



Full Schedule

Sunday, February 6

4:00 – 5:00 Registration

5:00 – 6:00 Welcome Reception

Reconnect with old friends and meet new colleagues as you are welcomed to Orlando and the conference! Drinks and appetizers will be served.

Monday, February 7

Complimentary Breakfast Available in Hotel Restaurant

8:00 – 8:30 Coffee Connections with Sponsors

Connect with conference sponsors in a casual environment before the day's sessions begin. Grab a cup of coffee and learn about their products and services that can help you and your school!

8:30 – 9:30 Welcome & Opening Session

Loving and Leading Your Team through Social/Emotional Development
Social/emotional learning is a core part of school culture and building engagement, influencing attitudes, and habits that impact individual and organizational growth. In the context of professional development, it means creating environments of trust, meaningful experiences of instruction and dialogue, and consistent feedback loops. In this session we will explore principles and activities to effectively utilize social/emotional learning to advance as a healthy school that is able to achieve greater joy and success.

- Scott Barron
Chief Reinvention Officer, School Growth LLC

9:30 – 9:45 Break with Sponsors

9:45 – 10:45 Session

Succession Planning: Bridging the Gap in Operational Knowledge

If you are new to your position or a few years in, you need a facilities operations analysis to assist in preparing for all the things you should have in place. How do you learn the all-important institutional knowledge needed to run an effective program? And just as important, how do you share that knowledge when you are planning for a change? This session will provide you with a tool to cover hundreds of items you should have in place to make sure your operation is ready to go and ready for any change in leadership.

- John Kennedy
President, Jkennedy Consulting

10:45 – 11:00 Break with Sponsors

11:00 – 12:00 Session

Convergence of Security: Panel Discussion

Security concerns for schools are ever changing, as they migrate from traditional locks to access control and deal with the cybersecurity issues these smart locks create. Join us for a panel discussion on the convergence of security, which will concentrate on physical security, access control, and cybersecurity technologies.

- Kevin Wren
Regional Sales Manager, A3 Communications
- Mark Duato
Senior Vice President of Integration Solutions, The Cook & Boardman Group

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 2:00 Session

Variable Refrigerant Flow: A Benefit to Your School

This presentation will focus on VRF (Variable Refrigerant Flow) technology and how these energy efficient HVAC systems can help save your school money over time. We will discuss the benefits of VRF, the types of equipment, suitable climates, and projects that can benefit from this. We will also look at the impact these systems can have on buildings, from noise and weight reduction to space savings and maintenance benefits.

- Preston Hombroek
Regional Sales Manager, Mitsubishi Electric Trane HVAC US LLC
- Isaac Lima
Area Commercial Sales Manager, Mitsubishi Electric Trane HVAC US LLC

2:00 – 2:45 Session

Best Practices for Playground Safety

For over a century, playgrounds have played a major role in the physical, social, and cognitive development for young children. However, if not routinely inspected and properly maintained, they can become a dangerous environment and potentially a financial liability for your school. As playgrounds are quite dissimilar from other structures on campus, like buildings, their maintenance needs are unique and sometimes overlooked. A Certified Playground Safety Inspector will present best practices for playground safety inspections, governing bodies and guidelines, common and uncommon dangers found, and other important playground topics that a Facility Director would want to know. It will describe maintenance routines that are typically handled by facilities staff and those that are more often performed by third party specialists.

2:45 – 3:00 Break with Sponsors

3:00 – 4:00 Session

Professional Organizations, Credentialing, and Networking - What's in It for Me (Or My School)?

My school is a member of MISBO - why should we join another professional organization? I was not required to have a credential when I was hired into the Facilities Department - why should I get one now? Is networking just another way to say "goofing off" while at a conference, or does it provide value to my school? These and other important questions will be answered during this session. We will discuss the background and purpose of different professional organizations that cater to the business needs of

Facility Managers. We will learn the differences between credentials, certificate programs, and training certificates. Finally, we will cover the value of networking to you and your institutions and maybe even have the opportunity to practice this invaluable skill during the session!

- Tom Owenby
Director of Facilities, Woodward Academy

Tuesday, February 8

Complimentary Breakfast Available in Hotel Restaurant

8:00 – 9:00 Coffee Connections with Sponsors

9:00 – 10:00 Session

Organizational Alignment: Mission Statement to Work Order

The Facilities team of The Westminster Schools recently took on the task of defining their mission. Once defined through multiple workshops, they focused on parts that could be measured and how they were going to measure them. "You can't manage what you can't measure" became the way they started defining their department's KPI (Key Performance Indicators) and using them in monthly (and some weekly) meetings to measure the department's progress. The exercise of asking critical questions of the staff revealed that much more dialogue and training was needed to continue to better align their department with a clear understanding of their goals and the strategy needed to achieve them. Join us to hear what they learned!

- Victor Panchuk
Director of Campus Facilities, The Westminster Schools

10:00 – 10:15 Break with Sponsors

10:15 – 11:00 Round Table Discussions

Come with your questions and challenges! Learn from your peers and come prepared to share your best practices and success stories.

11:00 – 12:00 Session

Creating and Ensuring a World Class Life Safety Program

Providing a safe environment for your school is always top priority, but are you taking all the right steps to achieve this? With increased use of new cleaning products, disinfectants, and sanitizers more prevalent today than ever, we will highlight the necessary safety measures on Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) you may not be aware of, explore the best placement for life-saving AEDs in your school and how to manage your program using the latest online tools, review fleet vehicle safety and provide a helpful checklist of key preparedness items, and provide an overview of protective garments for potentially hazardous workday activities that may require flame resistant (FR) garments or other PPE. Join us for this enlightening session, where you'll gain valuable insight into some critical safety topics and leave with actionable information to take back to your school!

- Megan Kidd
Global Account Manager - Strategic Markets | Education & Government, Cintas

12:00 Grab & Go Lunch

