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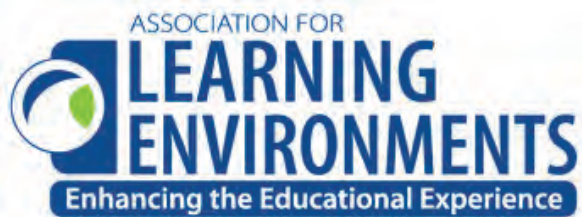


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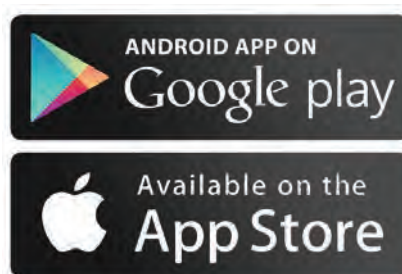
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# LearningSCAPES 2017

Welcome to Atlanta and the Association for Learning Environments LearningSCAPES Conference! Professionals from across the world will gather to rethink, restructure and reform how our schools can best prepare our students to engage and succeed in globalization's new challenges and opportunities. As globalization of the world economy continues, a parallel growth of globalization of knowledge is also taking place.

LearningSCAPES 2017 -Global Solutions in Place - offers it all – groundbreaking educational sessions, a thought-provoking equity panel discussion, inspiring keynotes and our LEsolutions Marketplace - a showcase of state-of-the-art tools that move learning into the future. The Association's LEsolutions Planning & Design Awards will be displayed in the Atrium Foyer throughout the conference. Join me as we explore innovative learning environments that provide real-world learning experiences and opportunities for creativity, critical problem solving and collaboration. In addition to a visit to the Carter Library and the Ron Clark Academy, Learning Tours will take place in some of Atlanta's most innovative schools.

And our stellar networking events are not to be missed, beginning with our Welcome Reception at the Center for Civil and Human Rights. If time permits, Atlanta has a lot to share—from Coca Cola and CNN to the Georgia Aquarium and Georgia Dome!

With the intent to bring the student voice into the planning and design of learning environments, the SchoolsNEXT finalist teams will present their solutions to global design challenges that inspire transformation in education.

Our association is confronting a time of many changes and with change comes opportunity. We are meeting those changes through enhanced education and certification programs, expanding our global reach. The association will soon be sporting a fresh, new look! Staff is working diligently to put our new association management system in place and is also designing an exciting new website with you in mind.

Thank you to the Southeast Region and the Georgia Chapter, for hosting us in the great city of Atlanta. Thanks to their untiring efforts and dedication, LearningSCAPES will be a valued and most memorable event.

And thanks to you, our dedicated members, who are planning and designing exceptional learning environments that will empower our students to develop the skills they need to succeed in a rapidly changing world.

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## David Houle

David Houle is a futurist, thinker and speaker. Houle spent more than 20 years in media and entertainment. He has worked at NBC, CBS, and was part of the senior executive team that created and launched MTV, Nickelodeon, VH1 and CNN Headline News. Houle has won a number of awards including two Emmys, the prestigious George Foster Peabody award, and the Heartland award for “Hank Aaron: Chasing the Dream”. He was nominated for an Academy Award as well.

Houle is consistently ranked as one of the top futurists and futurist keynote speakers on the major search engines and in the world today. In the last five years he has delivered keynotes on six continents and twelve countries. He is often called “the CEOs’ Futurist” having spoken to or advised 2,500+ CEOs and business owners in the past seven years.

He writes the highly regarded futurist blog [www.evolutionshift.com](http://www.evolutionshift.com) with the tag line “A Future Look At Today.” For those of you on Twitter his user name is [evolutionshift](https://twitter.com/evolutionshift), which is also the name of his YouTube channel. He publishes the free Shift Age Newsletter, available at [www.davidhoule.com/newsletter](http://www.davidhoule.com/newsletter). During 2010 Houle was a featured contributor on Oprah.com, and his much acclaimed site [futurewow.com](http://futurewow.com) which is his curated visual look into the future launched in 2013.



## Kyle Schwartz

Kyle Schwartz is a third grade teacher at Doull Elementary in Denver, Colorado. Doull Elementary has a strong community and the school faces challenges. At Doull, about 90% of students live below or very near to the poverty line and about half are learning English at school.

Ensuring that all children receive a quality education has been the driving force in Kyle Schwartz’s career. She has worked with education focused organizations such as City Year, the Denver Teacher Residency, America Achieves, and TeachStrong.

Due to the high academic growth and the strong instructional practice observed in her classroom, Kyle Schwartz is designated as a “Distinguished Teacher” by Denver Public Schools. She has lead professional development at national and local conferences and has spoken to organizations across the country on many issues including building strong classroom communities.

# EQUITY PANEL

## Creating Culturally Responsive Learning Environments

Learners are tasked to become responsible global citizens and adaptable to constant change. How do learning environments become the stage for each learner to reach their highest possible level of achievement and prepare for their future?

The answer to this question is a moving target influenced by both the status quo and the need to stay relevant, challenged by the cultures that surround each learning environment. These cultures are shaped by awareness, local and national expectations and policies, governance structures, and diverse individual and community needs.

Through the lenses of those who work in a variety of education spaces - Georgia, South Australia, Texas, Alberta, and Washington state - we will discuss how to move from status quo to building education spaces in response to the individual needs of learners, increasing ethnic, cultural and socioeconomic diversity, all within the very complex systems of education.

### **Facilitator:**

*Erin Jones*, Independent Education and Systems Consultant - Lacey, Washington

### **Panelists:**

*Andre Benito Mountain*, Principal of Marbut Traditional Theme School, DeKalb County School District - Lithonia, Georgia

*Tim McClure*, Assistant Superintendent for Facilities, Northwest Independent School District - Ft. Worth, Texas

*Steve Murakami*, Senior Program Manager for OAC Services and former COO of Tacoma Public School - Bellevue, Washington

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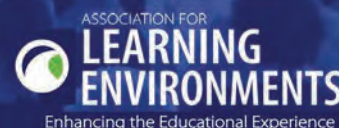
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"Designing The Future Ready School"  
Perkins + Will  
Boston, MA

**March 3, 2018**  
Hazel Wolf: E-STEM  
K-8 School  
NAC Architecture  
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# PROGRAM GUIDE

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26\*

8:00 am	Registration
8:00 am	International Board Meeting
12:30 pm	Learning Tours
1:00 pm	ALEP Testing
6:30 pm	Opening Celebration Advanced Academy ALEP Recognition
9:00 pm	Disaster Recovery Reception

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27\*

8:00 am	Registration
9:00 am	Educational Sessions (3)
9:30 am	Special Tour / Ron Clark Academy
10:15 am	Educational Sessions (3)
11:30 am	Educational Sessions (3)
11:30 am	LEsolutions award (mini presentation)
12:45 pm	Lunch on your own / Regional Meetings
2:00 pm	Educational Sessions (3)
2:00 pm	LEsolutions award (mini presentation)
3:15 pm	Educational Sessions (4)
4:30 pm	LEsolutions award (mini presentation)
4:30 pm	Educational Sessions (3)
6:30 pm	LEsolutions Market Reception Solution Provider Award SchoolsNEXT Awards

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28\*

7:30 am	Registration
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	Opening Session Fellow Recognition
9:00 am	General Session: Kyle Schwartz
10:15 am	Refreshment Break
10:30 am	Equity Panel Discussion
12:00 pm	Solution Provider Lunch
2:00 pm	Educational Sessions (6)
3:15 pm	Educational Sessions (7)
4:30 pm	Educational Sessions (6)
6:00 pm	Awards Program Lifetime Achievement LEsolutions Awards (featuring MacConnell)
6:45 pm	LEsolutions Market Reception

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29\*

7:30 am	Breakfast
8:00 am	Registration
8:30 am	Workshops (3)
10:30 am	Keynote Speaker: David Houle

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# DAILY SCHEDULE

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

8:00 am - 5:00 pm  
8:00 am - 11:00 am  
12:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Registration *Atrium Foyer*  
International Board Meeting *L508*

Learning Tours

Bus Transportation- Pick-up/Drop off will be on Courtland street driveway. Courtland street driveway is located on International level (bottom) level of the hotel.

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

ALEP Testing *L508*  
Opening Celebration *The Center for Civil and Human Rights*  
Advanced Academy Graduates  
ALEP Recognition

9:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Disaster Relief Reception *Atrium Foyer*  
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## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:00 am - 5:00 pm  
9:00 am - 10:00 am

Registration *Atrium Foyer*  
Educational Sessions (3)

- The Innovation Campus: Student-Driven Learning for the NEXT Century *A706*
- Creating a New Early Learning Environment? Learn how to navigate the design and construction of educational environments for Pre-K students *A601*
- The Power of Unlearning: Rethinking Education to Empower Modern Learners *A703*

9:30 am - 12:00 pm  
10:15 am - 11:15 am  
10:15 am - 11:15 am

Special Tour *Ron Clark Academy*  
Core Competencies of the ALEP *A602*  
Educational Sessions (3)

- Whole School Sustainability 101: Leading Green Schools for Vibrant Purposeful Learning *A706*
- Navigating History: Balancing Educational Needs, Project Budgets, and Heritage Within Historic Campuses *A601*
- Wholeness- The Key to Unlocking Innovation in Education *A703*

11:30 am - 12:30 pm  
11:30 am - 12:30 pm

LEsolution Planning & Design Award mini-sessions *A602*  
Educational Sessions (3)

- 9 Questions *A703*
- Outdoor Learning Environments: An Opportunity to Incorporate Authentic Local Elements and to Enhance their Potential with Community-School Collaboration *A601*
- Architecture for pedagogy and urban renewal: designing the future *A706*



# DAILY SCHEDULE continued...

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 continued...

