



League of Innovative Schools SPRING 2026 CONVENING

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Why should I attend?

League Convenings allow you to see innovation in action, connect with fellow League members, dive into emerging topics in education, and gain ideas for your own district. Hosted by League member districts Kent School District and Issaquah School District, this is a unique opportunity to witness and experience the innovation evident across the Seattle area.

Who should attend?

League Convenings are open to current League members, their district leaders, and Digital Promise partners. League superintendents are invited to bring up to two district leaders with them to represent your district at the Convening.

This year, we're hosting an exciting, one-time event at the Convening, the **Build, Play & Innovate School Leadership Summit**. The Summit will be open to all school-based and district educators, including principals, instructional coaches, and lead teachers, who seek to foster innovation, embrace playful learning, and navigate the complexities of today's educational landscape.

What can I expect from the Spring 2026 Convening?

- **School Visits:** Experience innovations across Kent School District and Issaquah School District first-hand through a full day of school site visits.
- **Tailored Learning Sessions:** Participate in interactive learning sessions led by fellow League members, Digital Promise staff, and partners, and more.
- **Networking Opportunities:** Meet with and learn from other district leaders, sharing insights, innovations, and best practices.

What is the School Leadership Summit, and how is it different from the Spring 2026 Convening?

The Build, Play & Innovate School Leadership Summit is a unique one-day event that will be held concurrently with the first day of the Spring League of Innovative Schools Convening. The Summit will be open to all school-based and district educators, including principals, instructional coaches, and lead teachers, who seek to foster innovation, embrace playful learning, and navigate the complexities of today's educational landscape. The Summit's programming will be tailored to address school leaders and their unique landscape.

Through a series of interactive workshops, engaging keynotes, and collaborative sessions, participants will explore practical strategies to integrate creative approaches into their teaching, build resilient learning environments, and lead

their school communities through periods of change with confidence and agility. The Summit provides a unique opportunity for school leaders to connect with peers, share best practices, and leave with actionable insights to transform their schools.

Are there sponsorship opportunities for organizations?

Sponsorship opportunities include supporting our Convenings, learning collaboratives, and other initiatives that foster partnership, innovation, and impact. Your sponsorship not only fuels this important work but also opens doors to sustained, meaningful engagement with district leaders who are shaping the future of education.

This year, we are offering a number of sponsorship options for organizations and school vendors—from low-touch options that elevate an organization’s brand to high-touch options that offer opportunities to collaborate with superintendents and district leaders through working sessions. Sponsors can also support our exciting, new Build, Play & Innovate School Leadership Summit.

Review Digital Promise’s [2026 Annual Sponsorship Prospectus](#) to see the different sponsorship levels available. For more information about partnership opportunities with Digital Promise, email Rebecca Banks at rbanks@digitalpromise.org.

Registration Logistics

When can I register?

Early-bird registration is open from Dec. 1 through Jan. 11, and general registration opens on Jan. 12.

Is there a cost to attend the Convening?

Superintendents who are members of the League of Innovative Schools will not be charged a registration fee for the Spring Convening, though they are responsible for any travel and lodging costs. Additionally, League districts are eligible for a one-time district \$600 reimbursement for travel costs (pending provided receipts).

Any district leaders beyond the Superintendent League members are responsible for covering the registration fee, travel, and lodging. Registration fees will vary by attendee type, including a special early-bird rate for all registrants, launching on Dec. 1.

Attendee Type	Registration Fee Early Bird Dec. 1–Jan. 11	Registration Fee General Jan. 12–Feb. 20
Superintendent	Free	Free
District Leader “Early Bird” Registration Dec. 1–Jan. 11	\$299*	\$399*

**Event ticket costs above do not include additional processing fees.*
Note: Any special pricing – whether the superintendent complimentary ticket or early bird pricing – is non-transferable.

What does my registration include?

The registration includes all programming, materials, receptions, transportation to Convening events (not including transportation to/from the airport), and meals during the League Convening, beginning with a welcome reception on March 16 and ending with an evening reception on March 18. Please note that breakfast and lunch will be provided to those attending the School Leadership Summit. All Convening attendees are invited to join us for breakfast and lunch on Tuesday, as well as dinner on Wednesday. Attendees are on their own for Tuesday's dinner to allow for additional time to network and share insights with your district colleagues.

Do session presenters need to register for the event?

All session presenters must register to attend and present at the Convening. If a corporate or nonprofit organization or student is participating in your session, please reach out to the League team (league@digitalpromise.org) for a registration code and instructions. All session presenters except students will need to pay a registration fee. The registration fee will allow them to participate in all Convening programming, meals, and events.

What payment options are available for registration?

The payment options available for registration are a credit card payment through Eventbrite or receiving an invoice from Digital Promise's accounts and payables department. All forms of payment are subject to a service and payment processing fee. If you choose the invoice option, you can expect to receive an invoice a couple of weeks after you register for the Convening. **However, after Feb. 13, invoices will no longer be available as a payment method, and registrations must be paid with a credit card.**

Where can I find my code for my complimentary registration?

League superintendents will receive an email containing the code for their complimentary ticket. Please check your inbox for an email from the League team with the subject line "Register Today! League Spring 2026 Convening in Seattle." If you cannot find it, contact the League Team at league@digitalpromise.org for assistance.

Can I transfer my ticket? If so, who should I contact?

