

Aspiring Principals Conference Agenda

April 12-13, 2024

Girl Scouts of Central Indiana

7201 Girl Scout Lane, Indianapolis, IN 46214

Friday, April 12, 2024, (Please dress casually/bring business cards for networking)

- 1:00 Registration
- 1:30 Introductions
- 1:45 Principal Priorities – Gold Nuggets of Wisdom
- Kristen Peterson- 2023 Indiana Assistant Principal of the Year
Katie Smith- 2023 Indiana Elementary School Principal of the Year
Michelle Dyer- 2023 Indiana Middle School Principal of the Year
Angela Blessing- 2023 Indiana High School Principal of the Year
- 2:15 Compass Activity – Dr. Dan Peo, Avon High School, Avon
- 3:00 So You Want to Be a Principal – Dr. Crystal Thorpe, Fishers Jr. High School, Fishers
- 3:45 Break
- 4:00 Scenarios and Partner Activity
- 4:45 Words of Wisdom for Aspiring Principals: Panel Discussion with Practicing Superintendents
- Dr. Nikki C. Woodson, MSD of Washington Township
Dr. Michael Sargent, Kokomo School Corporation, Kokomo
Dr. Chip Pettit, Duneland School Corporation, Chesterton
- 5:30 Dinner
- 6:30 Words of Wisdom for Aspiring Principals: Panel Discussion with New School Leaders
- Jonathan Rogers, Kokomo High School, Kokomo
Karle Hougland, Northwood Elementary School, Franklin
Heidi Hennigar, Liberty Elementary School, Chesterton
Ahnya Evinger, New Washington Middle/High School, New Washington

Saturday, April 13, 2024

- 7:30 Breakfast
- 8:30 Empowering Teachers Through A Culture of Change
Kristen Peterson, Chesterton High School, Chesterton
- 9:15 A Culture of "I've Got You!"
Katie Smith, Union Elementary School, Bargersville
- 10:00 Break
- 10:15 Learning and Leading Without Limits - Supporting students, families, and teachers with students and subgroups that have major learning gaps.
Michelle Dyer, River Valley Middle School, Jeffersonville
- 11:00 Legacy Matters
Angela Blessing, Kokomo High School, Kokomo
- 11:45 Lunch
- 12:30 School Law - Attorney Seamus Boyce, Kroger Gardis & Regas, LLP
- 1:15 Breakouts
- Elementary Katie Smith, Tiffany Barrett
Middle School Michelle Dyer, Dan Peo
High School Angela Blessing, Kristen Peterson
- 2:00 Closing Speaker – Dr. David Clendening, 2022 Superintendent of the Year, Franklin Community School Corporation
- 2:45 Closing Comments – Dr. Todd Bess, Executive Director, Indiana Association of School Principals
- 3:00 Adjourn