12:45 pm - 1:45 pm

Lunch on your own

Regional Meetings

Midwest Great Lakes *A703*

Southeast *Pulse Lounge*

Northeast *A704*

Southern *A602*

Pacific Northwest *A601*

Southwest *A706*

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

LEsolution Planning & Design Award mini-sessions *A602*

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Educational Sessions (3)

- The Anatomy of a Successful Project: Exploring the Tension, Synergy and Symbiosis Among Architecture, Engineering and Educational Planning in the Design Process *A706*
- How to Make Learning Commons Really Work: A research based evaluation explores how to assure that a Learning Commons is really an effective learning environments *A601*
- Modern Instructional Mindsets, Modern Learning Spaces: When Learning Needs Drive Design Decisions *A703*

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

Educational Sessions (4)

- Transformational Strategies: Taking Existing Spaces into the 21st Century *A601*
- The Three P's...People, Pinterest and Programming: Planning a school for homeless children in Oklahoma City *A706*
- Responding to Disaster: Start Right to End Right *A703*
- Designing for Change - Hands and Mind *A602*

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

LEsolution Planning & Design Award mini-sessions *A602*

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Educational Sessions (3)

- Make a Difference: Design Schools to Benefit Learning *A706*
- The (un)Classroom: Environments that Support Personal & Immersive Learning *A703*
- STEM at the Elementary Level *A601*

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

LEsolutions Market Reception *LEsolutions Market*

Solution Provider Award

SchoolsNEXT Awards

Dare Dream Dance Junior Company

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Rae Ransom Coleman, Dance Director

Cici Kelley, Artistic Director, Founder

# DAILY SCHEDULE continued...

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

7:30 am - 5:00 pm

Registration *Atrium Foyer*

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Breakfast *LEsolutions Market*

8:30 am - 9:00 am

Opening Session *LEsolutions Market*

Fellow Recognition

9:00 am - 10:00 am

General Session: Kyle Schwartz *LEsolutions Market*

10:15 am - 10:30 am

Refreshment Break *LEsolutions Market*

10:30 am - 11:45 am

Equity Panel Discussion *LEsolutions Market*

12:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Solution Provider Lunch *LEsolutions Market*

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Educational Sessions (6)

- Classroom or Career: When you Get to a Fork in the Road, Take It *A706*
- Calculating School Capacity: Strategies for the New Generation of Learners *A601*
- Gaming the System *A704*
- Next Gen Technologies Worth Watching *A703*
- 21st Century Learning Acoustics *A705*
- SchoolsNEXT Changing the face of Education - Part 1 *A602*

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

Educational Sessions (7)

- The Critical Investment into Outdoor Education: An Investment too Valuable to Ignore *A602*
- IPD - The Red Deer Catholic Story *A704*
- A Revised Lesson Plan for Student Success *A601*
- Inspired By Design *A703*
- Pedagogy of Space: "The world in which our children live in and will move into is one that will continue to change." *A706*
- Designing for Learning Humans in the 21st Century *A705*
- Student Voice-Ever ask a student how to build a school? *LEsolutions Market*

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Educational Sessions (6)

- 3-in-1: Serving and Integrating Three Distinct Audiences and Purposes in a Single Building *A602*
- What can Public School Districts Learn About Facilities from For-Profit Providers? *A601*

# DAILY SCHEDULE continued...

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 continued...

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Educational Sessions - continued...

- Beyond Design Project Zero (DP0): How design thinking can jump start the creative process in planning for innovative learning environments **A704**
- Global Innovations in Place – Conducting an Educational and Facilities Master Plan for Boston Public Schools **A706**
- Transformative Microenvironments: Moving From Inspiration to Activation **A703**
- SchoolsNEXT Changing the face of Education - Part II **A705**

6:00 pm - 6:45 pm

Awards Program **LEsolutions Market**

Lifetime Achievement Award

LEsolutions Awards

featuring: James D. MacConnell Awards Presentation

6:45 pm - 8:00 pm

LEsolutions Market Reception **LEsolutions Market**

North Atlanta High School Jazz Ensemble

North Atlanta High School Center for the Arts, Atlanta, GA

Adam Brooks, Director

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Breakfast **LEsolutions Market**

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Registration **Atrium Foyer**

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Workshops (3)

- Parallels of CTE, PBL and STEM at Work in Education **A601**
- Doing More with Less **A703**
- Hacking the School Building: An Innovator's Guide to Future Ready Learning Environments **A704**

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Keynote Speaker: David Houle **LEsolutions Market**



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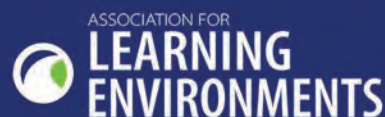


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# SESSION ABSTRACTS

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 9:00 am - 10:00 am**

## **The Innovation Campus: Student-Driven Learning for the NEXT Century**

Scott Krenner, AIA / Design Lead Associate / Cunningham

Jack Mousseau, AIA / Principal / MOA Architecture

Shawna Trujillo / Principal / Pathways Innovation Center/Roosevelt High School – Natrona School District

**Course Level:** Expert **Domains:** Learning, Context, Process **Room:** A706



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High school students in Casper, Wyoming, are directing their education and discovering opportunities for their future whether it's college or the workforce. Pathways Innovation Center came out of years of planning and concern by the community that graduates weren't adequately prepared for life after graduation. Career exploration is at the core of Pathways, and each of the four academies feature an innovation lab with state-of-the-art industrial equipment and technology, giving students hands-on real world experience in career fields and allowing them to virtually connect with industry experts around the world. The centerpiece of Pathways is a two-story, 5,000-square-foot fabrication hall that was inspired by Boeing Airlines' facilities in Redmond, Washington, and is intended to inspire collaboration across academy disciplines. Pathways resides on a 38-acre campus that is shared with Roosevelt High School, the district's alternative school, which follows a healthy mind.

### **Learning Objectives:**

- Understanding how the visioning process did not just inspire the design process but continues to influence, inspire and reshape how the educational learning is delivered at the facility.
- As an educator: obtain a greater understanding of the student-driven education model and that empowers students to create their own destiny and graduate with career readiness.
- Pathways Innovation Center represents a new model for collaboration and innovation that propels the technical education into a new orbit.
- As an educator: obtain a greater understanding of the student-driven education model that empowers students to create their own destiny and graduate with career readiness.

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## Creating a New Early Learning Environment? Learn how to navigate the design and construction of educational environments for Pre-K students

Melissa McFadgen / Architect / NAC Architecture

Barbara Sattler / Early Learning Program Director / Central Valley School District

**Course Level:** Expert    **Domains:** Context, Parameters, Process    **Room:** A601



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Are you thinking about renovating a building to create additional classrooms for preschool programs? Perhaps building an Early Learning Center from scratch? Join us for an open and inspiring discussion about transforming a vacant grocery store into a new, 25-classroom early learning center and alternative high school, the lessons learned along the way and the overall design and construction sequencing needed to avoid hurdles and delays. The current landscape for early childhood education is dynamic and difficult to navigate, with many agencies vying for input and minimal funding resources available for capital and operational management. Yet the data is irrefutable. Research continually reinforces the importance of investing in students early, with the maximum benefit gained when access to education is achieved before Kindergarten. Early intervention is the most predictable course to redirect a student's educational career and provide the groundwork for lifelong educational achievement. Washington State is seen as a national leader for funding and implementing Pre-K educational programs. While each state has unique jurisdictional and licensing requirements, the principals of high quality early learning design remain consistent across borders and tend to fall at the feet of school districts. With this ever-increasing pressure on school districts to provide early learning, creative options must be explored to ensure adequate space and funding is provided to support the early learning needs without negatively impacting the education of the traditional K-12 students. Whether you are considering a new or renovated center, this session will provide essential information to start the planning and development of an early learning environment to ensure future success for all of your community's early learners. It will share information on how two diverse programs, an alternate high school and early learning center, can blend programs and create a synergy beneficial to all students within the building and will demonstrate creative, flexible educational spaces that will serve these two unique programs today and for many future students.

### Learning Objectives:

- Gain knowledge on strategies used to collaborate with stakeholders at all ends of the design, educational and construction spectrum.
- Understand the primary differences between the design of an early learning center and an elementary school.
- Develop a proactive approach to early learning design to eliminate detours and delays.
- Provide lessons learned for the adaptive reuse of a grocery store into an educational facility.



# SESSION ABSTRACTS continued...

## The Power of Unlearning: Rethinking Education to Empower Modern Learners

Michelle Chavey, AIA, ALEP / Associate / Hollis + Miller Architects

Dr. Jamie Dial / Director of Secondary Education / Park Hill School District

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Learning, Context    **Room:** A703



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Our brains naturally take the path of least resistance when faced with challenge, using previous experiences to assess situations and move forward in a way that is familiar and safe. However, as we chart the course of a new approach for learning, we must unhinge the part of the brain that takes us down a safe and familiar route. Join us to take the first steps of ‘unlearning’ what have become the artifacts of education to create nimble curriculum and space for shifting generations. We’ll discuss real world application of these ideas by a district that is challenging what high school education means for Generation Z, designing well supported curriculum and innovative, non-traditional learning space. By challenging what school and learning looks like, feels like and how and where it is facilitated, we can focus on the bigger picture of empowering modern learners that can navigate a rapidly changing world.

### Learning Objectives:

- Participants will become familiar with brain based research and the opportunity for adults and students to ‘unlearn’ and create deeper learning experiences.
- Participants will gain knowledge on unique aspects of generational differences, including generation Z and how to respond with curriculum and environment.
- Participants will be exposed to a balanced approach of rethinking education - challenging paradigms while still existing in the current world of meeting standards requirements.
- Participants will see examples and discuss how a school district has created a new model of educating high school students that includes redesigned curriculum and challenges what space for learning looks and feels like.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 10:15 am - 11:15 am**

## Core Competencies of the ALEP

Speakers: The Commission: Robert Hendriks, Chair; Brian Carter; Mark French, Julia Hawkinson, Greg Monberg, Len Wright

**Room:** A602

This panel discussion will provide an overview of the ALEP designation and the core competencies for which it represents. The Commission will explain the process of accreditation and renewal, and outline the skills and knowledge one must demonstrate to earn the accreditation.

- Learn the history of the ALEP
- Understand the core competencies of the accreditation
- Discuss the value of ALEP
- Learn the goals of the Commission and how the accreditation will continue to evolve

# SESSION ABSTRACTS continued...

## Navigating History: Balancing Educational Needs, Project Budgets, and Heritage Within Historic Campuses

Keri Stevenson, AIA / Architect / Dekker/Perich/Sabatini

Julie Walleisa, AIA, ALEP, LEED AP BD+C / Principal, Architect / Dekker/Perich/Sabatini

**Course Level:** Intermediate **Domains:** Context, Parameters **Room:** A601



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It can be challenging to balance competing priorities when completing projects on historic campuses. An educational planner and an architect who focuses on historic preservation will use case studies to demonstrate how two different 100-year-old, multi-building campuses with distinctive architectural styles have navigated this challenge.

Strategies will be discussed for balancing historic integrity with a school's educational mission, addressing difficult demolition decisions, and working within public funding constraints, as well as how strategies may differ between new construction and renovation/addition projects and between eligible and listed properties.

### Learning Objectives:

- Participants will be able to describe the physical and financial challenges of adapting historic schools to modern educational system needs.
- Participants will be able to assess the appropriateness of different approaches for improving functionality while preserving historic integrity.
- Participants will be able to describe alternative methods for preserving heritage when it's not possible to preserve historic buildings or physical elements.
- Participants will be able to apply design principles that are appropriate for new construction, renovation, minor addition, and major addition projects within a historic campus setting.

## Wholeness- The Key to Unlocking Innovation in Education

Bill Latham, III ALEP / CEO / Meteor Education

Irene Nigaglioni, AIA, ALEP / IN2 Architecture

**Course Level:** Beginner **Domains:** Learning, Process **Room:** A703



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The state of well-being for staff and students has fallen on hard times indeed. The basics of learning require strong relationships between students, teachers, administrators, and communities. Innovative and effective school cultures do not emerge without high levels of staff engagement. But how do we get there and what is most critical to address now? Join the next round of thought leadership as we seek to transform learning experiences by hitting the roots 'well schools'.

# SESSION ABSTRACTS continued...

## Learning Objectives:

- Participants will be exposed to the current data on both staff and student wellness in schools, including major cited causality.
- Participants will examine major areas of action that contribute heavily to well schools . A taxonomy of schools will be reviewed to identify key attributes of successful ladder strategies.
- Participants will be presented with strategies associated with exemplar case studies and best practice in developing thriving cultures including the use of teaching alignment with space as a catalyst for change.
- Participants will be assigned a school scenario ranging across the taxonomy and be asked to consolidate their understanding of the primary issues the particular learning community likely faces regarding well being of student and staff.

