



2026 Spring Conference



TOGETHER WE GROW TOGETHER WE BUILD

Pre-Conference April 7th

APRIL | 8-10th | 2026

CONFERENCE AT-A-GLANCE

Tuesday, April 7th: Pre-Conference 8:30-4:40

9:00-12:00 HOW TO CONDUCT AN INTERNAL RISK ASSESSMENT

CAL LOPEZ, TEA

NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AND STAKEHOLDERS

JAIME HUERTA, TEA & ESC 14

1:30-4:30 MONITORING SELECTION AND PREPARATION

MATT LASHLEE, TEA

GRANT APPLICATION INFORMATION

CHRISTINA VILLAREAL, TEA

Wednesday, April 8th

8:30-10:00 WELCOME AND KEYNOTE - *MELANIE CHARLESTON*

LAW UPDATES

10:00-10:30 BREAK - VISIT VENDORS

10:30-12:00 TEA FEATURE SESSIONS

TITLE I, TITLE IV, FISCAL MONITORING, AND RISK ASSESSMENT

STATE INITIATIVE SESSIONS - LEA/ESC SESSIONS

12:00-1:30 LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:30-3:00 TEA FEATURE SESSIONS

TITLE I, TITLE II, TITLE III, TITLE IV, MKV, FISCAL MONITORING AND RISK ASSESSMENT

STATE INITIATIVE SESSIONS - LEA/ESC SESSIONS

REGIONAL MEETINGS WITH CORY GREEN AND NICK DAVIS

3:00-3:30 BREAK - VISIT VENDORS

3:30-5:00 **REPEAT 1:30-3:00 OPTIONS**

5:00-6:30 **GROWING TOGETHER: ACET WELCOME RECEPTION**





CONFERENCE AT-A-GLANCE

Thursday, April 9th

- 8:30-10:00 WELCOME AND KEYNOTE - **TODD NESLONEY**
MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER
- 10:00-10:30 BREAK - VISIT VENDORS
- 10:30-12:00 TEA FEATURE SESSIONS
TITLE II, TITLE III, TITLE IV, MKV, PNP, AND FISCAL COMPLIANCE
STATE INITIATIVE SESSIONS - LEA/ESC SESSIONS
- 12:00-1:30 LUNCH ON YOUR OWN
- 1:30-3:00 TEA FEATURE SESSIONS
TITLE II, TITLE III, TITLE IV, PNP, AND FISCAL COMPLIANCE
STATE INITIATIVE SESSIONS - LEA/ESC SESSIONS
REGIONAL MEETINGS WITH CORY GREEN AND NICK DAVIS
- 3:00-3:30 BREAK - VISIT VENDORS
- 3:30-5:00 **REPEAT 1:30-3:00 OPTIONS**



Friday, April 10th

- 8:30-9:15 WELCOME - VOTING RESULTS - AWARDS - NATIONALLY DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS
- 9:30-12:30 GENERAL SESSION - TEA UPDATES
CORY GREEN - ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER AND CHIEF GRANTS OFFICER
NICK DAVIS - MANAGING DIRECTOR AND ASSISTANT CHIEF GRANT OFFICER



POTENTIAL SESSION TOPICS

- TITLE I-A
- TITLE II-A
- TITLE III
- TITLE IV-A
- FISCAL GRANT MANAGEMENT
- PPE
- MIGRANT
- COMPENSATORY ED
- PUBLIC POLICY & LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
- SCHOOL CLIMATE & CULTURE
- STATE SPECIAL ALLOTMENTS
- PERKINS-CTE

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