Quick Schedule
Registration/Badge Pickup: 7:30-8:10
Welcome: 8:10-8:20 (Boardroom)
Keynote: 8:20-9:20
Lunch: 11:30-12:25
Wrap Up & Door Prizes: 2:30-3:00

**Lunch from Central Texas BBQ provided by NAZCA**

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"The Power of Intention"

Our Keynote Speaker, Mandy Benedix, currently works as the Mentor Specialist in Pearland ISD where she created and oversees the district-wide RISE mentoring program. Currently, there are over 400 kids matched with a mentor in this program that is 3 years old.

Prior to her current position, Mandy was a classroom teacher for 17 years, 11 of which were in Pearland ISD at Rogers Middle School. She also created and facilitates the district-wide Grit Initiative that is now in its 6th year.

This initiative is about changing the culture of our classrooms, schools, and families from one that focuses on the end result to one that recognizes the journey it takes to get there. She has had the opportunity to present in other districts around the state as well as multiple conferences. Mandy’s passion lies in helping people, especially young people, to dream big, work hard, take risks, and above all be kind.

Energy flows where intention goes!

TECCSES Planning Team
Seth Fewell - Vicki Gaido-Laura Reeves-Tangila Webb

FLIPGRID Keynote Reflection

Photo Booth
Grab a Prop!
Strike a Pose
Conf. Rm. E

It’s a WRAP!
We’d love to hear from you!
Session 1 9:30-10:25

Conf. Rm. A  Robotics: Terminator or Big Hero 6
*This panel will discuss the present and future of robotics, and how to solve real-world problems through hands-on robotics and engineering.

Conf. Rm. B  Privacy Disasters: What lies ahead...
Amazon... Apple... Facebook... Microsoft... We willingly give rights to our data to companies such as these, but have they earned our trust? Recently, high-profile privacy scandals have rocked our sense of privacy, involving technologies from search to social media; e-mail to voice mail; mobile phones to webcams and GPS.
*This panel will discuss privacy scandals, Privacy Policies/Terms of Use, and how to make better informed decisions about your personal data.

Conf. Rm. C  Branding: Your Lasting Impression
Branding is more than just a logo, a motto, or a session at a conference. It reflects your vision, purpose, values, and passion; differentiating yourself from the "herd." Just as branding is important for the well-being of the "calves," it is also the cornerstone to producing quality "beef".
*This panel will discuss ways to strategically craft and place your brand.

Conf. Rm. D  L-ISTE-n UP: We've Got High Standards
ISTE (the International Society for Technology in Education) provides a framework for rethinking education and creating innovative learning environments through standards for students, teachers, leaders, coaches, and computer science educators.
*This panel will discuss how the various ISTE standards relate to one another, to individual/collective roles, and the future of education.

Session 2 10:30-11:25

Conf. Rm. A  ROAR with Social Media
Social networks are an inherent part of today's Internet (online culture) and used by more than a billion people worldwide. This global exposure underscores a need for better understanding of these ubiquitous platforms.
*This panel will discuss how we can Recognize Opportunity and Accept Risks – ROAR!

Conf. Rm. B  Ethic in the Digital Age
Our ethical frameworks have been changed and challenged by digital technology, sometimes causing people to straddle the line between what is good and bad, appropriate or inappropriate. As leaders, we must deal with the shifting of professional norms, moderate offensive content, and protect the privacy of those we serve.
*This panel will discuss some of the hot-button ethical issues facing education in a society where digital has become the new normal.

Conf. Rm. C  Driving Innovation
The past 25 years have seen a worldwide push for 21st-Century educational practice – while much has changed in the world, not much has changed in education. Are we ready to take on the educational challenges that our culture provides for us?
*This panel will discuss what it means to be a "Future Ready District," and how to meet and adapt to educational challenges, both in the present and distant future.

Conf. Rm. D  The TEKS [THE TEKS ARE OUT THERE]
The state defines a “technology literate” student as one who has mastered the Technology Applications TEKS for grades K-8, and these standards ensure that learners gain and apply critical 21st-Century digital knowledge and skills.
*This panel discussion will help us find methods for aligning the TA TEKS with grade level content and strategies for promoting awareness about them.

Session 3 12:30-1:25

Conf. Rm. A  GenZ: The Voice-First Generation
If millennials are considered dependent upon their devices, GenZ is nearly inseparable. Having grown up in a world where smart devices have not been outside of arm's reach, GenZ prefers platforms that deliver instant results such as video and audio, which are more immediately engaging than text.
*This session will explore the balance needed to reach GenZ while teaching other skillsets.

Conf. Rm. B  Hacking Leadership
Hacking 
ˈhak (n.) a clever tip or technique for doing or improving something
Are you a leader looking for cutting-edge ways to utilize new and useful technologies that redefine what is expected from leadership and create a collaborative experience for everyone? Let’s break away from the mundane, routine, and uninspired practices that stifle growth and change.
*This panel will explore leadership hacks that promote innovative leadership that empowers teachers and encourages increased student engagement and success in the classroom.

Conf. Rm. C  *Suite*n Up Your Habitat
We all prefer to live in an environment suitable to our needs. The same is true when it comes to productivity suites. Where do you live – Google Suite for Education, Office 365, or both?
*This panel will discuss ways to capitalize on the strengths of each for personal and organizational benefits.

Conf. Rm. D  "Build Peaks—Don’t Fix Potholes"
In Educational Technology, we have been conditioned to believe that fixing problems as they arise will satisfy the needs of others. Realistically, this is a losing battle – Merely fixing problems does not make people happy.
*This panel will brainstorm ways to empower employees through the lenses of culture, environment, leadership, and staff development by creating meaningful memorable moments that matter.

Session 4 1:30-2:25

Conf. Rm. A  What Do You Meme in a GIF
The old adage that a picture is worth a thousand words might be an understatement in regard to memes and GIFs. Join the conversation about how memes and GIFs can be used as educational devices to promote clarity, pedagogy, and humor.

Conf. Rm. B  Keeping Up with the Joneses
We are being asked to do more with less; trainings, funding, staffing, programs, etc. How do we find ways to fund innovation on a budget? Are there different ways to look at projects, pare them down, or go down different avenues?
*This panel will discuss how to keep our districts vision/mission in the forefront while progressing towards future driven practices.

Conf. Rm. C  Say I Do! Marrying Curriculum and Technology
The goal of educational technology is to use the technology to effectively change or enhance instruction, so that you are doing something greater or more efficiently by using it. Technology coaches help bridge the gap from where we are to where we need to be.

Conf. Rm. D  PD in the PM
Regardless of how many years you’ve been in education, the one thing that remains consistent is the absolute need for continuous learning. If professional development is the vehicle, how do we drive home the value of this essential resource?
*This panel will discuss how to elevate professional development and overcome the challenges of after-hours PD.

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