## Whole School Sustainability 101: Leading Green Schools for Vibrant Purposeful Learning

Cynthia L. Uline / Professor / San Diego State University

Lisa A. W. Kensler / Associate Professor & Program Coordinator / Auburn University

**Course Level:** Intermediate **Domains:** Learning, Context **Room:** A706



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Are you curious about this new paradigm shift in education - whole school sustainability (WSS) practiced in green schools? In green schools across the world, school leaders utilize WSS as a practical pathway to redesigning their organizations, integrating democratic and ecological principles throughout all elements of school life including the design, management, and leadership of facilities, curriculum, and community partnerships. This session will provide practical tools and research-based evidence demonstrating that WSS is good for your budget, building occupants' health and well-being, our planet, and most of all, student learning.

## Learning Objectives:

- Participants will know the core concepts associated with WSS and green schools.
- Participants will discern the environmental, fiscal, health, well-being , and educational benefits of WSS.
- Participants will be able to access and use assessment tools for identifying current practices consistent with whole school sustainability.
- Participants will be able to assist school leaders in developing an action plan for cultivating WSS in their school and/or district.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 11:30 am - 12:30 pm**

## 9 Questions

Rose Fry / Consultant / Heartland Hill Super School Network

Allan Milbradt, Architect, REFP, / CEO / PBA Architects

Nick Salmon / Planner, Innovator / Collaborative Learning Network

**Course Level:** Intermediate **Domains:** Learning, Context, Process, Parameters, Toolbox **Room:** A703



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What are the nine questions you should be asking learners, teachers, parents, grandparents and community leaders? The Heartland Hills XQ Prize Team developed a series of questions to discover what is most relevant about the future of learning in rural and urban communities in America's Heartland. The questions that emerged from the XQ competition became the basis of an emerging and on-going podcast. The podcasts capture the insights of participants in traditional schools, Project Based Learning environments, and in the world of work and community beyond formal education.

Our proposed workshop shares the compelling stories from the podcasts; provides opportunities for participants to ask the same questions of one another and to share insights into how these questions can shape meaningful learning experiences around the world.

## Learning Objectives:

- Learn why discovering the voice of the community is critical to the success of effective learning environments.
- Learn how simple, essential questions can promote a deep understanding of the learning in the community.
- Learn what questions resonate with individuals and communities.
- Learn strategies you can implement in your next project.

## Outdoor Learning Environments: An Opportunity to Incorporate Authentic Local Elements and to Enhance their Potential with Community-School Collaboration

Linda Stevenin / Learning Environment Specialist, Senior Architect / Artik Art & Architecture

Noelani Hunt Sallings / President/CEO / Living Classroom

Jill Gould /Fulbright Fellow & Senior Lecturer Emerita Living Classroom /Santa Clara University

Vince Lattanzio / Principal / Carducci & Associates

**Course Level:** Beginner    **Domains:** Context Toolbox Learning Process / **Room:** A601



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We will share ways outdoor learning spaces (gardens, courtyards, classrooms) can reflect through student-driven projects cultural, natural, and historical elements of the local community as well as ways that compelling curriculum and community resources, such as the non-profit Living Classroom, enhance the learning potential of these areas. After sharing experiences and images of projects, we will facilitate an interactive experience to explore collaboratively ways in which these approaches can be adapted to other locations.

## Learning Objectives:

- Using specific local cultural and historical elements/references in the design of outdoor learning spaces.
- Collaborating with students in creative projects that enhance the design and vision of the school.
- Partnering with non-profit organizations to enhance the potential of outdoor learning spaces/classrooms.
- Increasing the health (and joy) of children through hands-on experiences in outdoor school gardens (learning about/growing/cooking and eating natural food).

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## Architecture for Pedagogy and Urban renewal: Designing the Future

Andrew Cortese / Partner / Grimshaw

**Course Level:** Expert **Domains:** Learning, Toolbox, Context **Room:** A706



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The integrated redevelopment of Arthur Phillip High School and Parramatta Public School is a paradigm setting education and urban renewal project for the state of New South Wales and Australia. At seventeen stories, it will be the state's first truly vertical high-rise school and a spatial prototype for future-focused learning pedagogies. The project is an instrument for learning, for community engagement and services, and which establishes a contiguous public realm within the CBD. It introduces a wholly new building typology; six unique stacked learning communities or 'homebases', designed from a repetitive spatial module and providing maximum flexibility and re-configurability. The design also incorporates formal and informal project based & STEAM learning spaces intersecting at base and middle and circumscribed by outdoor learning spaces. Its unique typology also prioritises environmental performance and sustainability within an expressed prefabricated steel frame and modular services. Our presentation will demonstrate how the building will also function as a piece of social infrastructure, servicing one of Sydney's most socially and ethnically diverse populations. In this way, it is a vital part of the urban renewal of Parramatta, offering an expansive, landscaped open space with retained heritage fabric and recreational, learning and hospitality facilities. Combined, these facilities will establish a new community of learning for the future.

### Learning Objectives:

- How vertical high schools contribute to urban renewal
- Embedding project based, future learning models within building design
- Understanding the 'homebase' building typology & flexible learning spaces
- Environmental performance & sustainability within vertical schools

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

## The Anatomy of a Successful Project: Exploring the Tension, Synergy and Symbiosis Among Architecture, Engineering and Educational Planning in the Design Process

Richard Moretti, Ed.D., ALEP, LEED AP / Educational Planner / StudioJAED Architects, Engineers, Facility Planners

Brian Zigmond, PE, CEM / Principal / StudioJAED Architects, Engineers, Facility Planners

Philip Conte, AIA, NCARB / Principal / StudioJAED Architects, Engineers, Facility Planners

**Course Level:** Intermediate **Domains:** Process, Toolbox **Room:** A706



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More often than not, learning environment planners work directly with end users without much direct interaction with architects and engineers on how their planning can be translated into educational space and properly conditioned. Without this interaction, there is a very real possibility that the end result will be less than ideal. Architecture, engineering and educational planning are obvious integral and interwoven components to any design project. How the tension, synergy, and symbiosis among them manifests in the design process and the eventual design is key to making that project successful in conveying the intent of the client. All too often the tension among them lessen the impact of a truly collaborative process where synergy and symbiosis are key operating parameters. This may result in learning space design that is not ideally supportive of teaching and learning. This workshop explores the tension among architecture, engineering, and educational planning emphasizing ways in which synergy and symbiosis can be achieved so as to produce the best end product. Actual practical examples of tensions, synergies, and symbioses will be explored as examples. Attendees will be asked to share similar experiences. An integration checklist will be shared that provides some tools of the trade to enhance synergy and symbiosis in project design while minimizing tension.

## **Learning Objectives:**

- Participants will understand that educational planners, architects, and engineers cannot work independently of each other in achieving the best outcomes in learning space design.
- Participants will be able to recognize the need for achieving synergy and symbiosis among architecture, engineering, and educational planning while eliminating, and perhaps taking advantage of, tension.
- Participants will be given real-world examples of problems that arise in a project due to lack of synergy and symbiosis among architecture, engineering and educational planning.
- Participants will leave with a checklist of tools of the trade to enhance synergy and symbiosis in project design while minimizing, and perhaps taking advantage of tension.

## **How to Make Learning Commons Really Work: A research based evaluation explores how to assure that a Learning Commons is really an effective learning environments**

Laura Wernick, FAIA / Principal / HMFH

Kristen Gallo / Principal / McAuliff Elementary School

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Learning, Context, Process    **Room:** A601



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In 2012, two identical K-5 elementary Schools opened up in Concord NH. Each school was designed around a revolutionary Learning Commons that spanned the length of the academic wing and allowed classrooms to open into project areas and other specialized learning spaces. This provided a rich opportunity for research into the effectiveness of these innovative schools. In 2016 a third party researcher went into the now four-year-old Concord Elementary Schools to ask the educators what worked and what did not work in the Learning Commons that were so integral to the design of the schools. Questions were asked to understand how the Learning Commons were being used and what were the opportunities and what were the barriers created by the Learning Commons. The results were surprising to the architects and to many of the educators and have serious implications for every designer of elementary educational facilities.



# SESSION ABSTRACTS continued...

## Learning Objectives:

- Understand the opportunities that a learning Commons presents for supporting new ways of teaching and learning.
- Understand how to design a learning commons to best support teaching and learning.
- Explore the impact of acoustics, thermal quality and lighting on students health and learning.
- Understand how to use a POE to improve architectural practice.

## Modern Instructional Mindsets, Modern Learning Spaces: When Learning Needs Drive Design Decisions

Catherine Saldutti / President / EduChange, Inc.

Robert Rhodes / Principal / Horace Greeley HS

**Course Level:** Expert    **Domains:** Learning, Process, Context    **Room:** A703



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Modern facilities are the new EdTech, and with the surge in renovations, new builds and STEAM/Maker spaces comes new questions about how this new technology does and does not support learning. Educational leaders and instructional designers are embarking on another exciting but largely uncharted journey with regards to modern learning spaces. Beyond the critical need to provide comfortable, ergonomic, aesthetic, naturally-lit and safe spaces is the need to support and enhance best-practice instruction. From the educators' perspective, the design of modern spaces also represents a change management initiative for the school community. We want teachers and students to make marked shifts in their practice to modernize learning; yet the space itself cannot achieve this end. This session explores the educators' perspective on learning environment design, including considerations for ways that architects can work better with educators to allow for evolving instructional practice over several years. Catherine Saldutti, President of EduChange, is an instructional designer joining a team of educational leaders from Chappaqua, NY to tell the story of a district-wide, multi-building modernization initiative. Both triumphs and barriers to successful collaboration will be shared.

## Learning Objectives:

- To understand some research-based instructional practices to be supported by modern learning spaces.
- To learn how these practices are operationalized in a space.
- To compare the timeline and process of modernizing spaces and modernizing teaching and learning across a district.
- To consider barriers to successful collaborations, and possibilities for improvement,

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**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 3:15pm - 4:15 pm**

## **Transformational Strategies: Taking Existing Spaces into the 21st Century**

Peggy Hoffmann, IIDA, LEED AP ID+C, REFP / Vice President / FGM Architects

Ron Richardson / Principal / FGM Architects

Dr. Lyndl Schuster / Assistant Superintendent for Business Services / Community HS District

Dr. Johnnie Thomas / Superintendent / Community High School District 155

**Course Level:** Intermediate **Domains:** Learning, Parameters, Content, Process, Toolbox **Room:** A601



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A leader from two districts supported by their architectural team will present strategies on how to transform small existing spaces into 21st Century learning environments that have a big impact within the school and community. The presentation will spotlight projects and address: how flexible learning environments support Universal Design for Learning, how to develop partnerships with local businesses and community members to support new curriculum, how to fund projects through donations from local businesses and charitable foundations, and why transforming the learning environment is necessary to support learn by doing curriculum. The panel will present how the concepts were developed and how the designs of the new learning environments support 21st Century learning. The panel will address questions from the audience.

