

Breakout Sessions

Augmented Reality

By incorporating Augmented Reality into lessons teachers are able to involve students into the process with 3-dimensional models. It may be just a part of the lesson, like a teaser, or the support of the main topic with extra info from a different perspective, but it is fun and engaging. In this session we will take a look at several apps and the application of those apps in the classroom.

How Full Is Your Bucket?

How can we help manage behaviors and relationships? We'll talk about how important it is to fill love buckets as we introduce the basics of social emotional skills and conscious discipline.

Game Time!

If your students need a shot of motivation to stay engaged, this is the session for you! This session will give you an assortment of games and activities to play in your classroom. The presentation will demonstrate and provide easy and exciting ways to put that extra spark into your teaching. Attendees will leave with fun and exciting ideas that can be used the very next day!

Instructional Coaching: The Impact on Teaching and Learning

Impact Learning's instructional coaching model greatly impacts teacher growth and student learning. Coaches can be vital in the support of individual teachers and the school as a whole. Participants will learn about the five roles of the instructional coach and the research behind how these roles help to build and sustain a culture of learning throughout the school community.

Virtual Reality in the Classroom

Consider using technology as a means to enhance and enrich your classroom through the use of Virtual Reality. Using Virtual Reality, you can take your students to a moment in time, to the streets of Paris, the top of Mount Everest, even to the bottoms of the oceans. You are only limited by your own imagination. Come and learn how you too can implement Virtual Reality into your classroom.

Alexa... Teach My Class Today!

Do you wish you had a teacher assistant right at your fingertips? Well wish no more! Amazon Alexa is the assistant you are looking for! Using this new technology in your K-12 classroom can help take it to the next level of engagement. From classroom routines, math games, English skills, timers, and even new programmable apps to fit your specific needs, this small speaker will transform your classroom! Come learn how to start implementing Amazon Echo to take your classroom to the next level with this unique technology.

Using Music to Enhance Classroom Instruction

Learn how to use rhythm, rhymes, and music in your regular classroom - from games that can be used as assessment to using recorded music as writing prompts. This session is geared primarily for elementary teachers, but those who teach secondary might learn strategies that can be adapted for older students.

Teacher Leadership in MS: Engaging in the Work

Learn about the work of the Mississippi Teacher Leadership Task Force (MDE) and opportunities for educators to grow as teacher leaders, including fellowships, networks, events, and professional development.

Supercharge Your Student Engagement

Two super web programs to get students engaged: Plickers and EdPuzzle! Teachers work smarter not harder. Great for assessment, immediate feedback, & engages EVERY student!

Transforming Your Classroom with a Growth Mindset

Growth mindset is more than a buzzword; it's a lifestyle. Growth mindset applies to academics, behavior, and overall wellness. It also applies to students, teachers, parents, and administrators. This session will show how creating a classroom environment based on a growth mindset can increase productivity, promote learning, encourage risk taking, and transform personal interactions.

Philosophy, Food, Fitness, and Family

Some people say that you are what you eat. We say, you act on what you believe. Take time to recharge by reflecting on what you believe and discover how it impacts your food, fitness and family choices. You will hear the stories of a couple of teachers married to each other and learning everyday how to balance teaching with living well.