

# APLUS+ Personalized Learning Network Association 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference 2019 Registration Overview



"Strengthen That Which We Can Control"

Wednesday October 23<sup>rd</sup>—Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Bahia Resort Hotel, Mission Bay San Diego, California

the Association of Personalized Learning Schools & Services

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### **APLUS+ Conference 2019 Overview**

With California's 2018 elections for key policy-making offices such as Governor, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the State Legislature now behind us, the results are what they are.

The relentless assault by many in the status quo education system against parent and student school choice, and particularly against public charter schools, will not cease and will likely intensify in the near future.

What we can do best in this challenging climate is focus on strengthening that which we can control. The ongoing attack against school choice and charter schools requires, more than ever, that our Personalized Learning public charter school members be ever vigilant and committed to stand on high ground of academic excellence and fiscal and operational accountability. We must stand united and strong on the **four pillars of sustainability**:

- Accountability and Transparency
- Student Intake and Growth Achievement Data
- Personalized Learning Brand Identity
   & Sharing Our Success Stories
- Building Community Relationships and Allies







As contentious and antagonistic as the climate may appear to be, we must always remember that we are here first and foremost for the kids who choose us. We must remain ever steadfast in our vision to PUT STUDENTS FIRST and ensure their education success and preparation for 21<sup>st</sup> century college and career pathways through our Personalized Learning model. Our individual and collective ability to adapt to the ever challenging and changing climate in which we serve will determine how well we will be able to survive and sustain ourselves in the future.

Our annual APLUS+ Network Association Conference affirms and demonstrates our strong commitment to provide ongoing professional development, training, and networking opportunities to support our members. Our annual conference goal is to ensure that our school leaders, staff, teachers, and board members are fully apprised of all relevant issues, laws, regulations, best practices, and the latest innovative education products and services. Our collective willingness and ability to share our innovative best practices with each other annually helps to ensure that all of our member schools may be the best they can possibly be to successfully meet the needs of the tens of thousands of K-12 students they serve.

### Who Should Attend APLUS+ Network Conferences?

APLUS+ Network conferences are ideally designed for educational and administrative leaders and decision-makers whose school mission embraces the Personalized Learning model for their students. Our Personalized Learning professional development content is largely focused on instructional best practices, with about 2/3 of sessions being dedicated to proven teaching and learning practices that help all students succeed. About 1/3 of our sessions are focused on leadership best practices, as well as legal and regulatory compliance issues that are specifically relevant to independent study, nonclassroom-based charter schools.



### **APLUS+ Network Conference 2019 Preferred Partners & Exhibitors**

Our 2019 APLUS+ Conference will welcome up to 30+ resource providers and exhibitors whose products and services are designed to enhance and support public charter schools that personalize learning. Our conference exhibitors are typically comprised of APLUS+ Preferred Partners and affiliates that provide a wide variety of educational products and services, as well as back-office, legal, financial, community relations, advocacy, and other consulting services. Our member schools are committed to partner with high quality, outside providers to assist them in their Personalized Learning mission and vision, and in their commitment to high standards of academic excellence and to fiscal and operational accountability. Many APLUS+ Preferred Partners will also provide on-site training opportunities for attendees to learn more about their high quality products and services.



# APLUS+ Network Conference 2019 Professional Development & Networking Events

For the 17<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, the APLUS+ Personalized Learning Network Association Conference embodies our passionate commitment to provide professional development opportunities that are exclusively focused on topics and issues that are most critically important to Personalized Learning Public Charter Schools (a.k.a.: those that are non-classroom-based, independent study classified). Plan to bring your entire leadership and decision-making team, teachers, and staff to the 2019 APLUS+ Network Conference!

### A TOTAL OF 10 OR MORE TWO-HOUR INTENSIVE WORKSHOPS!

To kick off our 2019 conference we will offer a variety of two-hour workshop format to delve more deeply into topics of critical interest to Personalized Learning teachers and administrators. Our 2019 conference will offer at least 10 two-hour in-depth workshops on Wednesday afternoon, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### MORE THAN 40 BREAKOUT SESSIONS COVERING YOUR MOST CRITICAL TOPIC STRANDS!

Topic experts representing APLUS+ member schools, preferred partners, and affiliates will be offering collectively more than 40 one-hour and fifteen minute breakout sessions during Thursday and Friday of the conference. Subject to adjustments based upon session submissions, our proposed 2019 APLUS+ conference topic strands are as follows:

- Administrative Leadership
- Compliance and Legal Issues
- Data Collection and Sharing Your Success Stories
- Managing Successful Meal Programs in Personalized Learning
- Instructional Strategies
- Preparing Students for Their Goals in Life
- Specialized Programs for Personalized Learning Students
- Preferred Partner Training Sessions

As always, the strength and success of our annual conference is predicated on the willingness of our members to share their expertise and best practices with their fellow members. Consider sharing your expertise! Please refer to our Call for Presentations document for guidelines on how to submit your session proposal. In heartfelt appreciation, all session presenters receive a 10% discount on conference registration, and double the chance to win one of our fabulous farewell reception prizes!