### **Learning Objectives:**

- Understand how flexible learning environments support Universal Design for Learning.
- Understand how to develop partnerships with local business and community members to support new curriculum.
- Understand why transforming the learning environment is necessary to support learn by doing curriculum.
- Understand how to fund projects through donations from local businesses and charitable foundations - this isn't just for colleges and universities!

## **The Three P's...People, Pinterest and Programming: Planning a school for homeless children in Oklahoma City**

Gary Armbruster, AIA, ALEP / Principal Architect, Partner / MA+ Architecture

Amy Brewer, M.Ed / Director of Education / Positive Tomorrows

**Course Level:** Intermediate **Domains:** Process, Context, Learning **Room:** A706



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How do you have public involvement for a school where the children are homeless and in many cases their parents aren't very involved? Find out how we had to step out of our normal programming and planning comfort zone to design a facility that the children, the faculty and the community could be proud of. In this program we will explore how we met with the students, faculty and staff to get their ideas for the new school and our use of Pinterest as a programming tool.



# SESSION ABSTRACTS continued...

## Learning Objectives:

- Learn how to reach out and program a school for homeless children.
- Learn how to use Pinterest as a programming tool and how to organize the information for large groups to understand.
- Learn how to communicate with a homeless school community to gain their ideas.
- Learn various techniques to get design ideas from PK-5th grade students.

## Responding to Disaster: Start Right to End Right

Jim Brady, FAIA, ALEP / Associate Principal / Page Southerland Inc.

Irene Nigaglioni, AIA, ALEP / IN2 Architecture

Chris Pellegrin, AIA / Principal / CSRS Inc.

Lona Hankins / Director of Capital Improvements / Recovery School District

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Process    **Room:** A703



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This session will share the many critical steps school districts must take to successfully recover in the aftermath of a hurricane like Harvey and Irma or other natural disasters. These best practices are based on the presenters' experiences in assisting school districts recover from the devastation caused by Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Isaac and the Great Floods of 2016 in Louisiana. A4LE's volunteer group of professionals assisted school districts in Louisiana during the aftermath of Katrina and Rita. This experience led to the creation of a guide to assist districts prepare for and recover from devastation caused by a catastrophic event. They will share best practices for dealing with items like: Procurement of Services, Documentation, Facilities Assessments, Facility Planning for Recovery and Resilience, FEMA forms and paperwork.

## Learning Objectives:

- Attendees will leave the session better equipped to prepare for future disasters.
- Attendees will learn the best practices for disaster recovery immediately after it happens.
- Attendees will learn how to navigate the long recovery ahead successfully.
- Attendees will leave the session with a roadmap to recovery.

## Designing for Change - Hands and Mind

Jonathan Matta, Vice President, Education Markets - KI

**Course Level:** Expert    **Domains:** Process -- Toolbox -- Learning    **Room:** A602



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Designing for authentic change can be challenging. We face constraints; lots of them. From lack of funding to fixed physical structures, the challenges can be overwhelming. In this workshop, we sprint, using design thinking, through an experiential immersion in how to design for change, using first our minds, and then, our hands (making).

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## Learning Objectives:

- Learn how to frame an expedition at the onset by way of warm up activities that encourage creative confidence and ideation absent of constraints.
- Learn to synthesize, and make sense, of human centered ideas.
- Work collaboratively with your workshop design team to establish design drivers that will inform how a physical learning space is designed.
- Design a prototypical learning space, using 3D modeling, that reflects the human centered design drivers you and your team created .

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27** 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

## Make a Difference: Design Schools to Benefit Learning

Aaron Jobson, AIA, ALEP / Principal / Quattrocchi Kwok Architects

Irene Nigaglioni, AIA, ALEP / IN2 Architecture

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Process, Toolbox    **Room:** A706



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How can you improve student achievement by up to 16% without changes to pedagogy, teachers, curriculum or students? The answer is through well designed school facilities. This workshop will review current research from the University of Salford in Manchester, UK, Harvard University, and others that reveal clear evidence that the physical characteristics of a classroom impacts learning, and furthermore, that a link exists between well designed school facilities and increased academic achievement. The workshop panel, representing leaders from A4LE, the Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS) and the AIA Committee on Architecture for Education (AIA CAE), will discuss how this research can be applied to school designs through the use of the CHPS Criteria. Lastly, attendees will receive recommendations on how to apply the findings to real world examples through an interactive Design Thinking exercise, as well as gain an understanding on how to utilize the Design Thinking methodology to successfully work with diverse groups to develop innovative design solutions in their own schools and communities.

## Learning Objectives:

- Understand how classroom design directly impacts the physical environment and academic performance.
- Explore the current research supporting the link between school design and student performance.
- Find out the specific classroom physical features proven to improve students' academic performance.
- Take away practical ideas for educators and designers to apply these principles to their own spaces and building projects.

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## The (un)Classroom: Environments that Support Personal & Immersive Learning

Karina Ruiz, AIA, LEED AP BD+C / Principal / BRIC Architects, Inc.

Dr. Heather Beck / Superintendent / Lake Oswego School District

David Johnson / Senior Associate, Project Designer / DOWA-IBI Group Architects, Inc.

**Course Level:** Beginner    **Domains:** Learning, Toolbox    **Room:** A703



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It is no longer the future that requires a shift in how we teach and learn, it is the present. For over 100 years, the classrooms in our schools have remain largely unchanged. It's time we begin to move towards the (un) Classroom. Students of the future will be distinctly different from those of yesterday or today. They will embark on unique educational journeys based on their interests, goals, and abilities. They will develop critical, core competencies as a result of highly personalized and immersive learning experiences. The development of these critical, core competencies; thinking, creating, and communicating requires students to engage in and explore a wide variety of highly connected learning activities. These pedagogical developments demand a new design. Individual study spaces, studios, seminar spaces, gathering areas, stages, and exhibition areas will be used by students based on their particular interests, personalities, and needs. Each student will follow a unique path enhanced by the variety of spaces provided in their (un)classroom environment. Shaped by ideas developed for the XQ Challenge to ReThink High School, the (un)Classroom explores how today's architects and educational leaders can work together to create spaces that act as a complement to teaching and learning in revolutionary ways. Join us as we explore together how these ideas can shape your practice, your schools and the future of learning as we know it.

### Learning Objectives:

- Participants will learn the core competencies of the Next Generation Learner.
- Participants will understand how design & the design thinking process can become catalysts for change.
- Participants will be given tools to implement changes to their classroom designs, at all budget levels, to better support learning.
- Participants will learn from exemplar learning environments that showcase these design ideas.

## STEM at the Elementary Level

Rebecca Baibak, AIA, LEED AP, REFP / Principal / Integrus Architecture

Kyle McLeod / Project Manager / Bellevue School District

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Learning, Parameters    **Room:** A601



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Many school districts are exploring ways to incorporate STEM at the elementary school level, re-imagining design solutions typically employed at the middle and high school level. The Bellevue School District in Washington State is integrating STEM at the elementary level and has developed several distinct approaches to responding to the curriculum within their facilities. Enatai Elementary School is the first modernized facility to reflect these curriculum goals in the design. This session explores the inspiration for this shift in curriculum and approaches that can be considered in supporting hands on learning at the elementary level.



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## Learning Objectives:

- Understand the basis of STEAM curricula and how it varies between elementary, middle and high school levels.
- Review ways in which the learning is enhanced through carefully planned facilities, that leverage existing and new elements on a site and in a building to best support learning.
- Discuss how it was applied in the Belleuve School District and what opportunities may be applied at other sites.
- Explore relevant concepts as a group that can inspire the attendees.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28** 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

## Classroom or Career: When you Get to a Fork in the Road, Take It

Glenn Gollenberg, AIA / Practice Leader Public Education / SLAM Collaborative

Neil O'Leary / Mayor / City of Waterbury

Douglas Rogers

Amy Christmas / Senior Associate / SLAM Collaborative

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Learning, Process, Toolbox    **Room:** A706

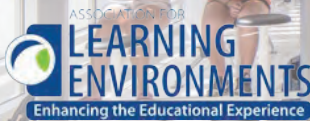


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In response to the globalization of the economy and the push toward developing innovative problem-solvers with a background in STEM, education has derived from the post-war industrial arts programs and has created robust experiential learning environments that engage students in a host of simulated settings. This session will examine differences in the visioning/planning/design process of an inter-district themed magnet school, the CREC Public Safety Academy in comparison to themed city schools such as Waterbury Career Academy High School resulting in dynamic learning spaces supporting both the themed and core curricula. Today, themed high schools not only prepare students to be qualified applicants for local employers, but to choose between starting a career and continuing to post-secondary education. As we better understand the different learner styles, educational delivery methods including flipped classrooms, project- and team-based learning evolve. This study will demonstrate how innovative academic spaces including classrooms, shops, and labs engage all students in various subjects. SLAM's Amy Christmas and Glenn Gollenberg, AIA, alongside Waterbury Mayor O'Leary and Gregg Blackstone of CREC Public Safety Academy will examine the visioning, programming, planning and design processes of these institutions in further detail while demonstrating outcomes. SLAM's architectural response to the need for students who can work and learn in a challenging and collaborative setting has fostered two distinct graduation paths: work experience to enter the competitive workforce after graduation and engagement to be better prepared to decide a path for higher education.

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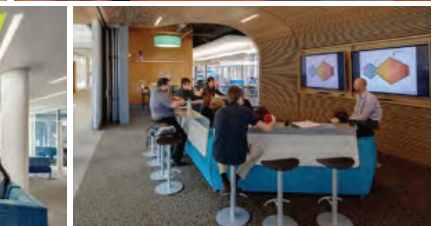
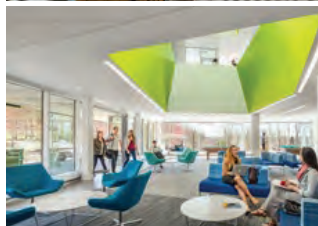
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## Learning Objectives:

- Experience the relationship between teaching methodology and learning environments in both classroom and simulated environments.
- Recognize how learning spaces can foster innovation in teaching and improved learning outcomes for all learner types.
- Discuss outcomes and lessons learned from case studies of city and inter-district themed schools.
- Engage local business and industry to help round out the themed curriculum.

## Calculating School Capacity: Strategies for the New Generation of Learners

Amy Yurko, AIA / Educational Planner / BrainSpaces

Kelley Tanner / Educational Planner / BrainSpaces | Connexions

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Process, Parameters    **Room:** A601



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How big should a school building be to effectively serve its mission? One clear methodology for calculating the student capacity of k-12 school facilities does not exist. Architects and planners often struggle to provide facilities that will truly support the number of students and range of programs required by today's standards and expectations. One thing is for sure: it is no longer simply a count of classrooms. In this session, you will see a variety of state and local mechanisms for determining school size and student capacity for elementary, middle and high schools. We will explore various ways unique programs and schedules can be accommodated within these mechanisms. We will demystify various definitions of commonly used terms such as efficiency, utilization factor and teaching station. Most importantly, we will use actual case-studies to illustrate student capacity calculation models that allow architects and planners to accurately account for the enrollment of a given school accounting for unique student needs, programs, schedules and intended operational strategies. Through small group exercises, we will develop meaningful translations of various rules-of-thumb into strategies of real schools for real students with real needs.

