcommittee

The overarching goal is to ensure that all students have access to high-quality, equitable career advising and mentoring services across the region. This network provides participants with an opportunity to inform the direction of career advising and mentoring and gain practical support in program implementation and strategies and learn from other practitioners in the field.

September 15

December 1

Higher Education Subcommittee

The Higher Education Subcommittee will lead regional planning to encourage clearer understandings of pathways alignment from middle grades to high school to postsecondary levels. The subcommittee may consider CTE, dual credit, transfer agreements, and other options for students to more easily navigate the education-to-workforce continuum.

September 29

Instructor and Administrator Supports Subcommittee

The overarching goal is to ensure that our instructors and administrators have the support they need to be successful within their schools and districts, as well providing an opportunity to inform this work moving forward while also having the chance to collaborate and learn from others in the field.

TBA

Middle School Subcommittee

Please join in the opportunity to inform the direction of support services, gain practical support in program implementation, and learn from other practitioners in the field. The Middle School Subcommittee is charged with increasing access to, and participation in middle grades (7-10) career-technical education courses at all LEAs in the region by providing professional learning and technical assistance for regional education partners on the implementation of middle grades career focused learning; facilitating professional learning and technical assistance opportunities as determined by regional needs; and maintaining and growing the number of career-technical education instructors in the region who are within their first three years of teaching.

September 25

Workforce Alignment and Employer Partnership Subcommittee

The Workforce Alignment and Employer Partnerships Subcommittee will lead regional planning for efficient and effective delivery of career connected learning aligned to workforce demand through collaboration among Career-Technical Planning Districts, workforce partners, post-secondary partners, and all other regional stakeholders.

September 15

November 11

GREATER CLEVELAND SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS' ASSOCIATION (GCSSA)



GREATER CLEVELAND
SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS'
ASSOCIATION (GCSSA) EVENTS

Registration required
for all events!
Go to: gcssaohio.org



Learn



Socialize



Connect

New Superintendent Luncheon

Friday, August 14, 2026
11:30 a.m.

Presented by:

Adham Schirg, Superintendent,
Rocky River City Schools,
Diane Xander, Superintendent,
Polaris Career Center, and Tod
Porcello, Superintendent, Perry
Local Schools

Location: Creekside Restaurant,
8803 Brecksville Road,
Brecksville, Ohio

*In partnership with Ennis
Britton Co., LPA*



Math-ish

Friday, September 11
9:00 a.m. – Registration
9:30 a.m. – Program

Presented by: Dr. Jo Boaler,
Author and Nomellini-Olivier
Professor of Education at
Stanford University

Location:
ESC of Northeast Ohio

*In partnership Cleveland State
University and the Educational
Service Center of Northeast
Ohio*



AI Policy for School Leaders

Tuesday, September 22, 2026
9:00 a.m. – Registration/
Light Breakfast
9:30 a.m. – Program

Presented by: Scott Ross, AI
Consultant & Business Advisory
Council Coordinator, Summit
County Educational Service
Center (ESC)

Location: Summit County ESC
420 Washington Avenue,
Cuyahoga Falls

*In partnership with the
Summit County ESC*

GCSSA Session – TBA

Tuesday, October 13
9:00 a.m. – Registration
9:30 a.m. – Program

Presented by: T.B.A.

Location: T.B.A.

*In partnership with Cleveland
State University*



The Modern Superintendent

Tuesday, December 8
9:00 a.m. – Registration
9:30 a.m. – Program

Presented by: Dr. Michael
Barnes, Superintendent,
Mayfield City Schools and
Author, *The Modern World
Superintendent and Winning
Lesson on Life, Learning and
Leadership*

Location:
ESC of Northeast Ohio

*In partnership with the
Educational Service Center of
Northeast Ohio*





**First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Superintendents Network**

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

September 10: TBA
October 8: TBA
November 12: TBA
December 10: TBA

**First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC) Career
Leaders Readiness Network**

Meetings are held at the ESC of
Northeast Ohio, 6393 Oak Tree
Boulevard, Independence 44131

8:30-11:00 a.m.

