



2025 NSDTA Annual Education Conference Agenda-at-a-Glance

Track 1	Community Well-Being
Track 2	Curriculum Development & Facilitation
Track 3	Evaluation/Research
Track 4	Human Services Leadership
Track 5	Organizational Development
Track 6	Workforce Development

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5		
TIME	CONTENT	LOCATION
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration & Information Desk	Promenade
9:00 am - 12:00 pm	EAC Meeting (Invite Only)	Riverview
10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Tabletop Set-Up	Promenade
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Speaker Ready Room	TBD
9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Bring on the Change: An Organizational Effectiveness Training and Handbook for Change Management Facilitators Presenters: Jennifer Kerr, Kim James	Brandon A/B
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Workforce Development & Planning	Curriculum Development & Facilitation
	Digital Readiness as a Workforce Imperative: Training and Strategy for Human Services Agencies Presenter: Kirsten DiNicola	The Use of Augmented Reality to Enhance Child Welfare Training Presenter: Jennifer Kelman
	Merrimac	Claremont
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	1 st Time Attendees/Scholarship and Award Recipient Meet & Greet	Riverwalk

5:00pm - 7:00 pm	Welcome Reception	Stratford/ Providence/ Poplar
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MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

TIME	CONTENT			LOCATION
6:30am	NSDTA Wellness Power Walk			Main Entrance
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast			Promenade
8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Speaker Ready Room			TBD
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration & Information Desk			Promenade
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Vendor Networking Marketplace			Promenade
8:30 am - 9:45 am	Welcome General Session Welcome from NSDTA Co-Chairs Welcome from Norfolk			Stratford/ Providence/ Poplar
9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Headshot Lounge, <i>Underwritten by SteadyIQ</i>			Promenade
9:45 am - 10:00 am	Networking Break & Vendor Marketplace			Promenade
10:00 am - 10:45 am	Learning Exchange	Learning Exchange	Learning Exchange	
	Leadership	AI	Workforce Well-Being	
	Presenters: Lisa Amador, Laurie Jicha, LaTrece Thompson	Presenters: Chad McDonald, Charmaine Brittain, Dawn Konrady Fanslau	Presenters: Marlo Perry, Lonetta Bryan	
	Merrimac	Claremont	Brandon A/B	
	Learning Exchange	Learning Exchange	Learning Exchange	
	Current Challenges in Human Services	Facilitation	Community Well-Being	

	Presenters: Lesley Calloway, Alison Book, Melonie Barrow	Presenters: Mike Dorsey, Tracy Davis, Laurence Nelson	Presenters: Terrance Stroud, Mike Byers, Edwin Lebron
	Monticello	York	Eppington
10:45 am - 11:00 am	Networking Break & Vendor Marketplace		Promenade
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Community Well-Being	Human Services Leadership	Evaluation/Research
	Thriving Together: Advancing Equity and Resilience in response to DEI Rollbacks and Deportation Concerns Presenter: Dr. Rikki Gilmore-Byrd	EQ It's All About How You Show Up: Managing Your Emotions in the Workplace Presenters: Tracy Davis, Melonie Barrow	Making Data and Research Findings Actionable for Government Decision-Makers Presenters: Pamela Lilleston, Sharon Li
	Merrimac	Claremont	Brandon A/B
	Organizational Development	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	Community Well-Being
	Envisioning and Engaging for Training System Redesign Presenters: Judy Gundy, Charmaine Brittain, Patrick Bridge,	Cool Story, Bro: Using Audience-Aware Narrative to Train Complex Concepts Presenters: Jem Hodsdon, Sean Emmons	Designing Curriculum for Distributive Justice and Systems Change Presenter: Arelia Johnson
	Monticello	York	Eppington
12:15 pm - 1:45 pm	Lunch (On Your Own)		
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Community Well-Being	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	Human Services Leadership
	Mobilizing Community Power: Advancing Social and Economic Mobility through Cross-Sector Innovation Presenter: Natalie Williams	Building Motivational Interviewing (MI) Skills: Integrating AI-Powered Practice to Strengthen Workforce Capacity and MI Mastery Presenters: Chad McDonald, Cole Benson, Matthew Davis, Brad Lundahl	Thriving in Leadership: Achieving Psychological Safety for The Human Services Leader Presenters: Monica Hall, Laurence Nelson, Harolyn Davis McKee
	Merrimac	Claremont	Brandon A/B
	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	Organizational Development	Organizational Development