If you are unable to attend the Convening and wish to transfer your registration ticket to a colleague, please notify the League team at league@digitalpromise.org. Please note that any special pricing, such as the superintendent's complimentary ticket or early bird pricing, is non-transferable.

Is there a cancellation policy?

Cancellation Period: If you need to cancel your registration for the Convening, please notify the League team (league@digitalpromise.org) no later than **Feb. 13**.

Late Cancellation: Failure to notify the League team (league@digitalpromise.org) within the specified cancellation period, or a no-show to the Convening, will result in a forfeiture of your registration fee.

Refund Policy: Refunds for credit card payments will be processed through Eventbrite. The refunded amount will be the ticket price minus the service and payment processing fees.

Travel Logistics

What time do you recommend arriving and departing for the event?

We recommend that you arrive no later than 1 p.m. PT on Monday, March 16, and depart the morning of Thursday, March 19, 2025. Programming on Wednesday, March 18, will conclude with an evening reception at the Seattle Aquarium. If you plan to participate in the Build, Play, & Innovate School Leadership Summit or other optional programming the morning of Monday, March 16, such as the 9:00 a.m. PT school visit or the 2:00 p.m. PT closed-door superintendent meeting, we recommend that you arrive the evening of Sunday, March 17.

What hotel are we staying at?

The hotel for the League Spring 2026 Convening is the Hyatt Regency Bellevue on Seattle's Eastside, located at 900 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue, Washington. The room block reservation deadline is Feb. 13, or when all the pre-allocated rooms have been reserved. Visit the [Convening webpage](#) to make a reservation in the League's discounted room block.

Which airport is closest to the hotel?

The nearest airport is Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA), which is approximately 30-40 minutes from the hotel, depending on traffic.

How should I plan to get from the airport to the hotel?

The [Bellevue Airport Shuttle](#) provides a reliable and convenient connection between SEA and hotels in Bellevue at an affordable fixed rate. You can also consider rideshare and taxi options, which you can pick up at the airport.

Is there parking available at the hotel?

Valet parking is available at the Hyatt Regency Bellevue on Seattle's Eastside at the rate of \$47 per day. Self-parking is also available at a rate of \$37 per day and parking is complimentary for Friday and Saturday night stays.

What is the attire for the Spring Convening and School Leadership Summit?

Dress comfortably and casually, and remember to include layers, as Seattle weather can be unpredictable. Tennis shoes/comfortable footwear are welcome and encouraged, as well as a sweater or light jacket for travel and for meeting rooms. **We do recommend that you wear:**

- **Your Convening-provided t-shirt** to any scheduled school visits
- **Business or cocktail attire to the evening reception** (NOTE: There will be ample time to change between the end of sessions and the reception.)

What items should I bring with me to the event?

It is up to your discretion to bring items based on your preferences and needs. However, we recommend that you bring a laptop and its charging device to the event to ensure you have access to the necessary resources.

How can I access the event schedule and materials? Where can I find additional resources?

Attendees will have access to the event schedule and materials through Swapcard. All presentations and resources from the sessions will be made available on Swapcard. As the event gets closer, you will receive multiple emails from Swapcard prompting you to create an account. Please email Gabby DeHoyos at gdehoyos@digitalpromise.org if you have any issues with accessing Swapcard.

How do I sign up for school visit tracks, receive information about my assigned group, and understand the expectations for observing classrooms and exploring different spaces across the campuses?

Attendees will sign up for school visits registration on Eventbrite. Information about your assigned group and school visit expectations and schedules will be available on Swapcard under “Site Visit Resources” and provided at the Convening check-in desk. **Please note that changes cannot be made to your school visit selection.**

What is the transportation arrangement for school visits, and how will attendees be transported to and from the campuses?

On the school visit day, shuttle buses will be provided for attendees traveling from the host hotel to their designated site visit pathways, with departures at approximately 7-7:30 a.m. From there, attendees will travel between designated pathway sites on the same shuttle buses. After visiting all stops on the pathway, attendees will be returned to the host hotel by 4:00 p.m.

Alumni Registration

Can Alumni or Emeritus members attend the Convening?

Alumni members are eligible to attend Convenings for one year following their transition. To become a full member and participate in future events beyond the one-year window, you will need to submit a formal membership application through the standard process next year.

Emeritus members are eligible to attend the Convenings for one year following retirement. Participation in Convenings for Emeritus members is subject to approval based on space availability and program relevance.

How do I know if I qualify for Alumni or Emeritus membership?

An Alumni member is a former League of Innovative Schools superintendent who has recently transitioned (within the past year) to a superintendent role in a new district after the application deadline for the current League cohort.

An Emeritus member is a retired superintendent who previously served in League districts and were in good standing at the time of departure. Emeritus status is valid for one year following retirement.

What is the registration process for Alumni and Emeritus members?

To attend the League Spring 2026 Convening, Alumni and Emeritus members must complete the event registration form on the [Convening webpage](#). The League team will review your request within 5-10 business days and notify you via email of the decision. You'll receive a unique registration code if approved.

Is there a fee to attend the Convening as an Alumni or Emeritus member?

A registration fee of \$299* applies to both Alumni and Emeritus members.

*Please note that registrants will need to pay additional travel, accommodations, and processing fees, which are not reflected in this price.

If I am attending the Convening as an Alumni or Emeritus member, can my successor attend the Convening with me?

We encourage both Alumni and Emeritus members to invite their successors (the individual who directly replaced you) to join the Convening! Successors will need to register separately through the standard registration process here.