## Learning Objectives:

- Attendees will review and compare various District-wide and State-wide and methodologies for calculating student capacity of K-12 school facilities.
- Attendees will learn clear definitions of key terminology used by federal, state and local entities to describe student enrollment and school capacity.
- Attendees will create and discuss various strategies for translating big-picture guidelines for school capacity and size into meaningful directives for planning individual schools that meet the unique needs of their communities.
- Attendees will see and use various case studies illustrating capacity.



# SESSION ABSTRACTS continued...

## Gaming the System

Garrett Burtner, AIA / Principal Architect / McCool Carlson Green Architects

Evelyn Rousso, AIA / Senior Architect / McCool Carlson Green Architects

**Course Level:** Beginner    **Domains:** Learning, Context, Toolbox    **Room:** A704



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We all play games. Games are engaging, social, exciting, competitive, puzzling and educational. Sometimes we play to avoid our work and responsibilities. However, the stickiness of game play is also frequently leveraged by educators to engage learners. Digital or analog, individual or multiplayer, almost any content or activity can be gamified. This session will give an overview of some of the more compelling game-based curriculums in use today. Using images and video clips of educators and learners in action, we will explore why gaming is trending in education and what the implications are for the design of learning environments. Attendees will engage in a small group activity applying game thinking to the layout of a learning studio.

15 Min - Introduction to game-based learning

15 Min - Exciting gamified curriculums and the schools applying them

20 Min - Small group activity - Environments for (Rigorous) Playful Learning

10 Min - Report out and Discussion

### Learning Objectives:

- To gain an understanding of Game-Based Learning concepts and practices.
- To understand how Game-Based Learning is being applied in current curriculums.
- To consider how school and classroom design can support Game-Based Learning.
- To explore how the process of design itself may be gamified to improve outcomes for learning environments.

## Next Gen Technologies Worth Watching

Corrie Hood / Associate / PBK Architects

Tania Caudill / Project Coordinator / PBK Architects

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Toolbox, Learning    **Room:** A703



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Today's students must be ready to take on careers of the future. This requires students be capable of anticipating and adapting to new technologies as they become common in the workforce. Our goal is deciphering how students achieve this technology literacy, while creating a better platform for both teachers and students to engage with emerging innovations in the classroom. Classroom tools are quickly changing from physical books of the past to current real time information (RTI) of the moment. These spaces encourage and engage collaborative, competent, project-based learning that students need now. We're interested in the technology innovations that will enhance this learning environment; from coding literacy to digital equity to virtual reality. This session will cover the most vital of these emerging technologies, how students will use it, and the best means of implementation within our educational environments.



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## Learning Objectives:

- Recognize emerging technologies relevant to education.
- Understand how these technologies will affect teachers and students.
- Incorporate technology innovations into the built environment.
- Engage educators with teaching spaces most useful for fulfilling 21st century pedagogies.

## 21st Century Learning Acoustics

Steve Meszaros / Acoustical Technical Director / RWDI

**Course Level:** Intermediate **Domains:** Toolbox, Process **Room:** A705



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Learning in the 21st Century is filled with exciting new technological developments and the many new challenges that come with it. With technology changes, schools are adapting to provide the right spaces for learning in this new environment. Acoustics is a vital part in school design as it can degrade or enhance the experience. With an obvious desire to enhance communication, both in person and through distance audio/video systems or recordings, well designed acoustics are a key part in making these communications a success. We will discuss the three main subjects in school design: reducing distraction, enhancing communication, and creating a calm environment. These are controlled with good sound isolation, room acoustic treatment and noise control of mechanical systems. We will discuss how to incorporate these items into any learning environment project and how their value in terms of performance versus cost can help in the design value decision-making process.

## Learning Objectives:

- Learn about what acoustic controls do and how they work.
- Learn how to incorporate acoustics early in the planning and design process.
- Understand what acoustic elements are critical to education facility design.
- Understand consequences of value design with respect to acoustics.

## SchoolsNEXT - Changing the Face of Education Part I

Gulliver Academy Middle School, Miami, FL

Lakeridge Junior High School, Lake Oswego, OR

McAuliffe International School, Denver, CO

**Course Level:** Beginner / Intermediate **Domains:** Process, Learning, Context, Toolbox **Room:** A602



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With their articulate division of labor, comprehensive planning process and exemplary teamwork, the students take a leap into the future. Their eco-friendly solutions not only meet the needs of students, but address the economy and society of the future. Guided by a STEAM curriculum, SchoolsNEXT teams are enabled, engaged and empowered to master the skills they need to take on the challenges of a world defined by change.

From a circular building surrounding a “forest” in the middle replete with treehouse science rooms, using nature aesthetically as part of the design cycle, to employing solar panels as bus shelters, focusing on sustainable technologies such as wind turbines, base isolators, natural ventilation, green roofs, pollinator-friendly plants, community gardens and future earthquake resilience, the students envision a future that will indeed change the face of education.

## Learning Objectives

- Understand the importance of energy conservation using net-zero energy and other sustainable strategies as a means of preserving the environments, adding to community resources and addressing the effects of climate change.
- Discover how connecting excellence in planning and design reflecting community needs and environmental resources results in excellence in education and serves as an economic engine developing vital and resilient communities.
- Learn how class structure and different learning modalities influence the design of the physical environment.
- Explore a true student-centered, sustainable learning community where growth, free will and connection to nature informed the design.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm**

## The Critical Investment into Outdoor Education: An Investment too Valuable to Ignore

Terry Hoyle, AIA / Principal / Stantec

Tim McClure, AIA, NCARB / Facilities, Planning & Construction / Northwest ISD

Scott Layne, ALEP / Deputy Superintendent, Chief Operating Officer / Dallas ISD

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Process, Learning, Context    **Room:** A602



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Outdoor education has long been an area where educators have introduced the sciences to students at an early age. Students have typically gone on day trips or overnight camps to explore the wonder the outdoors has to offer. While this is an opportunity for some, for most school systems this has either never been practical or is becoming more difficult with growing populations and related costs. A case study of two outdoor learning centers will address how districts can meet and go beyond the normal expectations for outdoor learning.

## **Learning Objectives:**

- Participants will be able to compare costs to sending their kids to camp versus operating an outdoor learning center.
- Participants will be able to envision the opportunities possible when running your own outdoor education center.
- Participants will begin to imagine how to partner with others to make an outdoor learning center a reality.
- Participants will see how physical improvements to their center can add value to their programs.

## **IPD - The Red Deer Catholic Story**

Ken Jaeger / Supervisor of Support Services / Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools

**Course Level:** Expert **Domains:** Process, Context, Toolbox **Room:** A704



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Told from an owner's perspective, this engaging narrative session will take an in-depth look at the application of IPD (Integrated Project Delivery) on St. Joseph High School and St. Gregory the Great Catholic School. As the first publicly funded IPD project in Alberta, these two projects were delivered under one contract with architects, contractors, consultants, trades and owner representatives contributing to the IPD team. Starting with a brief overview of IPD, this presentation will focus on Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools' experience with this highly collaborative delivery model and highlight the lessons learned on the project. From design through to construction, participants will gain a thorough understanding of the challenges and opportunities inherent to the IPD process and the application of integrated design and construction techniques. Ultimately, an IPD model allowed the team to deliver this project at a reduced cost while improving quality, schedule, and educational outcomes for students.

## **Learning Objectives:**

- What IPD is?
- How IPD works?
- How IPD can bring value to projects?
- Things to consider when selecting an IPD team.

## **A Revised Lesson Plan for Student Success**

Lisa Raney / Regional Education Leader / Steelcase Education

John Poelker, AIA, LEED AP BD+C / Associate Principal / Perkins & Will

**Course Level:** Beginner **Domains:** Learning **Room:** A601



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How can we support the whole learner - cognitively, emotionally, physically and socially? Today's students face an ever-complex, ever-shifting landscape of knowledge, and their success extends beyond the mastery of rote facts. Yet research shows that engagement declines as students move through their high school and postsecondary educations. Further, only 36% of hiring professionals feel that colleges and universities are preparing students for the outside world as the gap between traditional and evolving views of student success continues to widen. This session will share insights from Steelcase Education research and design work from Perkins+Will to illustrate the immense opportunity to rethink how we ready students for a more creative economy and an evolving future – while supporting their diverse backgrounds, skills, hopes and dreams. In this session, we will examine the tensions students encounter and ways the built environment can help students think better, feel better and be healthier. This session will explore how a connected system of active learning spaces can contribute to a high-impact student success strategy.

## Learning Objectives:

- Understand macro issues that impact student engagement and workforce readiness.
- Learn ways in which learning institutions can broaden the definition of student success.
- See how this knowledge can be applied in a micro-way across the built environment.
- Explore design opportunities to create a connected system of active learning spaces that support diverse learning styles.

## Inspired By Design

Boris Srdar, FAIA, LEED AP / Principal Architect / NAC Architecture

Lauren Scranton / Knowledge & Innovation Leader / NAC Architecture

Laura Kazmierczak / Designer / NAC Architecture

**Course Level:** Expert    **Domains:** Learning    **Room:** A703



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In recent years, we have made great advances in designing our schools to serve as teaching tools and to provide flexible spaces that foster project based learning. With such a strong focus on helping progressive pedagogies, have we put aside or neglected the ability of architecture to simply create inspiring spaces to elicit the curiosity and wonder ultimately needed for true learning and growing? Susan Cain's book 'Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Can't Stop Talking' emphatically reveals important needs of up to a half of population who are introverts, clearly presenting an added challenge to our school designs to successfully address needs of all the students. By combining five specific biophilic principles we can create experientially supportive spaces, address the needs of all students and staff, and create even more thoughtful learning environments. Visual connection and nonvisual connection with nature offer multiple appeals to our senses while helping to restore focus and concentration. Careful implementation of prospect and refuge principles can increase a students' sense of security while creating an experientially rich and varied spatial environment that is supportive to extroverts and introverts alike. A healthy sense of mystery, created through well planned spatial discovery, can motivate curiosity and discovery as users move through the school on a daily basis. The presentation will highlight research findings of the benefits of biophilia in addressing a variety of human emotions and their influence in the learning environment. Analysis will explain both international and domestic examples that have explored these principals in school architecture.



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## Learning Objectives:

- Attendees will understand the psychological needs of the introverts and how they relate to educational needs.
- Presentation will illuminate research finding of 5 biophilic principles and their impact on our behavior.
- Attendees will learn about the ways we can approach progressive educational philosophy in the way that is inspiring to the students of all learning predispositions.
- Review of notable international and domestic school examples will inform the attendees how biophilic principles can help to address needs of all students and staff, introverts and extroverts alike, and contribute to an inspiring learning environment for all.

