

STUDENT PREPAREDNESS THEME

New York State Council of School Superintendents

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The lack of equitable funding across the State of New York

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I am curious to hear from other small districts (under 500 students) what CTE opportunities they are providing at the 6-8 grade level. This would assist us with development of a comprehensive schedule that meets the desires of the students and preps them for paths at 9-12.

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LEADERSHIP THEME

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How might we grow and develop stronger strands of teacher leadership? The best way to underpin instruction and move the needle is through bottom-up approaches.

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In what ways can we work on teacher and leader recruitment and retention while addressing certification issues? The teacher and leader shortage is hugely impacting small rural and large urban districts. It's time to take proactive, collaborative steps.

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It's lonely at the top What keeps you from losing it after you make those tough decisions that turn your school, district or community upside down?

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How is the growing presence of community driven social media changing the roles of Administrators and BOE to set goals and support and serve students? Negativity and divisive messages can take away the positive focus from students and actively supporting their futures.

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In what ways can we increase the capacity of administrators to provide rich feedback through clinical supervision? In a world where APPR reinforces "checking boxes" we need to do a better job of supporting and growing out teachers.

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Shared Services As budgets get tighter and student enrollments continue to decline, how can we work together across districts to create more opportunities for kids?

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How can we best support the Superintendent and BOE relationship in a time of such intense pressure on public schools? Longer term Superintendents and BOE memberships can stabilize student and school district achievement.

3.5 ★★★★★ (7)



Cybersecurity! How are you staying ahead of this monster?

3.4 ★★★★★ (8)



Life after the Superintendency??? What steps should we be taking now to open doors for exciting work opportunities in retirement.

3.3 ★★★★★ (8)



Relevant activities/events for Board members to host Board members want to contribute but helping them to find ways to do so can be limited.

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Unfunded mandates

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The process associated with evaluation of the superintendent including goal setting, alignment with board, district goals, mid and year end review Good work on development of tools; process is equally critical

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Managing the current administrator and teacher shortages.

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Late FCRs - State Building Aid Penalties Who else is dealing with this nightmare? How can we help NYSED and the Legislature get a fix for this passed the Governor?

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Necessary changes that require downsizing of valued administrators There are so many aspects to these changes... communicating with the person(s) who are directly impacted, morale, etc.

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