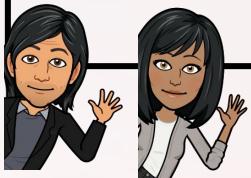


Sessions

We Talked About This Last Year, Right?

There is so much we can do to improve our ability to capture great ideas and provide clarity and efficiency to staff meetings. The universe seems to challenge us by surfacing the best new ideas at the most inopportune times. It can be an exercise in patience to mine the gold from such moments without derailing the necessary agenda. An easily-implemented structural piece like pairing web-based agenda templates with an electronic and paper-based “*bring forward system*” and a little positive reinforcement, can safeguard and liberate our best ideas, save incredible amounts of time, and amplify our leadership while building an engaging meritocracy.



Tech Coaching: The Testing Ground for Future Leaders

Looking to build leadership capacity and solid succession plans? Trying to build a case for tech coaches?

Teachers who prove themselves to be highly organized, creative and selfless tend to develop into excellent tech coaches. These are also necessary qualities for exceptional school and district administrators. Successful tech coaches make exceptional candidates for administrative positions. It isn't about the tech, but how they serve diverse and often immediate needs with their resources, organize demanding schedules, communicate and build positive relationships.

Tech is the ideal starting point and perfect environment to build future dynamic administrators. Be prepared to leave this session with many easily adaptable, proven ideas and multiple resources, tips and tricks.



Simplify, Clarify and Amplify Meetings with Google Agendas!

There's so much eduleaders can do to capture great ideas while providing clarity and efficiency during meetings. School leaders can encourage sharing and sparking new ideas with common agendas; incorporating annual district agenda reviews to seek better timing and alignment of goals and services. Even something as simple as deciding on one font to make it easier for people to copy and paste items can increase efficiency!

There is just so much opportunity to simplify, clarify and amplify our meetings. Be prepared to leave with an abundance of materials, including examples of 12 months of Google Docs, all implemented and screened for clarity and creativity in a highly efficient and high performing school district.



Simplify Your Edu-Speak, Amplify Your Results!

Most of us have a love-hate relationship with jargon; we enjoy how it rolls off our tongue when we get it right, yet often run away when it first greets our eyes or ears. The attractiveness of common language is growing and we need to look no further than educators that are fueling explosive growth on Twitter.

The most influential, exceptional thinkers are highly relatable because they can take complex ideas and communicate them simply and efficiently. Their writing is filled with eloquent diction but when it is time to share a video, they offer an air of common sense in quick and impactful clips. Attendees will leave ready to lead with enthusiasm and clarity.



Feed the Teachers: Offer an Incredible Menu

Have you ever felt uneasy about asking a tech coach or instructional lead for help? Maybe you think they are too busy or you just don't know what to ask for?

You don't feel awkward asking a waiter for something on the menu in a restaurant and you're never puzzled about what a server can do for you. A menu strips away uncertainty and removes the social barrier of accessing professional support. This session provides examples of timely menus to access the services of leads, coaches and coordinators while sharing templates and a simple way for developing your own a la carte menu of professional learning supports!



Teacher Assessment Toolbox: Agency and Professionalism via Google Doc Rubrics

Schools and districts require teachers to use formative assessment practices with students. Most will nod along that this makes sense, yet most teacher evaluation systems use a few drop-in summative events as the measuring stick for teacher efficacy. Still nodding?

Administrators who love getting into classrooms most certainly embrace modeling assessment for learning practices with their teachers and often do this informally. This session is filled with simple and clear procedures filled with rubrics and docs that blend constructivist professional learning and the formative assessment of teachers. Attendees will leave with a multitude of materials that have been developed and adapted annually by teachers and administrators in an extremely high performing school district.



How to Build PLN and Chat with Tweetdeck

Twitter chats are a great way to collaborate with educators all over the world and tend to spark conversations and sharing that is quite unimaginable to those who are yet to hashtag with a purpose. Tweetdeck will change your professional learning experience forever by simplifying and organizing your chats, interests, and favorite follows. We will engage in a live chat and learn to better follow people and interests to experience how this free and easy tool will organize topics, chats, hashtags, and notifications.

Attendees can expect to leave completely comfortable with Tweetdeck and with a toolbox full of chats, great follows and #protips that will make even their most Twitteriffic chatty friends jealous.



10 Simple Tips for Building Your Twitter PLN

Heard about the power of this Twitter PLN stuff? Are you dabbling or having a tough time getting into your Personal Learning Network (PLN) groove?

Twitter is an incredible tool for teachers! There are many reasons Twitter PLN's are exploding in Education AND it looks a whole lot more complicated than it is. It's very doable to be completely set-up and following incredible eduleaders and like-minded *Twitteriffic* people in less than an hour!

Be prepared to leave this session with 10 concrete tips, the basics of finding and participating in chats, Tweetdeck and many more protips making you the envy of your tweeps!