September 30
November 5
December 10

**First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC) Early
Childhood Network**

12:30-3:30 p.m.

Meetings are held at the ESC of
Northeast Ohio, 6393 Oak Tree
Boulevard, Independence 44131

September 16
October 12
November 9
December 14

**First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC) High
School and Middle School
Principals' Networks**

Meetings are held at the ESC of
Northeast Ohio, 6393 Oak Tree
Boulevard, Independence 44131

8:30-11:00 a.m.:

High School Principals

1:00-3:30 p.m.:

Middle School Principals

September 24
October 29
December 3

**First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Network Meetings - F.A.C.E.**

Meetings are being held on
the 2nd Wednesday of the
month at the ESC of Northeast
Ohio, 6393 Oak Tree Boulevard,
Independence 44131

8:30-10:00 a.m.

September 9
October 14
November 11
December 9

**First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Networks Meeting Schedules**

Meetings are being held on the
third Thursday of the month
at the ESC of Northeast Ohio,
6393 Oak Tree Boulevard,
Independence, Ohio 44131

September 17
October 15
November 19
December 17

8:30-10:00 a.m.

PR & Communications

R.I.S.E. (until 10:30 a.m.)

Safety & Security

(September 16, October 8
w/ Ohio Schools Council)

10:30-11:30 a.m.

EMIS - Virtual

12:00-1:30 p.m.

Curriculum

Pupil Services

**First Ring Schools
Collaborative (FRSC)
Transportation Network**

August 11

September 9

October 20 w/Ohio Schools
Council (OSC)

November 11

December 8 w/Ohio Schools
Council (OSC)

**First Ring Schools
Collaborative FRSC and
Northeast Ohio School
CFO/Treasurers Network w/
Shared Services Alliance**

12:00-2:00 p.m.

September 4

October 2

November 13

December 11

Meetings held at the ESC of
Northeast Ohio, 6393 Oak Tree
Boulevard, Independence 44131

Meetings are in partnership
with the Ohio Schools Council
and Shared Services Alliance.

AI

AI Institute: From Policy to Practice

Adopting an AI policy is the first step. Then comes the work that makes it mean something — building the guidance, training the staff, and creating systems that turn a board-approved document into daily practice. Policy adoption is the starting line, not the finish line. This institute is designed for what comes next — turning that policy into practice your staff understands, your families trust, and your board can stand behind.

September 1 and continues September 11
October 23 and continues November 3

COACHING

Coaching Conference

Join us for the ESC-NEO Coaching Conference 2026, a dynamic learning experience focused on strengthening instructional leadership for coaching success and elevating the impact of coaching across schools and systems. The day features a keynote from Dr. Daryl Michel, and all paid registrants will receive a copy of his new book, *Instructional Leadership Through Student-Focused Coaching*. Participants will engage in interactive sessions across key strands including Student-Focused Coaching, Instructional Leadership, Systems & Structures, Culture & Trust, Measuring Impact, and a featured Coaching Impact Showcase highlighting real examples of student-centered results. This conference is designed to move coaches and administrators from vision to action—ensuring coaching is clear, coherent, and indispensable to student success.

October 19

Cultivating Coaching Mindsets Book Study

Join us for a collaborative and engaging monthly lunchtime Zoom book study centered on *Cultivating Coaching Mindsets* by Rita M. Bean and Jacy Ippolito. Designed for instructional coaches and educational leaders, this series will explore

how to build strong relationships, strengthen coaching practices, and support school-wide improvement through a systems-based approach. As a special opportunity, the authors themselves will join us for select sessions.

November 23 and continues December 14,
January 25, February 8, and March 8

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Unpacking CCWR Data to Enhance Pathways

Using the information in the CCRW metric during the scheduling process to inform master scheduling. This workshop will focus both on the metrics themselves and leading indicators from similar datasets to inform the scheduling process.

