

# ACSA Mid-State Conference Schedule at a Glance

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## Friday, March 6, 2020

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| 10:00 am -<br>4:00 pm | Pre-Conference - Peter DeWitt - <i>Collaborative Leadership /<br/>Collective Efficacy</i> (At Embassy Suites - SLO Ballroom)   |
| 2:00 pm               | Registration & Check-in begins at Embassy Suites, San Luis<br>Obispo   |
| 5:30 pm               | Hosted Social (1 ticket) in SLO Ballroom & Atrium  |
| 6:00 pm               | Hosted Dinner <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Introductory Remarks - <b>Randy Bangs</b></li><li>▪ Welcome - <b>Jim Brescia</b> - County Superintendent, San<br/>Luis Obispo County Office of Education</li><li>▪ Entertainment - SLO Area Students</li></ul> |
| 7:00 pm               | General Session - <i>Sponsored by (Lozano-Smith)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Welcome: ACSA State Officer</li><li>▪ Sponsor Remarks - Lozano Smith</li><li>▪ Feature Presentation: <b>Peter DeWitt</b> - <i>Collective Efficacy</i></li></ul>         |



## Saturday, March 7, 2020

7:30 am	Registration & Hosted Breakfast (Embassy Suites Guests)
8:15 am	Breakout Sessions I
9:15 am	Break/Exhibitors
9:30 am	Breakout Sessions II
10:30 am	Hosted Break with Exhibitors/Prizes- <i>Coffee, Tea, Granola Bars</i> - <i>Sponsored by <b>Renaissance Learning</b></i>
10:45 am	Breakout Sessions III
12:00 pm	Lunch & General Session - <b>AALRR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Introductory Remarks - <b>Randy Bangs, Conference Chair</b></li><li>▪ Entertainment</li><li>▪ Sponsor Remarks - <b>AALRR</b></li><li>▪ General Session Welcome – ACSA State Staff</li><li>▪ Featured Presentation – <b>Beth Houf - <i>Lead Like a Pirate</i></b></li></ul>
1:45 pm	Exhibitors/Prizes
2:15 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>ACSA Governmental Relations Team</b> (Pre-Legislative Action) Panel - Facilitated by Barbara Martinez</li></ul>
3:15 pm	Hosted Break with Exhibitors/Prizes - (Cheese & Protein; place it in the hallway outside the ballroom) <i>Sponsored</i>
3:45 pm	Breakout Sessions IV
4:45 pm	Exhibitors/Prizes
5:00 pm	Combined Region Hosted Reception - <i>Sponsored</i>

\*Exhibitors will be present 8:00AM-12:00PM and 1:30PM - 4:30PM on Saturday



## Sunday, March 10, 2019

- 7:30 am Hosted Breakfast (Embassy Suites Guests)
- 8:30 am Breakout Sessions V
- 9:45 am General Session – ***Sponsored***
- Sponsor Remarks
  - ACSA Update - ACSA Staff
  - Featured Presentation – **Steve Ventura, *People, Practices & Policies***
- 11:00 am Final Drawings
- Region & Charter Gift Baskets
  - Two Apple Watches
- 11:15 am Conference concludes



# Featured Speakers

Friday Pre-conference Facilitator & Keynote Presenter



**Peter DeWitt, Ed.D.**

## ***Collaborative Leadership & Collective Efficacy***

<http://www.petermdewitt.com/>

Peter DeWitt (Ed.D) is a former K-5 teacher (11 years) and principal (8 years). He runs workshops and provides keynotes nationally and internationally focusing on collaborative leadership, fostering inclusive school climates, and connected learning. Within North America, his work has been adopted at the state level, university level, and he works with numerous districts and school boards. Peter works as a school leadership coach in North America. He and his team of 10 leadership coaches focus specifically on instructional leadership. Additionally, Peter is a Visible Learning Trainer working with John Hattie. He partners with Hattie on many things around North America.

Peter's articles have appeared in education journals at the state, national and international level. He has presented at forums, conferences at state, national and international conferences. His books have been translated into our languages.

He is the Series Editor for the Connected Educator Series (Corwin Press) and the Impact Series (Corwin Press) that include books by Viviane Robinson, Andy Hargreaves, Pasi Sahlberg, Yong Zhao and Michael Fullan. His Finding Common Ground column (Education Week) has been in circulation since 2011. He is the 2013 School Administrators Association of New York State's (SAANYS) Outstanding Educator of the Year, and the 2015 Education Blogger of the Year (Academy of Education Arts & Sciences), and sits on the panel of experts for NBC Universal's Education Nation.



## Saturday Lunch General Session



**Beth Houf**  
***Lead Like a Pirate***

<https://leadlikeapirate.net/author/beth-houf/>

Beth is passionate about developing schools that encourage high levels of learning and empowerment for all—schools where students and staff are running to get in, not out! To do so, Beth seeks out fun and meaningful ways to interact with students and teachers so they are excited about coming to school. Wearing costumes, singing karaoke, or breaking out some original dance moves as she enthusiastically greets students each morning, or providing innovative learning time and celebrations for her staff so they feel rejuvenated and excited about teaching is common practice for Beth.

Beth Houf is the proud principal of Fulton Middle School in central Missouri. She is the Co-Author of *Lead Like a PIRATE: Make School Amazing for Your Students and Staff*. Beth also serves as a facilitator for the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Leadership Academy, providing monthly training to state educational leaders.





**Steve Ventura**  
***People, Practices & Policies***

<http://www.steveventura.com/about/>

For five years, Steve Ventura taught physical education and was a special education resource teacher. He spent an additional 21 years as an administrator, starting out as an eager dean of students and ending up as a district superintendent. In 2010, Mr. Ventura left his superintendency and began to provide full-time professional development to schools, districts, and non-profit organizations all over the world. This work gave him new passion for preparing and supporting educators.

As an author and consultant, Mr. Ventura hopes to create what he would have liked more of when he was teaching: a vibrant, encouraging, stimulating community of teachers and leaders, supporting each other toward excellence. I believe if we can reach across the limits of geography and find each other, there's no limit to the amazing things we can accomplish.

In this thoughtful and interactive session, participants will learn how teacher and leadership efficacy and clarity can make a significant difference to student learning. Join Steve for an unforgettable, inspirational session, and learn how to pursue higher levels of collective efficacy with greater focus, rigor, and clarity.