## Pedagogy of Space: “The world in which our children live in and will move into is one that will continue to change.”

John Nagel / Supervisor / Punahou School

David A Stubbs II / President / Cultural Shift

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Process, Learning, Context, Toolbox    **Room:** A706



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Relying on over 20 years of experience and data from educational observations, in the fall of 2012, David A. Stubbs II demonstrated for the first time an educational furniture ‘system’ that has changed the landscape of educational environments. However, the research and understanding of the pedagogy of the next generation of space had only just begun. In the past five years, David has come to understand and respect the fact that in order to effectively create change, that we ALL must work differently. If we truly desire change, we may no longer be able to rely on tried and proven concepts. We need to first understand the ‘Why’ of a specific community, comprehend the ‘Who’ and only then begin to create the ‘How’ and the ‘What’ with all stakeholders. In his work, David has had the opportunity to work with extremely talented and passionate school leaders, but none more successful in demonstrating change than Punahou School in Waikiki, Hawaii. The intent of this workshop is for the audience to experience Punahou’s journey in the creation of change as well as to hear how the relationships of form and function or physical and instructional have blended to create environments that are extremely adaptable. Punahou clearly understands that every student’s journey looks entirely different. Each student has their own individual personalities, their own learning profiles. Students arrive very curious and they don’t want that curiosity to go away. In their structures, teachers are more like a mentor than a teacher teaching at the podium and giving information to the students. What they have discovered is that students really take control of their own learning, but it’s truly the space that actually permits both the student and the teacher to become highly successful. Punahou empowers students to take control of their own learning not only instructionally, but it’s also the space that is going to facilitate their own learning and growth. The studios really are based on a pedagogical mindset that learning doesn’t take place in a classroom as we once thought of it, that learning takes place in all different areas. They understand that no one learns in exactly the same way; therefore they provided space that accommodates all the needs of different learners as well as understanding that in order to really personalize learning, we need to be able to be flexible, flexibility of not only our curriculum, but our space, our teachers...everything. The vision of education to which Punahou is moving makes collaboration, innovation and growth imperative as opposed to desirable.

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## Learning Objectives:

- Participants will begin to consider space and most importantly the tools within learning environments as an opportunity to rethink how we deliver professional development and  $\pm$ permite teaching and learning.
- Participants will be aware of examples of disruptive design techniques and facilitation opportunities to acquire valuable information when constructing the next generations of facilities.
- Participants should begin to consider creating multi-functional spaces that permit flexibility, agility as well as professional development supporting resources and tools that support in lieu of restrict creativity and innovation.
- Attendees will begin to understand The “Why” to change educational environments as well as observe successful examples of change not only in physical space but in pedagogy.

## Designing for Learning Humans in the 21st Century

Grace O'Shea / room2learn

Jane Zhang / Education Specialist / room2learn

**Course Level:** Beginner **Domains:** Process, Learning **Room:** A705



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There's a growing gap between the design intents and user experiences in architecture, particularly in the design of learning spaces. For a long time, schools have been designed to maximize efficiency of rote, static learning models. Learning models have shifted toward active and individualized experiences. We need to update our design processes. During this session, architects will embody a day in the life of a student and teacher in order to create a user centered learning space. This dynamic session will involve role-playing and rapid prototyping in interdisciplinary teams. Leave equipped with a set of tools to better engage your clients.

## Learning Objectives:

- Empathize with users in educational spaces
- Practice rapid ideating and prototyping in diverse teams
- Learn a quick and easy-to-implement process to facilitate client engagement
- Gain access to an online community of fellow learning space designers

## Student Voice- Ever asked a Student how to build a school?

**Course Level:** Beginner **Domains:** Process, Learning **Room:** LEsolutions Market



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We envision a world where all students have a voice in the decisions that affect their lives on a daily basis. In this two part session attendees will gain valuable insight directly from current students on a panel about the education spaces they use on a daily basis. Beginning with a short presentation by Student Voice, students will discuss their favorite spaces used across the country, whether in their own schools or in their dream schools at all education levels.

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The second part of the session will feature a panel of students moderated by Student Voice, with both guided questions and time for questions from attendees. The panel will discuss topics such as what they like and dislike about their current school, how students use spaces, features they would like to see in their school, the influences of collaborative spaces on their learning and more. Join Student Voice for a riveting panel of students sharing their voice and learn how you can involve student voices in your very own design process.

## About Student Voice

Student Voice is a completely student-run, non-partisan, not-for-profit organization inspired by the premise that all students should have a voice in the decisions that affect their lives. Student Voice strengthens the student movement for equitable schools by amplifying, aggregating and accelerating student voices. For more information about Student Voice, visit [StuVoice.org](http://StuVoice.org), like our page on Facebook or follow us on Twitter @Stu\_Voice.

## Learning Objectives:

- Learn about type of learning spaces that students enjoy.
- Learn about the way students use learning spaces.
- Learn about what students would like to see in their learning spaces.
- Learn about the importance of cooperation and hands on practice for learning.

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

### 3-in-1: Serving and Integrating Three Distinct Audiences and Purposes in a Single Building

Duane Cash / Project Manager / ACI Boland Architects

Dr. Kenny Southwick / Deputy Superintendent / Shawnee Mission School District

Michael Kautz / Principal / ACI Boland Architects

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Context, Learning, Process, Parameters, Toolbox    **Room:** A602



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The Shawnee Mission School District Center for Academic Achievement intertwines spaces for education, administration and community in one building — a new approach that creates a unique learning environment and strengthens connections between three distinct but interrelated groups. The facility's architects and school district leaders will guide you through the fresh approach, detailing a flexible, integrated layout that encourages the beneficial, organic interactions that broaden perspectives and create learning opportunities. They'll also share the space planning efficiencies they found in the new building, reducing administrative square footage from 500,000 across five buildings to just 131,000 in the new facility.

The presenters will share how this innovative facility benefits all three audiences it serves: Integration benefits to students:

- Advanced and technical programs are now available to all district high schoolers, not just honor students or students from a specific school.
- Students in various programs can collaborate in new and valuable ways; for instance, biotech and culinary can collaborate on food safety.

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- Students gain experience within a professional business environment, readying them more effectively for life beyond school. Integration benefits to administrators: Administrators — now under one roof — share goals and ideas more effectively, increasing organizational efficiency and building a strong and collaborative culture.
- Administrators connect more directly with the kids they are working every day to support, providing inspiration and perspective. Integration benefits to the community: Community members have access to much needed meeting space for a wide range of organizations, and walking paths adjacent to a golf course and park. Community members get a new perspective on the ingenuity of students and the commitment of administrators and educators.

The facility was built sustainably, with multiple recycled, reused and recyclable elements. It also provides a healthful working environment, with a Health Clinic, Wellness Center, walking trails, natural daylighting, underfloor air distribution and vertical garden walls. The building's flexibility and adaptability future-proofs the facility for shifting and emerging needs; raised floors, open ceilings with cable trays and demountable walls make it easier to meet new space needs without renovation.

## Learning Objectives:

- Participants will be able to evaluate if the 3-in-1 approach is an appropriate solution for a school district's facility needs.
- Participants will be able to quantify design approaches that encourage collaboration and beneficial organic interactions that support the learning environment.
- Participants will be able to outline sustainable and wellness-oriented elements that contribute to a healthful learning environment.
- Participants will be able to develop a checklist of future-proofed elements that make a learning environment more flexible and adaptable to shifting and emerging needs.

## What can Public School Districts Learn About Facilities from For-Profit Providers?

Julie Walleisa, AIA, ALEP, LEED AP BD+C / Principal Architect / Dekker/Perich/Sabatini

Scott Sowinski, AIA, ALEP, LEED AP BD+C / Associate Architect / Dekker/Perich/Sabatini

**Course Level:** Beginner    **Domains:** Toolbox, Context, Process    **Room:** A601



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Given increasing costs, decreasing funding, and rapidly evolving educational technology and pedagogy, should public school districts question the traditional model of complete campuses of durable, 50 year buildings? How can charter/for-profit and private business strategies like limited physical facilities, building for shorter lifespans and frequent changes, occupying vacant commercial space, and creating distributed campuses be adapted to meet public school needs, budgets, and procedures? This session will explore pros and cons of multiple innovative strategies.



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## Learning Objectives:

- Participants will be able to perform master planning and site selection exercises that focus on efficient land use, and cost effective reuse and building adaptation that has positive influences on capital operation budgets. (HSW-Urban Planning, Urban Ecology, Master Planning, Pre-Design, Site-Selection, Land Use Analysis)
- Participants will be able to identify branding and marketing strategies that are affective in driving public interest.
- Participants will be able to assess interior and building design strategies that promote social wellbeing, and attract and retain teachers, administration and student body. (HWS-Social Wellbeing, Occupant Comfort, Design)
- Participants will be able to identify and implement materials and methods selections that focus on lean process and adaptability of spaces that react to current market trends. (HSW-Materials & Methods)

## Beyond Design Project Zero (DP0): How design thinking can jump start the creative process in planning for innovative learning environments

Gregory Monberg, AIA, MBA, LEED AP, BD+C, ALEP / Director of Architecture / Wightman & Associates Inc.

Paul Hartsig / Superintendent / Dowagiac Union Schools

J. Scott Winchester, AIA / Project Manager Tribal Liaison / Seven Generations Architecture & Engineering

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Process, Toolbox, Learning    **Room:** A704



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This session will require active participation from the attendees in understanding, identifying, and applying design thinking techniques. The session will highlight how design thinking has been applied to learning environments by both educators and learning environment planners. Case studies of how these techniques improved collaboration and creativity will be discussed and demonstrated.

## Learning Objectives:

- Describe what Design Thinking is and how it is being used in education.
- Identify Design Thinking techniques used to increase collaboration and creativity.
- Understand how to integrate Design Thinking into visioning for educational design projects.
- Understand how Design Thinking techniques can aid in compressed project schedules.

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## Global Innovations in Place – Conducting an Educational and Facilities Master Plan for Boston Public Schools

Alex Pitkin, AIA, / Director of Institutional Practice Studios / SMMA

Philip J. Poinelli, FAIA, ALEP, LEED AP / Educational Facility Planner / SMMA

Kate Jessup, RA, ALEP / Architect / SMMA

**Course Level:** Expert    **Domains:** Toolbox, Context, Parameters    **Room:** A706



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The City of Boston has 128 schools serving 57,000 student. There are 24 different grade configurations spread across the 128 schools. The smallest school is 9,000 sf and the largest is 918,000 sf. 84 schools or 65% were constructed prior to World War II. Eleven school buildings date from the 19th Century. Conducting an Educational and Facilities Master Plan for this wide range of facilities was an enormous undertaking. We conducted both physical assessments and educational facility effectiveness reviews for all schools. Our scope included: Educational Visioning including grade reconfiguration; educational delivery discussions; the building and educational assessments noted above; demographic projections; financial options for achieving the Master Plan and an approach for developing building models (options) for future determination. What was innovative and globally applicative is that rather than developing a report book, that would likely have been feet thick (that's a lot of surface area to collect dust) SMMA proposed to develop a web-based 'dashboard' accessible to the community as well as Boston Public Schools and the City. This dashboard is now operational and available to all. The very significant data base developed to record all of the data is in simple to use EXCEL and now in the hands of the client to be a working tool as the district upgrades schools and systems. The versatility of the dashboard allows to every school to be accessed from a simple At a Glance approach to in-depth data. Schools can be filtered by school typology, grade configuration, era built, neighborhood, and many other ways. Better yet, click here and see for yourself, [www.buildbps.org](http://www.buildbps.org). In addition to the presenters, client interviews will be imbedded in the presentation. Presenters will demonstrate the system and discuss how it can be customized to meet other client needs.

