

# March Program

DoubleTree Hotel  
11 Beaver Street, Milford, MA

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

In-Person Only  
Breakfast and Lunch Included



## Playground Planning

Gary Frisch, Chief Financial Officer, Gloucester Public Schools  
John P. LaRue, Certified Playground Safety Inspector

Don't overlook "Playground Power!" How can you engage families and community to start an ambitious plan for renovating or creating new playgrounds? Where any given school is likely surrounded by a sea of grass and asphalt, can't we reimagine that space as one where any and all students could easily spend a few active hours?

## Applying Your Conflict Resolution Assessment Style Results

James Mealey, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations, North Andover

Attendees completed the Conflict Style Assessment Tool in February and were provided with descriptions of the different conflict resolution styles. Armed with this information, attendees will participate in small group activities. If you did not attend in February, you can still participate in this activity!

## DESE Update - Governor's Budget

Rob O'Donnell, Director of School Finance, DESE

Governor Healey's FY24 budget is expected to be made public on March 1. Learn the most relevant pieces that pertain to school finance and what the new administration values regarding the education of Massachusetts' children.

## How to Implement and Sustain an Innovations Pathway Program

Mike Rubin, Principal, Uxbridge High School

Vocational-technical schools are at full capacity, but districts still have students who desire this valuable instructional path. Learn how the Uxbridge Public Schools implemented their own Innovations Pathway Program through community partnership, funding, and other major considerations.

## Fueling Student Wellness and Achievement

Nicole Good, School Wellness Specialist, Office for Food and Nutrition Program, DESE  
Robert Leshin, Director, Office for Food and Nutrition Programs, DESE

Learn about the impact of nutrition on learning, free universal school meals, P-EBT's use and importance, the importance of quality staff training, and more as you provide the foundation for improved student outcomes.

## \* Agenda \*

- 8:45 - Welcome
- 9:00 - Playground Planning
- 10:00 - Coffee Break
- 10:15 - Applying Your Conflict Resolution Assessment Results
- 11:45 - Lunch
- 12:30 - DESE Update
- 1:00 - How to Implement and Sustain an Innovations Pathway Program
- 2:00 - Fueling Student Wellness and Achievement
- 3:00 - Adjourn



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May 16- Pre-Conference  
May 17-19- Annual Institute

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