### APLUS+ Mission Bay Paradise Dinner Cruise Reception & Bon Voyage Farewell Drawing



Our annual conference welcome reception on Wednesday evening will follow our intensive workshops on the beach of Mission Bay and feature hors d'oeuvres and drinks in an idyllic setting! Our Thursday evening reception will be unlike any we have ever offered, featuring a one-hour open bar, a two-hour Mission Bay cruise, and a three-course elegant buffet dinner on the awe-inspiring William D. Evans Sternwheeler. A journey through paradise to follow a full day of professional development and networking!

On Friday morning we will once again bid our conference attendees a fond farewell with our ever popular, signature Bon Voyage "Have Your Cake & Eat It Too" Farewell Reception and Drawing. Plan to stay until the very end of our conference for your chance to win one of several very cool prizes!

### APLUS+ Network Conference 2019 Registration Fees\*

### For APLUS+ Members:

- Early Full-Conference Registration for Members by 9/13/19-\$699 ea.
- Late Full-Conference Registration for Members by 10/11/19 -\$749 ea.
- Early One-Day Conference Registration for Members by 9/13/19-\$499 ea.
- Late One-Day Conference Registration for Members by 10/11/19-\$549 ea.

### For Non-APLUS+ Members:

- Early Full-Conference Registration for Non-Members by 9/13/19-\$799 ea.
- Late Full-Conference Registration for Non-Members by 10/11/19-\$899 ea.
- Early One-Day Conference Registration for Non-Members by 9/13/19-\$599 ea.
- Late One-Day Conference Registration for Non-Members by 10/11/19-\$699 ea.

\*APLUS+ gratefully offers a 5% discount to organizations registering 5 or more attendees, and a 10% discount to organizations registering 10 or more attendees. All presenters receive a 10% discount plus double the chance to win a fabulous prize in our farewell drawing!



## **APLUS+ Conference 2019 Registration Instructions**

To register for the 17<sup>th</sup> annual 2019 APLUS+ Network Conference, Please complete the online registration form here:

### https://aplusnetwork.wufoo.com/forms/k6v0jpe1iewsh5/

Each online registration form can accommodate up to 15 attendees from a single organization. For more than 15 attendees, simply fill out additional forms. Advance registration and payment only. APLUS+ does not offer onsite conference registration.

### APLUS+ Conference 2019 Schedule at a Glance

### Wednesday, October 23rd

Registration Check-In	10:00 am—5:30 pm
Intensive Workshops I	12:30 pm-2:30 pm
Refresher Break	2:30 pm-3:00 pm
Intensive Workshops II	3:00 pm—5:00 pm
APLUS+ Welcome Beach Reception	5:30 pm—6:30 pm
APLUS+ Annual Advisory Council Dinner	6:30 pm—8:00 pm
WEDNESDAY DINNER ON YOUR OWN	

### Thursday, October 24th

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Registration Check-In/Breakfast	7:00 am-8:00 am
APLUS+ Preferred Partner Exhibits	7:00 am-5:30 pm
Welcome/Opening Remarks	8:00 am-8:30 am
APLUS+ Pioneer Awards Ceremony	8:30 am-8:50 am
Breakout Sessions I	9:00 am-10:15 am
Breakout Sessions II	10:30 am-11:45 am
LUNCH/Keynote Address	12:00 pm-1:30 pm
Conference Exhibitor Networking	1:30 pm-2:15 pm
Breakout Sessions III	2:30 pm-3:45 pm
Breakout Session IV	4:00 pm-5:15 pm
APLUS+ Evening Dinner Reception Cruise	6:00 pm—8:00 pm

### Friday, October 25th

Registration Check-In/Breakfast	7:00 am-8:30 am
APLUS+ Preferred Partner Exhibits	7:00 am-11:30 am
Breakout Sessions V	8:30 am-9:45 am
Breakout Sessions VI	10:00 am-11:15 am
Bon Voyage Farewell Reception/Drawing	11:30 am-12:00 pm

### **CONFERENCE ENDS AT 12:00 pm**

# APLUS+ Conference 2019 Bahia Resort Hotel Room Reservations

Our 17<sup>th</sup> annual APLUS+ Network Conference will be hosted by the Bahia Resort Hotel, located on beautiful Mission Bay in San Diego, within a short walking distance of the beach, restaurants, shops, and the Belmont Amusement Park. Hotel room reservations for the 2019 APLUS+ Network Conference at the Bahia Resort Hotel at our group rate of \$169 per room (not including taxes and assessments), single or double occupancy, may be made in one of two ways as follows:



- 1. Access the online link: http://www.bahiahotel.com/groups/APLUS2019
- 2. Call Toll Free Reservations Line: 1-800-576-4229

Self-parking at the Bahia Resort Hotel is complimentary, and there are no additional resort fees. The hotel also offers complimentary unlimited access to High-speed Wireless and Wired Internet service in each guest room, lobby foyer, and beach area, as well as complimentary access to the poolside fitness center and pool facilities. Our Group rate is also available 3 days prior and 3 days post-conference dates, based on room type availability.