### Learning Objectives:

- How to organize the information gathering and reporting for 128 schools.
- How a dashboard report out system can make the process accessible and transparent to the community and a useful tool for the owner for years to come.
- What needs to happen to realize the Superintendents goals of: Equity, Coherence and Innovation.
- How to evaluate learning spaces and schools for environmental factors that can significantly impact the ability of students to engage, actively attend school and learn.

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## Transformative Microenvironments: Moving From Inspiration to Activation

Page Dettmann, Ph.D / Chief Education Evangelist / Meteor Education

Brandon Hillman, ALEP / Meteor Education

Melissa Cantrell, AIA, LEED AP / Principal / CDH Partners

Joshua Williams, PMP, CCM / Chief Operating Officer / DeKalb County School District

**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Process, Context, Toolbox    **Room:** A703



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Master planning sets the course for many years. But building conditions, while important, fall far short of painting a holistic picture of the educational adequacy of a facility. This session will focus on how to bring supportive macro and microenvironments into a district as part of a truly comprehensive Master Planning process reflective of desired student learning experiences and outcomes. Participants will journey in real time, through a VR experience, into districts to see the inspiration and activation of their bold microenvironment initiatives.

### Learning Objectives:

- Participants will be briefed on the impact of a Master Planning process that intentionally includes a thoughtful macro and micro environment strategy designed around desired instructional goals as part of an overall program.
- Participants will be introduced to the case study of DeKalb School District and review the critical process steps that have been followed to prepare for their roll out of the desired Experiences to Environments initiative. While a specific example - these principles transcend any particular geography.
- Participants will be exposed to some of the core deliverables that are helpful in moving a client from being inspired to transforming the school culture and environments and to activating their decisions within the community.
- Participants will be encouraged to interact, immerse, question, and truly visit pilot programs through VR- see the progress and talk with district visionaries who are bringing the reality to their community.

## SchoolsNEXT - Changing the Face of Education Part II

Hudson Bend Middle School, Austin, TX

Frederick County Career & Technology Center, Frederick, MD

**Course Level:** Beginner / Intermediate    **Domains:** Process, Learning, Context, Toolbox    **Room:** A705



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Education has been around for over 2,000 years...as the face of education around the world continues to evolve to better prepare students to succeed, educators strive to enhance learning opportunities that extend beyond the classroom, providing real-world learning experiences and opportunities for students to ask questions and problem solve. Who knows better than the students who spend most of their waking hours in schools as to what their learning environments should offer and how they should look?

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With great insight on how challenging it is to design something for the future when you are living in the present building, students push the envelope and utilize futuristic technologies such as textile/fabric collectors of solar energy and people movers in the main arteries of their school. Skin barcodes holographic zones for testing, and solar panels on campus drives are part of their future. Learn how students transformed a 1974 year old learning community stagnant in the pursuit of education into a exemplary 21st century center for learning.

## **Learning Objectives:**

- Explore how the shift in learning from lecture driven classrooms to collaborative, project based learning informs design.
- Learn how good indoor environmental quality, natural lighting, energy efficient buildings and evolving technology positively affect student health and well-being and foster student success.
- Discover the emotional impact of architecture and green technologies and how students are learning to take care of the world they live in.
- Consider how concepts such as critical thinking, collaboration and problem-solving skills became the foundation of 21st century educational design.



# WORKSHOPABSTRACTS

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29** 8:30 am - 10:30 am

## Doing More with Less

Derek Labrecque, AIA, LEED AP, DB+C / Partner / JK ARCHITECTURE ENGINEERING

Aaron Jobson, AIA, ALEP / Principal / Quattrocchi Kwok Architects

Dr. Frank Locker, REFP / Frank Locker Educational Planning

Nick Salmon, REFP / Planner, Innovator / Collaborative Learning Network

**Course Level:** Expert **Domains:** Context, Learning, Process, Parameters, Toolbox **Room:** A703



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As natural and fiscal resources become more scarce, and social and political networks become fractured, the need to develop strategies for doing more with less become critical to creating learning environments where teachers and learners can thrive. Participants who register for this session are invited to send brief descriptions of real world challenges to the session organizers prior to October 1, 2017. Session organizers will choose the 10 most compelling challenges and harness the collective wisdom of workshop participants to work on viable responses to each of those challenges. Challenges are likely to include: Working with rising expectations and shrinking budgets Help! Inflation ate 25% of my budget! Making 90-year old schools relevant for the 21st century and beyond We can't afford to staff a relationship-based middle school, so we run a content-based junior high Overcoming challenges of integrating community partners into our facilities Workshop organizers will share brief presentations, effective design prototype concepts, educational strategies and divergent thinking focused on current research. The majority of the workshop will be conducted in a design studio competition format with an emphasis on numerous iterations, time for reflection and feedback. Participants will head home not only with real strategies that can be implemented, but a network of critical friends ready to offer follow-up support. This session captures the spirit of the Association and makes our collective learning visible to each another.

### Learning Objectives:

- Learn why doing more with less has become a necessity in the 21st century
- Learn how doing more with less can benefit teaching, learning and community relationships
- Identify barriers common to creating effective learning environments
- Learn strategies you can implement upon your return to your community

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# WORKSHOP **ABSTRACTS** continued...

## Hacking the School Building: An Innovator's Guide to Future Ready Learning Environments

Sam Johnson, AIA, REFP, LEED AP / director of PK-12 Design Group / BLDD Architects, Inc

Dr. Dan Cox / Superintendent of Schools / Charles City School District

Ryan Rahmiller / Teacher / Charles City Middle School

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**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Process, Toolbox, Learning, Process    **Room:** A704



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Why aren't they using it the way we designed it? It's the question we are too embarrassed to ask. Research tells us that students learn differently. Educational leaders from across the globe teach us that learning must be made relevant, active, and engaging. Teachers tell us learning activities and strategies are changing. Architects are taught from day one that form follows function.....and we know if function is changing, so should design solutions. So we explore new solutions, we develop new concepts. We come to the A4LE conference to see all of the wonderful things happening across the world, and get fired up to create similar learning environments. So when we are puzzled by things we see in brand new buildings, we ask: why is the collaboration commons closed? Why has the science teacher moved all of his storage in front of the movable glass wall? Why aren't they using it the way it was designed? Could it be that the traditional design process has the wrong people driving the school DESIGN bus? Shouldn't teachers and students be the real drivers? Is it possible that architects are old fashioned.....holding on to an antiquated process because we like being the leader? When architects lead and advocate for space and how they should be used, aren't we implying that teachers should be doing things differently, and in the process, marginalizing everything that teachers know to be good about how they do what they do? That's the lesson suggested by the Charles City Iowa Middle School project. The district wanted to be a pioneering school district, leading the discussion on national best practices for educational programs and facilities. The design process followed a different path. This process hacked the school building by prototyping learning environments that were then tested by teachers and students. The process wasn't perfect, but the results suggest it's the right approach for the future. The pioneering Superintendent and two teachers join the architect and discuss life in a Middle school without classrooms in rural America, how it came to be, changes in student outcomes, and how a smarter process of invention is key to sustainable, functional, future ready learning environments.

### Learning Objectives:

- Attendees will learn how to use the hacking or prototyping process to invent innovative learning environments.
- Attendees will gain a greater understanding of the educator's perspective going through the design process.
- Attendees will learn procedures that move teachers from passive approver to active designer of learning environment solutions.
- Attendees will learn a framework for measuring the effectiveness of a proposed design concept.

# WORKSHOPABSTRACTS continued...

## Parallels of CTE, PBL and STEM at Work in Education

Robert Bell, AIA, ALEP, CPTED, LEED BD+C / Principal / Perkins Eastman Architects DPC

David Stephen / President / New Vista Design

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**Course Level:** Intermediate    **Domains:** Learning, Context, Process, Toolbox    **Room:** A601



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Once thought of as obsolescent, Career and Technical Education (CTE) is experiencing a resurgence in the 21st Century. And, in contrast to the general perception of CTE as exclusively a direct pathway to employment, over 75% of students served by these schools in Massachusetts, as an example, are headed to post-secondary education. Evidence shows that students excel in settings that emphasize Project-Based Learning (PBL) and offer a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)-infused curriculum and, that the skills learned in CTE programs help students become life-long learners. Participants will explore how these parallel pedagogies were envisioned, prioritized and planned into the Essex Technical High School, a level-1 high performing school in Massachusetts, creating a flexible and collaborative environment that encourages student success. The school features an innovative hybrid program derived from the combination of a technical school and an agricultural school that were merged into a single new school of themed academies. The school offers professional-quality, hands-on learning environments that encourage students to become active participants in their education and incorporates a number of inventive strategies for day to day and long term flexibility and adaptability. Attendees will take part in a workshop-style format that will be used to examine 21st Century Learning Skills, engage participants in developing CTE Learning Goals and align them with Design Patterns that will be prioritized. We will observe the group's work and compare the priorities with those that were identified in the Visioning and Planning of Essex Tech.

### Learning Objectives:

- Identify the increasing skills and competencies that are demanded of students entering the 21st Century work force and the types of planning and design solutions that can help foster these proficiencies.
- Understand how educational goals can substantially shape design, including concepts for Small Learning Communities, Collaborative Clusters, Interdisciplinary Teaching/Learning and Distributed Dining.
- Participants will discover many layers and attributes of flexibility that can be built into designs, including overall planning strategies and accommodations for varied teaching modes and groupings and classroom adaptability.
- Participants will also learn about the challenges of combining (or changing) school cultures and programs into a new school dynamic and the importance of the visioning and programming process to build consensus on educational priorities.

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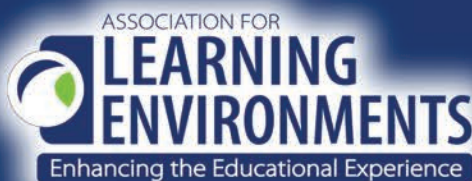


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# LEARNING TOURS

## Tour 1 – North Atlanta Track

**North Atlanta High School**  
**Atlanta Public Schools, Atlanta, GA**

**Architect: Cooper Carry**



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The new North Atlanta High School is designed to accommodate 2,350 students in what previously had been a 56-acre IBM Corporate Campus. The adaptive re-use design includes an 11-story concrete-framed office tower that spans over a scenic lake, an assembly building and a 942-car parking deck. In order to maintain the site's beautiful, dramatic terrain, the existing, on-grade parking lots were converted into athletic venues for baseball, softball, football, tennis and track.



The functional space needs of a high school are quite different from those of a corporate campus; however, the existing office tower was well suited to provide primary classroom, administration and food service space. The top eight-floors contain four small learning communities that are each housed on two floors. Each learning community was designed with a large double-level public space that includes a dramatic, connecting staircase. These focal spaces create a place for students to connect, hang out and identify as their own space. In addition, from a student's perspective, each of these learning communities breakdown the size of the school into a space that each student can connect with.

The project presented a particular challenge of efficiently moving 2,350 students throughout the 11-story tower and ensuring that students arrived to class on time. Cooper Carry devised a floor access system where staff and those with disabilities have access to every floor while students are only granted elevator access to the top floor of each academy and other public floors. As a result, students are encouraged to use the stairs in their own community, minimizing the number of elevator stops. A third set of stairs was added to the center of the tower for safety and convenience. Drawing on Cooper Carry's experience designing high-rise hotels and office buildings, the design team replaced the traditional, outdated elevators with state-of-the-art destination elevators found in newer high-rise hotels and offices. This high tech system directs users to specific elevator cars, transporting them to the same floors and thus reducing the load time in half.

