

The 2020 Virtual Fall Conference

The 2020 Fall Conference is currently being reimagined, and will be delivered to School Business Officials across the state of Colorado virtually. Conference sessions will require registration, and will be **FREE** to all current CASBO members.

The Current Lineup:

Wednesday, October 14th **General Session and Breakout Sessions**

Opening General Session 9:15 am to 10:45 am

Opening remarks by CASBO President Suzi DeYoung

Keynote Presentation

“Turning Negative Heat into Positive Energy!”

Dr. John Draper, Keynote Speaker



John Draper has energized audiences of educators, school leaders and community members in over 45 states. His presentations are marked by thoughtful analysis, engaging narrative and a refreshing passion for the mission of public schools. He makes research fun!

As the CEO of the Educational Research Service in Washington, DC, Dr. Draper spawned conversations among school leaders nationwide translating it into focused, proactive leadership practices. He is now a nation-wide consultant working with the National School Public Relations Association to expand support for public schools. NSPRA is a membership organization dedicated to helping educational leaders build community support for schools and school districts.

School Finance Update 11:00 am to 11:50 am

Speaker(s): Jennifer Okes, Executive Director of School Finance,
Colorado Department of Education



Moderator(s): Gina Lanier, CASBO Board

Description: Hear an update on Colorado School Finance and how it affects the Colorado Department of Education and School Districts. A Question and Answer session will follow.

Self-Discipline: A Recipe for Productivity 1:00 pm to 1:50 pm

Speaker(s): Laurence Vanden Boom, Plante Moran

Moderator(s): Kris Garnhart, CASBO Board

Description: Nowadays, it is difficult for the average person to focus on what is truly important and urgent because the channels through which we receive information display items as equally important. Regardless of the content of a text, IM, or email, the notification is the same and the notification itself signals importance and urgency. Don't become a victim to technology by believing the artificial urgency it creates. This session will focus on how to identify what is TRULY a priority and control how you use technology to support those priorities, not detract from them.

Student Count Rules this year. 2:00 pm to 2:50 pm

Speaker(s): Rebecca McRee, Colorado Department of Education

Moderator(s): Gina Lanier, CASBO Board

Description: The CDE Audit team will review student count rules for 2020/21.

Thursday, October 15th

Breakout Sessions

Colorado's Economic Outlook..... 10:00 am to 10:50 am

Speaker(s): Kate Watkins, Chief Economist, Legislative Council Staff

Moderator(s): Bill Sutter, CASBO Board

Description: Come listen to the state's Chief Economist give an update on the latest state quarterly revenue forecast and a conversation on Colorado's economic outlook.

Maximizing Foodservice Budgets. 11:00 am to 11:50 am

Panelists: Jeremy West; Rockies Purchasing Systems Consultant, Jill Kidd; Director of Procurement, Urban School Food Alliance, .and Tammie Rempe; Nutrition Consultant for BOCES

Moderator(s): Monica Deines-Henderson, CASBO Board

Description: The struggle is real ---- food and supply expenses are on the rise and labor costs have escalated leaving many districts struggling to financially support their foodservice operation. Come hear from a panel of experts about maximizing purchasing power and reducing expenses by driving savings in the food service supply chain through cooperative purchasing models.

Advocacy for your District..... 1:00 pm to 1:50 pm

Speaker(s): Diane Doney, Retired Assistant Superintendent of Business Services/CFO, Littleton Public Schools

Moderator(s): Samantha Gallagher CASBO Board

Description Discussions will surround navigating the Colorado legislative process and ideas on how best to advocate for your District.

Closing General Session..... 1:50 pm to 2:15 pm

Wrap up/closing remarks by CASBO Vice-President Gina Lanier