LYON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Staff Travel Report to School Board of Trustees

Your recent request to travel has been approved. Within two weeks of the date of the conference, the following report is due in the office of the Deputy Superintendent.

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Staff Member: Dr. Stacey Griffin-Cooper

School: DO

Conference: ESEA National Conference

Staff Assignment: Deputy Supt.

Do not use acronyms

Location of Conference: Denver, CO

Dates Attended: 2/9-2/13/26

General Overview: Do not use acronyms

I attended the 2026 National ESEA Conference February 10–12, 2026, in Denver, Colorado, at the Colorado Convention Center. The theme centered on "Cultivating Communities for Student Success," and included various topics from the federal level of education programs, down to local, high performance school districts nationwide. Sessions included Artificial Intelligence (AI), teacher efficacy, parent and community involvement, academic strategies to improve performance, school safety, etc.

How will this impact student learning in a positive way?

By engaging in sessions focused on Artificial Intelligence (AI), teacher efficacy, parent and community involvement, academic improvement strategies, and school safety, I gained actionable tools that can support our schools to implement and strengthen instructional quality/student support systems.

Sessions on Artificial Intelligence provided insight into how AI can be responsibly integrated to personalize learning, analyze student data more efficiently, and enhance instructional planning. Learning centered on teacher efficacy reinforced the strong correlation between educator effectiveness and student achievement. Multiple sessions offered strategies to support professional growth, instructional consistency, and evidence-based classroom practices. Additionally, sessions addressing parent and community involvement highlighted methods to build meaningful partnerships that contribute to increased attendance, engagement, and overall academic success.

Academic strategy workshops provided targeted approaches to improving performance among student populations, particularly through federally funded programs, while school safety sessions reinforced the importance of creating secure and supportive learning environments where students can focus and thrive. Collectively, participation in this conference strengthens the district's capacity to implement innovative, compliant, and student-centered practices that positively impact teaching quality, student engagement, and measurable academic outcomes.

How will I implement what I learned and how will I share this information with my colleagues?

Multiple sessions aligned nicely with LCSD goals. I will share what I learned at the 2026 National ESEA Conference by providing a focused overview to fellow school administrators during future leadership meetings, highlighting key takeaways related to AI integration, teacher efficacy, family engagement, academic improvement strategies, and school safety. I will summarize relevant federal updates and high-performing district practices, provide practical implementation ideas tailored to our schools. Additionally, I will facilitate discussion on how these strategies align with our district goals and identify next steps for collaborative implementation to strengthen student learning outcomes across our schools.

Other Comments:

Tim Sogge	NA
~~Site Principal~~/Supervisor Approval	Deputy Superintendent Approval
2/18/26	
Date	Date

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