An additional assembly building constructed adjacent to the tower includes large, high-volume spaces with special acoustic needs and accommodates a 600-seat auditorium, a 150-seat black box theater, music rooms and a 2,100-seat competition gymnasium with practice gym. A 'Main Street' design approach was used to connect the two main buildings and parking facility.

# LEARNINGTOURS<sub>continued...</sub>

Cooper Carry provided Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Interior Design and Graphic Design Services with Collins Cooper Carusi Architects, Inc. & Paul Cheeks Architects, LLC.

[Check out the news stories written about the new school](#)

## Awards

- Association for Learning Environments Georgia Chapter, Best in Renovation Design Award
- CMAA South Atlantic Chapter Project Achievement Awards, First Place New Construction, Less than \$100M
- Urban Land Institute Atlanta Awards for Excellence
- ENR Southeast, Best K-12 Project Award, 2014
- American Concrete Institute, Outstanding Achievement Award
- American Council of Engineering Companies of Georgia (ACEC Georgia), 2015 Engineering Excellence Award, Grand Prize



## **Mountain View Elementary** **Cobb County Schools, Marietta, GA** **Architect: Stevens & Wilkinson Architects**



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Fostering innovation and enthusiasm for learning, Stevens & Wilkinson incorporated leading technologies and emerging trends in sustainability in designing Mountain View Elementary School. The 1% Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, adopted in 2013, provided funding for the \$23.4 million replacement facility.

Located on a 16- acre site on Sandy Plains Road, this project is a new 144,000 SF, two-level elementary school facility that replaces the existing Mountain View Elementary School. The facility includes 53 Kindergarten through 5th grade classrooms, cafeteria & kitchen, gymnasium, media center, two computer labs, two art labs & two music labs. The site also includes parking for 155 cars, queuing for 19 buses, playfield with track, two playgrounds and two playcourts.

The Learning Commons is a hub of information and creative learning at Mountain View. In addition to the traditional library of books, the Learning Commons hosts a library of instructional videos and computer materials, including online referencing. With the Learning Commons model, students are afforded many opportunities to work independently, in small groups, and in whole groups using a large variety of technology. Students participate in extension lessons with the media specialist in STEM and cross curricular activities that encourage hands on learning and use of technology. The Learning Commons promotes independent and collaborative learning through the maker-space, collaboration station, independent study rooms, a production studio and whole grade level lessons – as well as a comfortable place to read a book!

# LEARNING TOURS continued...

## Tour 2 – Eastern Atlanta Track

**Chamblee Charter High School**  
**DeKalb County School District, Chamblee, GA**  
**Architect: Perkins+Will**



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Chamblee High School is a 287,000 square foot, four-story classroom building that serves 1500 students in the DeKalb County School District. Academic spaces include science and technology laboratories, art and music spaces, a media center, administrative offices, a cafeteria, a stage kitchen and outdoor gathering areas. Both the classroom building, and the adjacent two-story gymnasium are steel structures with storefront, brick, precast and stucco exterior.



**Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science and Technology**  
**Gwinnett County Schools, Lawrenceville, GA**  
**Architect: HGBD Architects**



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The Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science and Technology is a 360,000 sf charter high school for Gwinnett County Schools designed by HGBD Architects. The facility is high tech educational space with an orchestra hall, sound rooms, twelve university level science laboratories, choral room, TV production, media center, and several lecture halls. The project included demolition of 110,000 SF in the interior of the old Benefield Elementary School and a 5-story, 250,000 SF new building. The new tower connects to the existing school and spans to the Maxwell High School building which is located on the adjacent site. The site work included underground retention made up of 3,500 LF of 12 foot diameter piping which is located under the north parking lot. Due to Maxwell High School being in operation during the construction of the new facility, staging of the site was a priority to ensure that the bus traffic and flow of students and teachers was not interrupted. The renovation portion of the project revealed many unknowns which required diligent teamwork between the contractor, owner, and architect to provide prompt, economical solutions. The 5-story building is a steel structure with CMU walls. The exterior construction of the building consist of brick, cast stone, curtain wall and storefront glass. Sustainable elements of the construction process included the use of energy recovery units, waterless urinals, an energy management system, energy efficient lighting and the reuse of an existing building.





# LEARNINGTOURS continued...

## Tour 3 – South Atlanta Track

**Benjamin E. Mays High School**  
**Atlanta Public Schools, Atlanta, GA**  
**Architect: Perkins+Will**



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Encircled by a stand of towering deciduous trees, Benjamin E. Mays High School keeps a low profile, despite having been home to such notable alumni as visual artist Radcliffe Bailey and musician Cee Lo Green, and currently being the largest school serving grades nine through 12 in the Atlanta Public Schools (APS). When it was built in 1981, the 310,000-square-foot concrete-and-brick structure was a bunker of a school: low ceilings and winding, windowless corridors made for dark and uninviting interior spaces. It lurked on its hilly site, high above a middle-class African-American suburb.

As part of Atlanta Public Schools high school transformation program, the 340,000 square-foot Benjamin E. Mays High School has been completely renovated to house four new career-based academies.

Benjamin E. Mays High School demonstrates how an aged, worn school building can be transformed into a modern learning facility that the community, teachers and students can be proud of. Mays is an example of how adapting and renovating the existing school can be as effective as completely demolishing and building a new building. This facility is transformational for the Mays community and has been accomplished at a much lower financial and environmental cost than building a whole new school.



**Fulton Schools College and Career Academy**  
**Fulton County Schools, Atlanta, GA**

**Architect: Gardner, Spencer, Tench, Jarbeau**



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The Fulton Schools College and Career Academy was designed to provide learning opportunities that simulate real-world industry education. Career Pathways engage students in cutting-edge, grade-appropriate career exploration and preparation opportunities, laying the groundwork for success in post-secondary education and careers.



# LEARNING TOURS continued...

The Career Pathways offered include Audio/Video; Film, Digital Media and Animation; World-Based Learning, Teaching as a Profession, Culinary Arts; Construction; and Aviation. Partnering with local business partners and post-secondary institutions, each pathway includes apprenticeships, job shadowing, skills showcases, industry-related travel, student-led businesses, student leadership competitions, film festivals and executive banquets both in and out of the State of Georgia.

Students complete a pathway in one year and have an opportunity to acquire industry certifications, college admissions and credits, as well as internships and on-the-job training in real industry occupations!

Gardner, Spencer, Tench, Jarbeau's unique design inspires and engages students in an environment that fosters challenge, inquiry, and high levels of academic and professional growth.



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# LEARNING TOURS continued...

## Tour 4 – Carter Library



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The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum provides a unique experience for the visitor. Through immersive exhibitions of objects, documents, and photographs, videos, and beautiful gifts from world leaders, visitors can get a close-up view of the modern American Presidency.

Highlights include a life-size replica of the [Oval Office](#), a dramatic “Day in the Life of the President” presentation on 13 ft. screens, a walk-through cabin setting for the crucial Camp David Meetings exhibition, and an Interactive Map Table that takes you with the Carters to monitor elections and fight diseases. The Presidential Library is nestled between two lakes on 30 acres of park land and provides a tranquil setting with a view of the Atlanta skyline. Changing exhibits are drawn from the library and museum collection or are based on themes relating to the presidency and American history.



## Special Tour -Ron Clark Academy

Friday, October 27, 2017, 9:30 am – 12:00 pm



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The Ron Clark Academy is a non-profit middle school, housed in a renovated red brick warehouse located in southeast Atlanta – but this is not your Daddy’s schoolhouse! The students represent various socio-economic and academic backgrounds and communities from across the metro region. The Academy is a demonstration school, engaging visiting educators from across the world in a vibrant professional development experience.

You will see classrooms often transformed into a beach, Mt. Olympus, a poetry coffeehouse or a mountain retreat. Students have experienced thunderstorms, an Italian restaurant, a hospital emergency room, a colonial village, and life on a fictitious planet without ever leaving the classroom! While required curriculum reinforces academic rigor, learning is an adventure at the Ron Clark Academy.



# SCHOOLSNEXT



With the intent to bring the student voice into the planning and design of exceptional learning environments, SchoolsNEXT teams from across the globe demonstrate their passion in rethinking the requisites of tomorrow's 21st century learning environments, reaching beyond the school walls and developing solutions to global design challenges that inspire transformation in education.

Their desire to make a difference in the world is remarkable and humbling. Challenged to plan and design resilient learning spaces that provide real world learning experiences fostering innovation, critical thinking and collaboration, enabling the students to master the skills they need to take on the challenges of a world defined by change.

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The comprehensive program of study is grounded in the key knowledge and skills central to the sound planning, building and maintaining of learner-centered school facilities. Each course addresses one phase of the capital project, while the complete program emphasizes a collaborative process that engages all stakeholders. Participants will be introduced to a learner-centered approach to school facility planning, provoking thought and prompting educational leaders, planners, designers and construction managers to give careful consideration to the educational, developmental, psychological and social needs of learners.

It is the intent of The Association and this program, to define a process and promote successful practices that result in learning environments that support the students, teachers, and community. Upon successful completion of the full program, participants will have gained critical insight that expands their sphere of knowledge of quality learning environments, quality education, and increased student achievement.



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### **Caulfield Grammar School**

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### **Hazel Wolf: E-STEM K-8 School**

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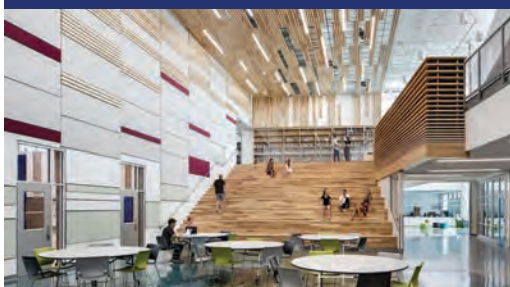




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## Planning and Design Award Winners

### Project of Distinction



**Pathways Innovation Center (PIC)  
Roosevelt High School**  
Casper, WY  
Cunningham Group in partnership  
with MOA Architecture  
Submittal

### New Learning Environment



**Northwood Elementary School**  
Mercer Island School District  
Mercer Island, WA  
Mahlum Architects  
Submittal

### New Learning Environment



**Lee Magnet High School**  
East Baton Rouge Parish School System  
East Baton Rouge, LA  
DLR Group Architecture in partnership  
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### Post-Secondary



**Kansas City University for  
Medicine and Bioscience**  
Joplin Campus  
Joplin, MO  
Gould Evans, Architects  
Submittal

## Planning and Design Award Winners

### Renovation / Addition



**Jordan Middle School**  
Jordan Public School District  
Jordan, MN  
DLR Group Architecture  
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### Small Project



**Monarch School Launch Pointe**  
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### Exceptional Planning



**High Plains School**  
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This award is designed to honor an individual who has distinguished themselves by making significant lasting contributions to the educational facility planning industry throughout their career. Winners of this award receive a special insignia lapel pin and extensive media coverage to the educational facility planning and construction industry.

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