September 29
December 11

COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL THREAT ASSESSMENT GUIDELINES (CSTAG)

CSTAG Trainings Levels 1 and 2

The Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio (ESCNEO) and Ohio Schools Council (OSC) offer School Threat Assessment Training and Coaching utilizing Dr. Dewey Cornell's Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines (CSTAG). During training, Threat Assessment team members will practice hands-on tools, review case studies and learn guidelines to use in responding to threat of school violence. This training meets HB 123 requirements for evidence-based threat assessment training.

September 3
October 2

CSTAG Level 3 Refresher Training

CSTAG Level 3 is a half-day (4-hour) workshop for graduates who have completed full-day training. Dr. Cornell designed this workshop in response to questions and problems that come up in CSTAG implementation. Each module provides key points to improve your team functioning and to address controversies in the field. This training meets HB 123 requirements for recertification.

August 13
September 22

DATA

EVAAS: District, School and Teacher Reports

This interactive session will guide participants in analyzing and interpreting their district, school, and teacher growth and achievement data. The newly re-designed scatterplots will be explored. Lunch is on your own.

November 5

EVAAS: Zoom for Teachers

This session is created for a teacher's audience. The convenient, one-hour Zoom session aims specifically at supporting teachers in interpreting their individual teacher-level value-added data and exploring the redesigned student reports. .

A video recording will be sent to all registrants. Please register even if you are unable to attend the live session.

October 29

Report Card Series

Join us for sessions focused on discovering your district's report card data. ESC consultants will guide you through actionable steps to enhance educational outcomes.

September 15-17

GIFTED

Differentiation and the Brain

In this online, asynchronous course, participants will explore how educational neuroscience and brain-compatible instructional design can enhance gifted education services across settings. This practical guide offers frameworks, examples, and tools to support gifted learners by aligning differentiation strategies—including adjustments for readiness, interest, and learning profiles—with how the brain naturally processes information. Participants will engage in weekly reading reflections and peer discussions. Those seeking graduate credit will submit a final project.

October 26 through December 31

HUMAN RESOURCES

Effective Investigation Practices

This session ensures district and building leaders know how to conduct a legally defensible investigation from start to finish, including navigating Union contracts and Ohio employment law. this training is for building and district leaders who supervise employees. *This training is part of the Challenging Employees PD Series, although it can be taken in isolation.

December 3

Managing Challenging Employees

Learn to identify common challenges, develop a plan of action for each, understanding documentation requirements, how to coach and hold employees accountable, and the art of Union navigation. this training is for building and district leaders who supervise employees. *This training is part of the Challenging Employees PD Series, although it can be taken in isolation.

November 11

OPES Evaluator Training

This course serves as the required training necessary to become an OPES credentialed evaluator and evaluate Principals and Assistant Principals. After successful completion, participants will be required to take and pass a credentialing test before receiving their credential.

September 2–3
September 29–30
October 21–22

OSCES Evaluator Training

This course serves as the required training that is necessary to become an OSCES credentialed evaluator. After successful completion of the course, participants will receive their credentialing certificate.

September 15
October 1

OTES Evaluator Training

This course serves as the required training that is necessary to become an OTES credentialed evaluator. After successful completion of the course, participants will receive access to the credentialing assessment through Insight Advance.

August 25–27
September 21–23
October 5 and continues 7, and 9 (Virtual)

LEADERSHIP

Level UP Your Instructional Leadership

This is a cohort designed for current Assistant Principals/Deans of Students seeking to “Level Up” their instructional leadership capacity to ensure ALL students have equitable access to high quality learning opportunities.

September 21 and continues October 28,
November 16, January 25, February 22 and
March 15

LITERACY

Explicit Writing Strategies: An Introduction to the Writing Revolution

The Writing Revolution (TWR) provides a clear method of instruction that you can use no matter what subject or grade level you teach. The model, also known as The Hochman Method, has demonstrated, repeatedly, that it can turn weak writers into strong communicators by focusing on specific techniques that match their needs and by providing them with targeted feedback.

