



# 2020 State Education Conference

February 13-14, 2020

Maner Conference Center  
1717 S.W. Topeka Blvd.  
Topeka, Kansas

## Kansas Exemplary Educators Network Mission

*...to build and utilize a network of exemplary educators who are leaders in the improvement of schools, student performance, and the teaching profession.*

## Conference Theme

Plug In: Charge Up!

## Conference Objectives

Educators will:

- Learn from top professional educators who are engaged in innovative practices and programs that focus on the health and well-being of educators and the profession and on the four principles of school redesign: social-emotional growth, personalized learning, community partnerships and real-world application.
- Network with other exceptional professional educators to exchange best practices and share innovative resources for the classroom.
- Participate in a community conversation.
- Celebrate the teaching profession by recognizing the 2019 Milken Educator, 2019 National Board Certified Teachers, 2020 Kansas Horizon Award Educators and Kansas Teachers of Promise.

*Kansas leads the world in the success of each student.*

## Thursday Agenda

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Thursday, Feb. 13 TIME/LOCATION	SESSION
10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. Shawnee Foyer	Conference Registration
11:30 a.m.–1:10 p.m. Sunflower Ballroom	<p><b>OPENING GENERAL SESSION</b></p> <p>11:30 a.m.–12:10 p.m. Conference Welcome and Lunch Denise Kahler, Director Communications and Recognition Programs Kansas State Department of Education</p> <p>12:10–1:10 p.m. <b>Keynote General Session</b> Jeff Charbonneau 2013 Washington Teacher of the Year</p>
1:10–1:30 p.m.	Break
1:30–2:30 p.m.	<p><b>CONCURRENT SHARE SESSIONS A – F</b></p> <p>A. <b>Calling All Classroom Curators!</b> · Becca Burnfin, Garden City USD 457</p> <p>B. <b>Mending the Cracks in Our Cups</b> · Mary T. Williams, Jefferson West USD 340</p> <p>C. <b>Adventurers, Explorers and Scientists, Oh My!</b> · Jennifer Keller, Shannon Vieyra and Carla Goertzen, Buhler USD 313, and virtual presenter Joe Grabowski, St. John Catholic School, Guelph, Ontario, Canada</p> <p>D. <b>Caring for Yourself While Giving 110% Every Day</b> · Chelle Leininger, Hugoton USD 210</p> <p>E. <b>Making Magical Memories: Tips and Tricks to Help Create Fascination and Focus</b> · Dr. Brent Wolf, Derby USD 260</p> <p>F. <b>eXtreme STEAM Edu</b> · Erica Shook, McPherson USD 418, and Dyane Smokorowski, Andover USD 385</p>
2:30–2:50 p.m.	Networking Break

Thursday, Feb. 13 TIME/LOCATION	SESSION
2:50-3:50 pm.	<p><b>CONCURRENT SHARE SESSIONS G – L</b></p> <p>G. <b>Creative Journal: A Tool to Help with Anxiety</b>            · Carmen Zeisler, Education Services and Staff Development Association of Central Kansas (ESSDACK)</p> <p>H. <b>Isn't that the School Counselor's Job?</b>            · Maret Schrader, Jefferson West USD 340</p> <p>I. <b>What's Old is New Again</b>            · Jennifer Farr, Geary County USD 475</p> <p>J. <b>The Pace of Grace</b>            · Katie Perez, Education Services and Staff Development Association of Central Kansas (ESSDACK)</p> <p>K. <b>Restorative Circles</b>            · Cindy Couchman, Buhler USD 313</p> <p>L. <b>Let's Move It, Move It</b>            · Lan Huynh and Todd Junker, Wichita USD 259</p>
3:50-4:10 p.m.	<p><b>Networking Break</b></p>
4:10-5:10 p.m.	<p><b>CONCURRENT SHARE SESSIONS M – R</b></p> <p>M. <b>More Than Outside the Box: Creativity in the Classroom Re-imagined</b>            · Sharon Kuchinski, Leavenworth USD 453, and Jennifer Brown, Geary County USD 475</p> <p>N. <b>Using Models for Authentic Formative Assessments to Maintain Engagement and Support Learning</b>            · Erica Huggard, Emporia USD 253</p> <p>O. <b>Reflective Teaching</b>            · Helen Windhorst (retired), Kansas City USD 500</p> <p>P. <b>Charging Station</b>            · Kansas State Department of Education</p> <p>Q. <b>Discovering the Teacher Leader in You</b>            · Dyane Smokorowski and Amanda Young, Andover USD 385</p> <p>R. <b>Electrify Student Interest and Engagement</b>            · Megan Nagel and Gail Pryce, Newton USD 373, and Beth Koehn and Rachel McClaran, Valley Center USD 262</p>

## Friday Agenda

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Friday, Feb. 14 TIME/LOCATION	SESSION
7:00–8:15 a.m. Shawnee Foyer	<b>Breakfast Buffet</b>
8:30–11:45 a.m. Shawnee	<b>A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION</b>
12:00–2 p.m. Sunflower Ballroom	<b>LUNCHEON AND AWARDS PROGRAM</b> Honoring the 2019 Milken Educator, 2019 National Board Certified Teachers, 2020 Kansas Horizon Award Educators and Kansas Teachers of Promise

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