



REGION D GATHERING - BOISE, ID

JUNE 16-18, 2026

AGENDA



Together Forward Where Pathways Meet and Possibilities Rise

Day 1 – Tuesday, June 16

- 7:00-8:30am: Breakfast
- 8:30am: Welcome & Agenda Review
- 9:00am-10:30am: Steve Pemberton - Together Forward: Becoming the Lighthouse Where Pathways Meet and Possibilities Rise (G1, G3)
- **10:30-11:00am: Break & Book Signing**
- 11:00am-12:30pm: Christopher Tiffany - The Evolving Role of PTIs and CPRCs in a School Choice Landscape (G1, G2)
- **12:30-2:00pm: Lunch & Networking**
- 2:00-3:30pm: Michael McSheehan - Part 1: Translating Content Into Experience-Centered Practice (G2)
- **3:30-3:45pm: Break**
- 3:45-4:45pm: Michelle Bass- The Cost of Caring: Who's Caring for You? (G1, G3)
- 4:45- 5:00pm: Q&A, Wrap Up

Day 2 – Wednesday, June 17

- 7:00-8:30am: Breakfast
- 9:00-10:30am: Michael McSheehan - Part 2: Protecting What's Important (G2)
- **10:30-10:45am: Break**
- 10:45am-12:00pm: Melanie Hicks - Same Office, Different Operating Systems; Navigating the Modern Workplace (G3)
- **12:00-1:30pm: Lunch**
- 1:30-3:00pm: Joe La Belle - Part 1 - From Data to Decisions: Helping Parent Centers Use Information for Strategic Impact (G1, G3)
- **3:00pm-3:15pm: Break**
- 3:30-4:30pm: Joe La Belle & Bill Nuttycombe - Part 2: - AI for Parent Centers: Working Smarter, Not Harder (G1, G2, G3)



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Together Forward: Where Pathways Meet and Possibilities Rise

Day 3 – June 18

- 7:00-8:30am Breakfast
- 8:30-9:15 am Michele Tyler and Ellie Santiago - Using CPIR Products to Support Parent Centers: An Onboarding Workshop (G1, G2, G3)
- 9:30-10:45am JJ Jarrell - What's Actually Happening in Nonprofit Organizations Right Now — Workforce Trends, HR Vulnerabilities, and What Leaders Can Do About Them (G3)
- **10:45-11:10 am: Break**
- 11:10 am-12:25 pm: Joanna Lindstrom - Illuminating the Way: Position Your Center for Funding Success (G3)
- **12:25-1:00: Lunch (Prepare for Table Topic Discussions)**
- 1:00 -2:00 pm: Facilitated Table Topic Discussions - Strategy Lab - Three Things to Implement, and Three Strengths to Share

Rotation 1: 1:00-1:20

Rotation 2: 1:20-1:45

Debrief 1:45-2:00 Table Topics facilitated by Jacque Hyatt

- **2:00-2:15pm: Break**
- 2:15-4:00pm: Daniel Fernandes - Forward, No Matter What: The Leader You Already Are (G3)
- 4:00 pm - Q & A, Gathering Farewell

Topics: Parent Center Burnout, Funds Development & Sustainability, HR Policies, Leadership - Parent Center Culture, School Choice, IDEA - Content & Staff Development, Technology and AI for Data Collection and Equitable Outreach (G1, G2, G3)