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2021 ANNUAL
ALL BOARDS RETREAT

7th Annual All Boards Retreat
January 29-30, 2021

YOUR VIRTUAL EVENT PROGRAM

Schedule of Virtual Events

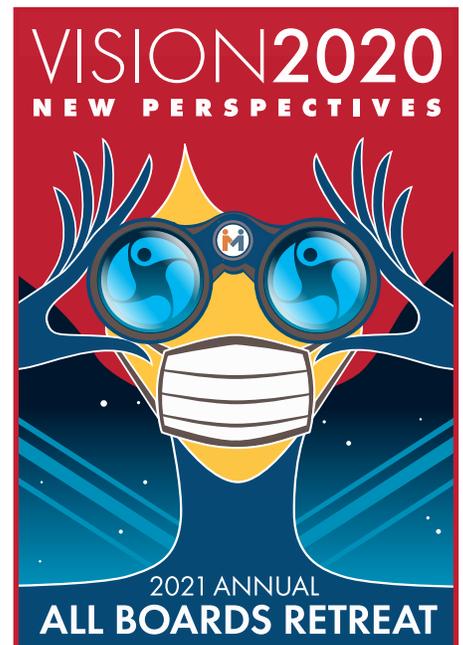
Friday, January 29

- 4:00 – 4:30 p.m. Welcome and Awards Ceremony
- 4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Roundtable Socials
- 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. Founders' Fireside Chat

Saturday, January 30

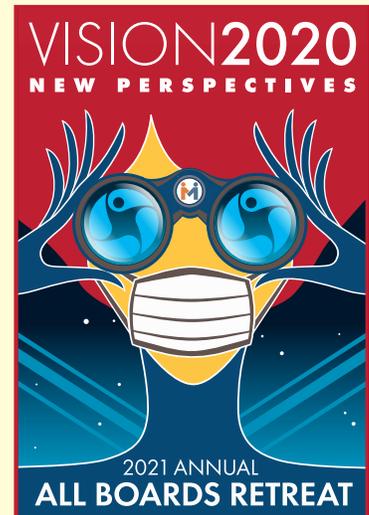
- 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. State of the Network: iCA Update & Maker Learning Network Update
- 11:30 – 12:00 p.m. Affinity Group Networking Sessions
- 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. Lunch Break (on your own)
- 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. Breakout Education Sessions (select one)
- 1:05 – 1:30 p.m. Cross-State Board Gatherings
- 1:35 – 2:00 p.m. Closing Session

*All times are Pacific Standard Time



Dear Valued Board Members,

Welcome to the 7th Annual All Boards Retreat. We are so thankful you can be with us virtually! We appreciate you setting aside this time to come together, to learn and to network with one another. Thank you for making this a priority and for your continued dedication to our shared mission: empowering learners to be “free to think, inspired to lead.”



Held every January, the All Boards Retreat invites stakeholders and leaders to connect, learn, and impact our thriving network. While this year we come together virtually, we are still incredibly proud of the robust lineup of presentations, breakout education sessions, and scheduled networking time. We are confident you will find all of the sessions informative, insightful, and inspiring.

Our focus this year is to adopt a renewed vision and look at the changed world we live in with new perspectives, new ideas, and new skills. It is a part of the vision of the Maker Learning Network and iLEAD Schools to transform and change the world of education, and we believe YOU play a crucial role in this vision.

Thank you for taking the time to join us. It means so much to have you here.

Sincerely,

The Board Retreat Team

Friday, January 29

4:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Welcome and Awards Ceremony

Kick off the 2021 Virtual All Boards Retreat with some welcome comments from our leaders and join us in celebrating your colleagues who exemplify our mission, vision, and design principles.

4:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Round Table Socials

Now is your time to connect with fellow volunteer Board Members and the iLEAD California and Maker Learning Network teams to reflect on your schools' successes and goals.

5:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Founders' Fireside Chat

Join our founders as they share some of our celebrations and accomplishments in the school year and get updates on the Maker Learning Network and iLEAD California mission, vision and programs offered at our schools.



*Dawn Evenson, Founder/CEO
iLEAD California*

*Amber Golden Raskin, Founder and CEO
Maker Learning Network*

Take a Virtual School Tour!