October 1
January 28
April 16
May 4

Wilson® Foundations Course

Foundations provides a research-based supplemental (Tier 1) and intervention (Tier 2) program for students in kindergarten through third grade. Each workshop addresses a specific level (K, 1, 2, or 3). The Foundations Level Workshop provides a practical, how-to overview of the Foundations program. This six-hour workshop prepares teachers beginning to use the program and is also appropriate for reading support personnel.

September 2: Foundations Level 3
September 14: Foundations Level K
September 15: Foundations Level 1
September 24: Foundations Level 2
October 14: Foundations Pre-K
October 20: Foundations Level 4
October 21: Foundations Level 5

Wilson® Just Words

Just Words® is a Tier 2 intervention that provides a sophisticated study of word structure, explicitly teaching how English works to achieve decoding and spelling automaticity.

Just Words® supports those who have not mastered the foundational skills of language structure typically learned in Grades K–3, offering strategies that enable them to read and spell words independently and build the skills necessary to access and master grade-level standards.

The Wilson Reading System is a comprehensive remedial program for students in grades 2–12 and adults needing intensive intervention.

September 28

MATHEMATICS

4th Annual Math Symposium

Join us for the Fourth Annual Math Symposium, where we're bringing fresh, new content designed to deepen your math instruction! You will leave with practical, research-based strategies that you can implement in your classroom immediately. Whether you've attended in the past or this is your first time, you'll leave with actionable takeaways to enhance student learning the very next day.

December 4

Math Manipulatives: Concrete Steps to Abstract Success

In this hands-on professional development session for K–8 teachers, participants will explore concrete, semi-concrete, and abstract representations to deepen students' mathematical understanding. Educators will learn how to effectively use manipulatives and visual models to support conceptual learning.

November 12

MULTI TIERED SYSTEMS OF SUPPORT

IMTSS: Layering the Foundation: Building and Integrated Multi-Tiered System of Supports

This session introduces educators to Ohio's Integrated Multi-Tiered System of Supports, the state's framework for delivering effective, data-informed academic and non-academic supports to all students. Participants will learn the key components of the ODEW model—

Universal Screening, Data-Based Decision Making, Continuum of Supports, Progress Monitoring, Team-Based Problem Solving, Shared Leadership, Professional Capacity, and Communication and Collaboration—and how these elements work together to meet the needs of students who are below, at, or above grade-level expectations.

October 14 and continues December 14

RESIDENT EDUCATOR

Resident Educator Mentor Academy

Resident Educator Mentor Academy Training is a face-to-face event. New mentors to the Resident Educator Program are required to successfully complete the 12-hour Mentor Academy Training to receive state mentor certification. The two-day Academy focuses on the role of the mentor and the critical components of instructional mentoring. Full-day attendance at this Mentor Academy training is required for all new Resident Educator mentors and is strongly recommended for any mentor trained more than 5 years ago.

August 4–5

August 11–12

September 8–9

September 15–16

October 13–14

October 28–29

November 3–4

November 10–11

Resident Educator Mentor Academy (Virtual)

Resident Educator Mentor Academy Training is a hybrid event. New mentors to the Resident Educator Program are required to successfully complete the 12-hour Mentor Academy Training to receive state mentor certification. The Academy focuses on the role of the mentor and the critical components of instructional mentoring. Mentors are introduced to the essential content of mentoring to prepare them to support the instructional growth and development of Resident Educators. This is a hybrid training requiring participants to access both the ODE Learning

Management System and the Virtual meetings held by the ESC. Full participation in all synchronous and asynchronous work is required for certification.

