

# CONNECTICUT ADMINISTRATORS LEADERSHIP RETREAT

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## BREAKOUT SESSION #1 OPTIONS

### **BEST PRACTICES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE REIMAGINED EDUCATOR EVALUATION SYSTEM**

**JONATHAN P. COSTA, SR. - ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, EDADVANCE**

**Description:** Jonathan Costa will facilitate a discussion regarding the implications and likely best practices that will emerge from an application of the newly developed guidelines for educator and administrator evaluation. These new frameworks will shift the focus of educator and administrator supervision to growth-oriented mindsets and emphasize timely and effective feedback as the primary tool for improving teaching and leadership practice. Jonathan will share best practice models and answer questions regarding the roll-out of the new educator and administrator guidelines.

### **SETTING BOUNDARIES: A TOOL FOR SUSTAINABILITY AND ENGAGEMENT**

**BRANDI LUST - TEACHER, WRITER, AND SPEAKER**

**Description:** As those who serve communities, boundaries are necessary; when we don't honor them, our resources are quickly worn away by the words, actions, and circumstances of others. We are less engaged. We are prone to burnout. However, honoring the space we need for ourselves enhances rejuvenation; we are engaged for the work that matters to us. In this session, learn healthy boundary-setting tools that you can implement in your professional and personal life immediately.

### **USING THE TECH IN YOUR POCKET**

**LAUREN BASSELLINI, EDUCATION LEADERSHIP EXECUTIVE, APPLE**

**Description:** Leaders are faced with many challenges today, and technology can be an important part of the solutions. So many leaders use an iPhone every day. What if they learned to leverage the built in power of the device to help them enhance their leadership skills? In this session, leaders will learn how to amplify walkthrough experiences, capture and promote success stories, inspire faculty, and focus on self care all with built in features of the iPhone. Leaders will walk away with practical strategies they can immediately implement into their daily leadership practices.

### **TECH + SEL= ENGAGED & INNOVATIVE LEARNERS**

**JENNIFER WARGIN, TEACHER & JEANA LIETZ, PRINCIPAL - OAK LAWN COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL, OAK LAWN, IL  
CONNECTICUT APPLE DISTINGUISHED EDUCATOR, JOAN MCGETTIGAN, DARIEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**Description:** Teaching social and emotional learning and encouraging students to be technically innovative do not have to be mutually exclusive. Building leaders will talk about how a focus on SEL has made their staff and students MORE innovative and connected to their learning. Learn how to engage your students by amping up the social and emotional learning in your classroom using both the CASEL and ISTE standards. We will share examples of successful lesson and unit plans and provide the tools to help you create your own, while focusing your building on growing their SEL capacity. We will also share how a Wellness Center can support your school's focus on SEL, how to use tech to connect more and how to inspire students to express themselves through creativity.

### **CREATING A COMMUNITY OF CARE THROUGH INTERSCHOOL STUDENT ATHLETE COLLABORATION**

**EASTERN CT CONFERENCE STUDENT LEADERS, ATHLETIC DIRECTORS, TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS**

**Description:** In this breakout session, attendees will learn how the Eastern Connecticut Conference (ECC) brought student-athletes from multiple schools together to develop expectations and actions that have enhanced inclusion throughout the conference. ECC student leaders, athletic directors, teachers and administrators will provide attendees with actionable steps that promote equity, diversity, and inclusion across multiple school communities.