Just because we aren't gathering in person doesn't mean you can't see all the magic of our iLEAD schools and programs. From the comfort of your own home, take a behind-the-scenes virtual journey now.

<https://boardsretreat.org/virtual-tours/>



Saturday, January 30

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

State of the Network: iCA Update & Maker Learning Network Update

Hear from leadership on the strategic vision and goals for the future of our network. And, learn about the Maker Learning Network culture, values and purpose as you walk through the facilitator's pocket guide.



*Amanda Fischer, Executive Director, iLEAD California
Amer Kuric, Chief Strategy Officer, Maker Learning Network*

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Affinity Group Networking Sessions

Connect in small groups to discuss the learning from this State of the Network presentation and how this knowledge can impact the work that is being done for learners.

12:00 – 12:30 p.m.

Lunch Break

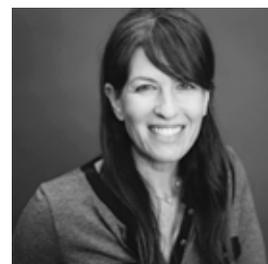
Grab a snack, stretch your legs, and take a break on your own. Then come back at 12:30 p.m. to attend one of our fantastic Breakout Education Sessions available to you.

12:30 – 1:00 p.m.

Breakout Education Sessions

Charter Advocacy

From tweeting to advocating... join network parents, board members and education advocates Sharon Lord Greenspan and Kenchy Ragsdale as they discuss the most effective ways for you to put pressure on your local and state representatives to oppose legislation that harms charter schools and educational choice and to support and pass measures that bolster it.



*Sharon Lord Greenspan, SCVi Board Member/iLEAD Online Parent
Kenchy Ragsdale, iLEAD California Board Member/SCVi Parent*

Diversity and Equity In Education

We recognize the need for a deeper understanding of equity, institutional biases and racism. Our staff are challenged to look at the historical roots, causes, and perpetuation of racism and discrimination in order to better facilitate these conversations with parents, learners and communities. In this education session, get an overview of the important diversity, equity, inclusion and justice work being done in our network.



Tricia Luckeroth, Regional Director, Southern California, iLEAD Schools

John Hill, Coordinator, Equity, Equality and Safety, iLEAD California

I'm the Board President – Now What?

Learn how the work of a board president is the same and yet different from that of the other board members who serve a school. The board president is the leader of the board and ensures that the board is running smoothly and effectively.

The president partners with leadership to promote the charter schools, conducts and runs meetings, ensures that the board's oversight is happening effectively – and so much more.

Come learn about the important board president role.



Nicole Miller, SCVi Board President and Parent

John Vescovo, iLEAD California Board President

PBL with an Aerospace Focus – What Is It Like?

Learn about a new school where learners see, touch, hear and experience academic content using a project-based learning approach with an aerospace focus. What makes it special? What do kids and parents think about it? Come learn the Colorado SKIES Academy way where we believe “the sky is not the limit when our imaginations are unlimited!”



Suzanne Acheson, School Director, Colorado SKIES Academy

Personalized Learning: A Glimpse into iLEAD Schools Non Classroom-Based Programs

Are you curious about how some learners within our network learn remotely? Come join our lively panel of personalized learning experts as we showcase a few of our non classroom-based programs. Have your questions ready for this open forum Q & A time.



Lara Durrell, Director, iLEAD Exploration

Heather Ferenc, Director, iLEAD Exploration

Nicole Huguenin, Director of Arts Integration, Maker Learning Network

Kate Wolfe, Program Coordinator, iLEAD Online

School Philanthropy

Designed to motivate and inspire, this dynamic workshop will delve into the powerful and rewarding partnership between nonprofit trustee and staff while also providing an overview of philanthropy and related trends. We'll shatter fundraising myths and help board members feel comfortable and confident by developing their own voice in the fundraising process. This workshop is a great primer for organizations looking to re-energize or increase their fundraising results.



Emily Croak, Senior Advisor, Aly Sterling Philanthropy

Taking Care of Our Emotional Health in a Pandemic

The challenges of social distancing, stay-at-home orders, online learning, business restrictions, and closures are impacting the emotional health of adults, teenagers, and children. Stress, anxiety, and depression are being felt by people who have typically not experienced these symptoms and are occurring at higher rates for those who have struggled with mental health diagnoses prior to the pandemic. Learn various ways to reduce stress and anxiety and take care of emotional health.