August 4 and continues August 11, and 18
September 9 and continues September 16, and 23
October 6 and continues October 13, and 20
November 3 and continues November 10, and 17

Mentor ReCharge

The Resident Educator Mentor REcharge is a face-to-face, one-day event for previously trained Resident Educator Program mentors who are looking to refresh, renew, and recharge their mentoring practice. The six-hour training helps experienced mentors reconnect with the essential tools and practices introduced in the original Mentor Academy while deepening their skills through reflection and application. Participants explore updated mentoring strategies, revisit foundational tools, and engage in scenario-based learning to address real-world mentoring challenges. The training also emphasizes professional goal setting, networking, and resource-sharing to reenergize mentors for their vital role in supporting Resident Educators. Mentors attending REcharge receive a certificate of attendance; however, REcharge does not certify them as trained mentors. Mentors who have not been previously certified by attending the Mentor Academy should not be attending REcharge.

August 25
September 29
October 27

SCHOOL BOARDS

Elevate Your School Board Leadership

Elevate your governance skills with our targeted three-part School Board Leadership Series, designed specifically for educational leaders across Northeast Ohio. This comprehensive program equips board members with actionable insights from current Northeast Ohio School Board members, the best financial practices, and essential

safety strategies to effectively guide their districts.

Session I: Peer Perspectives – Northeast Ohio Board Panel

Kick off the series by connecting with experienced school board members from across the Northeast Ohio region. This interactive panel discussion will explore real-world governance challenges, community engagement tactics, and successful board operations. You will gain practical, firsthand knowledge to help navigate the unique dynamics of your local district.

October 14

Session II: School Board Finance

Demystify the complexities of public-school funding in Ohio. This session provides a clear overview of district budgeting, revenue sources, levy planning, and fiscal oversight. Learn how to interpret financial reports, ensure long-term district solvency, and maintain transparency with your taxpayers.

January 13

Session III: Safety and Security

Protecting students and staff is the school board's highest priority. This session covers the latest protocols in school safety, emergency preparedness, and facility security. Board members will learn how to evaluate current safety policies, collaborate with local law enforcement, and support mental health and crisis management initiatives.

April 14

SOURCES ADVISORY TRAINING

Adult Advisory Training

Sources of Strength Adult Advisors, from schools with 2+ years from our region, will have the opportunity to come together to play, share, learn from each other, and focus on their own.

September 14

TEACHING AND LEARNING

2nd Annual Strengthening the Public-School Promise Conference

The Strengthening the Public-School Promise Conference brings educators together for a full day of practical, high-impact learning focused on belonging, consistency, and coherence. With a special emphasis on Executive Functioning, participants will explore how building students' skills—alongside strong systems like I-MTSS—can improve engagement, independence, and academic success. The day will feature keynote speaker Peg Dawson, a nationally recognized expert in executive functioning, who will share insights and strategies grounded in decades of research and practice. Designed for immediate application, this experience equips educators with actionable strategies—without adding new initiatives—to strengthen teaching and learning across schools.

October 26

Assess and Teach Executive Skills

This series is designed for educators supporting executive skills. Develop an understanding for how to define, assess and teach foundational and advanced executive skills. The series will focus on multiple tiers of support, from classroom practices to individual student support, including how to address executive skills in student evaluations and IEPs. Participants should commit to attending at least 4 of the 5 sessions in the series.

August 11 and continues September 8, October 6, November 10, and December 15

Co-Teaching for Teachers

Are you new to co-teaching? Will you be co-teaching with someone new next year? Have you ever wondered if you and your co-teacher are making the best use of your time together? Learn about co-teaching models and practical strategies to plan, teach, and assess together in ways that promote shared responsibility and improve your students' learning.

August 13

Empowering Early Educators: Launch Series

Empowering Early Educators is more than just a series of workshops; it's a dynamic and interactive experience crafted to support and elevate educators in their crucial first year and thereafter. Through a carefully created curriculum, knowledgeable guidance, and collaborative learning opportunities, participants will gain the understanding, competencies, and confidence needed to ensure teachers and ALL students thrive in the classroom and beyond.

September 23 and continues November 18, January 13, February 17, and May 12

Empowering Early Educators: Elevate Series

Participants will deepen their practice through collaboration, reflection, and exploration of relevant topics that extend and build on foundational teaching practices. Designed as a continuation of the Empowering Early Educators Launch experience, this series supports newer teachers in expanding their impact on student learning, strengthening professional connections, and developing their voice within the school community.

