



So, You Want to Be a Superintendent?

Friday, December 11, 2026

BASA | 8050 N. High Street | Columbus, OH 43235

Available In Person or Virtual

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.

Registration/Continental Breakfast

8:50 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Welcome

Dr. David Axner, Executive Director, BASA

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

The Job of a School Superintendent

Dr. David Axner, Executive Director, BASA

9:35 a.m. – 10:05 a.m.

Why Be a Superintendent

Dr. Thomas Perkins, Deputy Executive Director, BASA

10:10 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.

Next Steps: Resume, Searches, and Interviews

Chris Mohr, President, K-12 Business Consulting

10:40 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

Break

10:55 a.m. – 11:25 a.m.

Tips From the Field

Dr. Robert Hill, Superintendent, Springfield City Schools

Paul Otten, Superintendent, Beavercreek City Schools

Amy Wentworth, Superintendent, New Philadelphia City Schools

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Advocacy, Your Lawyer, Bargaining, and More

Bronston McCord, Ennis Britton Co., L.P.A.

12:00 p.m. – 12:40 p.m.

Lunch

12:40 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.

Courage Beyond the Title: Becoming a Superintendent Who Leaves a Lasting Legacy

Pat Adkins, Superintendent, Port Clinton City Schools

1:10 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.

Board Expectations

Chris Valentine, Board Member, Dublin City Schools

Jenny McKenna, Board President, Upper Arlington City Schools

1:55 p.m. – 2:25 p.m.

Understanding and Negotiating that First Contract

Dr. David Axner, Executive Director, BASA

2:25 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Closing Remarks and Evaluations



So, You Want to Be a Superintendent?

Friday, December 11, 2026

BASA | 8050 N. High Street | Columbus, OH 43235

This one-day event will introduce and explain the most critical topics faced by a superintendent. Participants will have access to professionals who have served or are currently serving as superintendents and excel in the role. This professional development opportunity is like no other, as it has been created by superintendents for those who want to be superintendents. It will be a chance to know what preparation is necessary to be considered for the job.

Potential candidates for this professional development would be building level administrators, central office administrators, and those wishing to understand the complexity of being employed as a superintendent.

Complete the registration form(s) and enclose a check or purchase order. Mail to:

BASA

8050 North High Street, Suite 150

Columbus, OH 43235

- Or email randall@basa-ohio.org

Members: register online at

<https://basa.finalforms-amp.com>

Conference Payment

\$189 per person

Please indicate if you are attending:

_____ In-Person _____ Virtual

Check Enclosed (payable to BASA)

Purchase Order Number (if applicable):

Full Name:

Title:

Organization/School District:

Address:

(Street/City/State/Zip)

Phone #:

_____-_____-_____

Email:

Please list any dietary restrictions:

Cancellations & Refunds:

Refunds or credit will be given only for cancellations made in writing (mail or fax) and received by the BASA office up to five business days prior to the event. Cancellations 5 business days or less prior to the conference are subject to a 50% cancellation fee. No refunds will be given for "no-shows."

Questions?

For additional information, please contact BASA via email randall@basa-ohio.org or by phone at (614) 846-4080.