Jill Blanks, MA, LMFT, CLE, Antelope Valley Partners For Health

The Importance of Wellness

Come join the Employee Services Department as we discuss the importance of wellness. The Global Wellness Institute defines wellness as the active pursuit of activities, choices and lifestyles that lead to a state of holistic health.

Speak with us about what we as an organization have established to support the well-being of our community, and collaborate to support in how we should address it going forward.



*Natasha Baugh, Director of Employee Services, iLEAD California
Jenner Jose, Director of Employee Engagement, iLEAD California*

1:05 – 1:30 p.m.

Cross-State Board Gatherings

After all that exceptional learning in the education sessions, come together one more in small groups to share your insights and inspiration.

1:35 – 2:00 p.m.

Closing Session

We hope the retreat leaves you feeling encouraged, reinvigorated, and connected to your fellow volunteers, staff teams, and the charter school community.

Thank you for joining us!

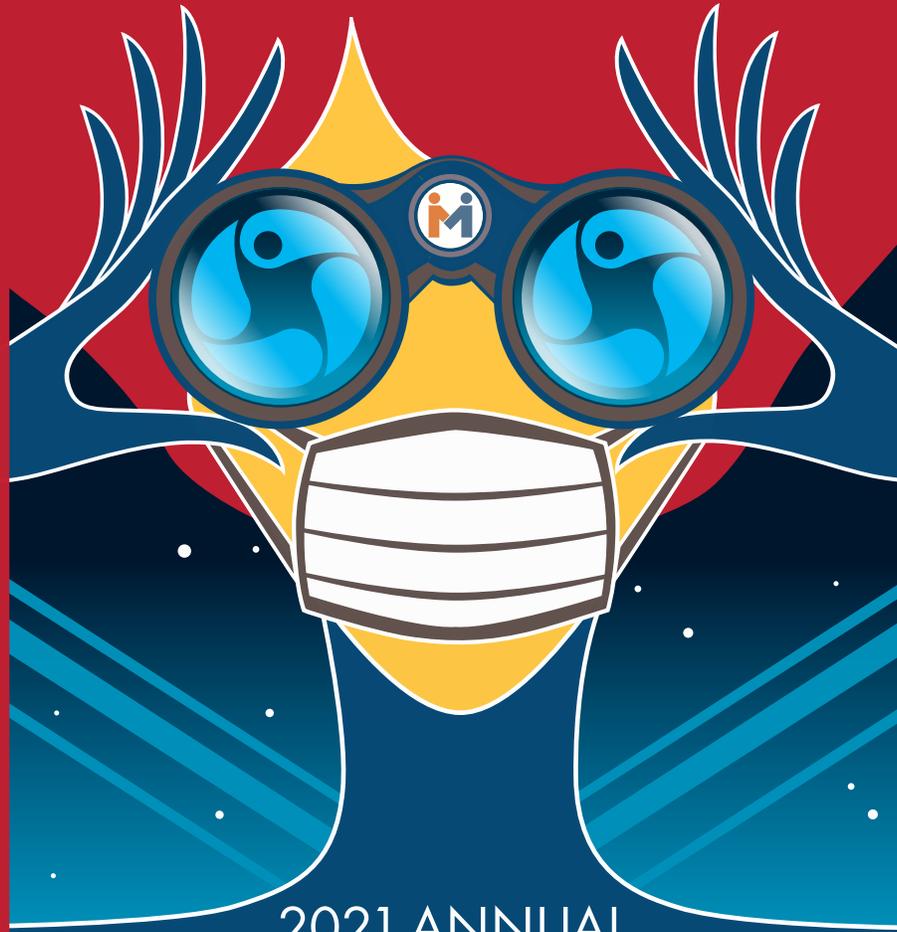


Your All Boards Retreat Hosts are:

**Kim Lytle, Director of Boards, Staff & Community Relations
Matt Watson, Director of Maker Outreach, iLEAD California**

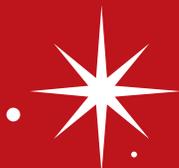
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