September 22 and continues November 17, January 12, February 16, and May 11

Leveraging the Master Schedule

Join K-12 principals, assistant principals, and district leaders for an engaging professional learning session designed to help you: See how the master schedule shapes belonging, access, and opportunity. Align scheduling decisions with your building goals and student needs. Design structures that prioritize collaboration and meaningful student experiences.

December 7

Successful Scaffolding

This professional learning experience supports teachers and administrators in using practical, research-based scaffolding strategies to meet diverse student needs. Participants will learn how to plan and implement scaffolded instruction with confidence, grounded in *How Scaffolding Works* by Frey, Fisher, and Almarode. The focus is on

strategies educators can immediately apply to strengthen learning for all students.

September 23

December 2

February 24

Struggling Learner - Adolescent

The Struggling Learner Simulation offers a powerful, hands-on professional learning experience that puts educators in the shoes of a struggling learner. Through a series of realistic reading and language-based tasks, participants gain firsthand insight into the challenges students face, building empathy and deepening understanding. The experience is paired with a structured debrief and practical learning focused on evidence-based instructional strategies, equipping educators with actionable approaches to better support struggling readers across grade levels.

September 14

December 9

March 10

Struggling Learner - Elementary

This simulation and professional development is to raise awareness of the struggles of students that struggle with reading or those who may be at risk readers or diagnosed with a special education plan. Gain a better understanding of the challenges that struggling readers face on a daily basis as well as knowledge about what we can do about it. Leave with next steps using your HQIM materials to target instruction that works.

September 8

December 11

March 8

Mission Possible: Middle School, Grades 4-9

Ready to join us for a fun and impactful day of learning? This professional development session is designed specifically for Middle School educators who are passionate about making a difference during these pivotal years. Together, we'll explore: Why We Love this Unique Age

Group; Brain Research and Executive Functioning in Adolescents; Strategies for Actively Engaging Middle School Minds; Strategies to Build Belonging and Create Effective Teaming; and Routines and Structures that Help Students Thrive.

September 25

TRAUMA INFORMED PRACTICES/MENTAL HEALTH

When Crisis Strikes: Responding with Care, Calm and Connection

Empowering school personnel with the tools and information they need to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the impact of a traumatic event in your school. This workshop will include the basics of responding to students in crisis, what to expect in the days/weeks following an event, and universal strategies to build resilience before a crisis occurs. Content is informed by the results of a 2-year focus group project with local students.

October 12

Stop the Bleed

The Ohio School Safety is proud to offer the American College of Surgeons (ACS) Stop the Bleed® Bleeding Control Course. As the world's largest provider of bleeding control education, ACS Stop the Bleed® empowers everyday people with the skills needed to save a life before professional help arrives. In this course, participants learn how to recognize life-threatening bleeding and take immediate, effective action using three proven bleeding control techniques. This training gives you the confidence and ability to make a life-or death difference during emergencies such as accidents, workplace incidents, or violent events.

August 13

DIRECTIONS

We are located just off Rockside Road on Oak Tree Blvd., west of the I-77 Interchange (Exit #156 from the North and #155 from the South).

North

Exit I-77 at exit #156-Rockside Road. Turn right and proceed to Oak Tree Blvd. South (at second light from I-77 on left) Turn left and continue .5 mi to the end of road. The ESC is the last building on the left (Essex Place).

South

Exit I-77 at exit #155-Rockside Road. Turn left and proceed to Oak Tree Blvd. South (at third light from I-77 on left) Turn left and continue .5 mi to the end of road. The ESC is the last building on the left (Essex Place).



The Bridge to Educational Excellence



6393 Oak Tree Boulevard South
Independence, Ohio 44131

Phone: 216-524-3000

Fax: 216-524-3683

www.escneo.org

Funded by IDEA, Part B
Grant to States through
the Ohio Department of
Education's grant to the
Educational Service Center
of Northeast Ohio.