	Designing with the End in Mind: Building for Impact Beyond the Training Room Presenter: Dr. Michael Dorsey	How a Public System Transformed Organizational Practices Using Implementation Science Presenters: Nancy Gagliano, Pamela Lilleston, Michael Doyle	How Do We Move from Training to Performing- Building Capacity One Competency at a Time Presenter: Laurence Nelson
	Monticello	York	Eppington
3:30 pm - 3:45 pm	Networking Break & Vendor Marketplace		
3:45 pm - 4:45 pm	Community Well-Being	Evaluation/Research	Curriculum Development & Facilitation
	From Paper to Progress: Changing Habits in Benefits Enrollment Presenter: Matt Lyons	From Raw Data to Insightful Dashboards: A Visualization Journey Presenters: Francesca Robinson, Lofaine Bradford	Less is More – Simplifying Training for Maximum Impact Presenters: Sherry Parks, Patricia Mojta
	Merrimac		Brandon A/B
	Workforce Development & Planning	Evaluation/Research	Evaluation/Research
	Workplace Stability Overview: Creating Conditions that Lead to Retention, Productivity, and Engagement in Entry-level Workers Presenter: Sondra Huey	Recent Advances in Planning and Conducting Evaluation Studies in Child and Family Services: Practical Strategies in a World of Scarce Resources Presenters: Peter Pecora, Sandra Killett, Kimberly DuMont	Building a Cross-Departmental Community of Practice for State Government Researchers Presenters: Sharon Li, Shireena McGee
	Monticello	York	Eppington

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7		
TIME	CONTENT	LOCATION
6:30am	NSDTA Wellness Nature Walk	Main Entrance

8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Speaker Ready Room			TBD
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration & Information Desk			Promenade
8:00 am -5:00 pm	Vendor Networking Marketplace			Promenade
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Continental Breakfast			Promenade
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Opening General Session			Stratford/ Providence/ Poplar
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Networking Break & Vendor Marketplace			Promenade
10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Headshot Lounge, <i>Underwritten by SteadyIQ</i>			Promenade
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Human Services Leadership	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	Organizational Development	
	Aligning Training and Development Initiatives with the Organization's Strategic Objectives and Business Goals Presenters: Jairous Gurley, LeCorey McCrary	How Do I Engage Virtual Learners? Engagement is More Than Just Connecting Online Presenter: Edwin Lebron	Creative Capacity Building: Strategic Bench-Building for Human Services Presenter: Dr. Michael Dorsey	
	Merrimac	Claremont	Brandon A/B	
	Workforce Development & Planning	Evaluation/Research	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	
	Data Driven Coaching: Aligning Information, Impact, and Equity Presenter: Christina Liang	Breaking the Downward Cycles of Burnout and Secondary Traumatic Stress Presenter: Sitao Chen, Marlo Perry	Healing Facilitation Presenters: Sarah Baig, Christine Doman-Wells	
	Monticello	York	Eppington	
	12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch (On Your Own)		
	Community Well-Being	Organizational Development	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Foster Club Session – Title Pending Presenter: Christine Johnson	How Do We Move from Training to Performing- Building Capacity One Competency at a Time Presenter: Laurence Nelson	Secrets to Amazing Activities Presenter: Charmaine Brittain, Karyn Schimmels
	Merrimac	Claremont	Brandon A/B
	Community Well-Being	Human Services Leadership	Evaluation/Research
	BlueSky Possibilities: Shifting Systems Through Relationship-Centered Change Presenter: Dr. Donna Wilson, Shontay Olson	Leading Through Troubled Waters to Stability Presenter: Shunda Giles, Trina Louis, Nishone Foote-Moore	Workforce Insights for Organizational Effectiveness: The Pennsylvania Annual Workforce Survey Presenters: Nicolas Ranney, Karly Schleicher, Sarah Thurston
	Monticello	York	Eppington
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Networking Break & Vendor Marketplace		Promenade
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Learning Exchange	Learning Exchange	Learning Exchange
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

TIME	CONTENT				LOCATION
6:30 am	NSDTA Wellness Power Walk				Main Entrance
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast				Promenade
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Registration & Information Desk/Tabletops				Promenade
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Vendor Networking Marketplace				Promenade
8:30 am - 10:00 am	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	Community Well-Being	Organizational Development	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	
	Bridging Theory and Practice: Engaging Subject Matters Experts in Curriculum Development Presenters: Andrea Bowersox, Erin Miller	Leading Policy with Purpose: Community-Centered Approaches to Systems Change Presenter: Dr. Trinka Landry- Bourne, Dr. Donna Wilson	Leading Through the Capacity Crisis - What Can We Do When There is More Work Than Time? Presenter: Bill Bott	Reimagining Curriculum Development with Human- Centered Design Presenter: Lisa Parks	
	Monticello	Merrimac	Claremont	York	
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Transition Break				
10:15 am - 11:15 am	Closing General Session Closing Remarks Reggie Bicha, <i>President & CEO, American Public Human Services Association</i> NSDTA Co-Chairs NSDTA 2026 Location Reveal				Stratford/ Providence/ Poplar