## **Superintendent Truitt's Presentation - DPI Education Priorities**

#### CONCURRENT MINI SESSION TOPICS

Please consult the conference grid for the session times.

- Charter School Budget and Reporting Update: Update on charter schools on the 2022-23, budget and other key items related to their budget and reporting responsibilities. Presented by Gwendolyn Tucker and Susan Holly from SBS, NCDPI.
- Charter School Monthly Reporting and Cash Management: Overview of the monthly reporting processing, chart of accounts, and cash management responsibilities directed towards Charter Schools. Presented by Roxane Bernard and Tina Boyce from SBS, NCDPI.
- Capital Expenditures & ESSER Compliance: Overview of the requirements related to capital projecting using ESSER funding and key elements to be aware of to ensure you meet the compliance requirements and audits. Presented by Shirley McFadden, Compliance Manager, SBS and Nathan Maune, Manager, School Planning, NCDPI.
- Cracking the Code: Understanding EC Funding so You Can Use It Before You Lose It:
  Provides participants with information regarding sound fiscal management of EC grant
  Funding. This session will include information regarding maintenance of effort, special
  grants, and helpful hints for working with various EC grants. Presented By: Elizabeth
  Millen, Fiscal Monitor Special Programs and Data Section and Nicole Sinclair, Section Chief
  Special Programs and Data Section
- Creating a Safe & Positive School Climate: Understanding how a safe & positive school climate may reduce chances of critical incidences. Assess school climate from multiple perspectives. Understanding the impact of bullying, gang violence and human trafficking on the safety and climate of our schools. Presented by Karen Fairley, NCDPI, Center for Safe Schools
- **Federal Programs Update:** An overview from the Office of Federal Programs related to grants administration (CCIP grant application/ budget approval process), available technical assistance (one-on-one, regional, and statewide meetings), and compliance monitoring/data reporting processes. Presented by the NCDPI Office of Federal Programs.
- Licensure System and Process: Provides an update on the proposed new Licensure system, reviews current and projected processing changes, such as the "good faith effort" legislation. Will provide opportunity for Q&A. Presented by Thomas Tomberlin, Director, Educator Recruitment and Support, NCDPI.
- Local Government Commission: Annual update for LEAs. Presented by Jones Norris, Senior Accounting & Financial Management Advisor, NC State Treasurer
- ❖ Operations Division Update GROUP 1: Update from the NCDPI Operations Division related to School Planning and Plant Operations. The Team will provide information related to any new legislation and processes that impact the PSUs. Presented by Dr. Lynn Harvey, Senior Director Operations, Nathan Maune, Chief, School Planning Section, and Kim Lawson, Chief, Plant Operations Section.

- ❖ Operations Division Update GROUP 2: Update from the NCDPI Operations Division related to Transportation Services and Drivers Training. The Team will provide information related to any new legislation and processes that impact the PSUs. Presented by Dr. Lynn Harvey, Senior Director Operations, Kevin Harrison, Chief Transportation Section and Karl Logan, Chief, Drivers Education.
- Pathways to Excellence (*Proposed Performance Pay Plan*): Overview of the proposed Pathways to Excellence program and how that program is designed and other key information. This is the proposed performance-based pay plan that is being developed. The session will also enable the participants to provide feedback from our stakeholder groups as they further develop this proposed plan. Presented by Thomas Tomberlin, Senior Director, Educator Recruitment and Support, NCDPI.
- ❖ Partners in Fraud Prevention: The U.S. Department of Education (ED), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Investigation Services will provide an overview of ED OIG and discuss sources of allegations, indicators of fraud, examples of fraud schemes, best practices to reduce the risk of fraud, and how to contact ED OIG. There will be a question-and-answer session at the end of the presentation. Presented by Special Agent Nicole Dotson and Special Agent LaNee Reaves from the Dept of Education/Office of Inspector General.
- ❖ Public School Unit Audit Trends and Compliance: Provides an update on key compliance issues that we are seeing in the independent audit reports from all the PSUs and will provide key information to help the PSUs prevent those issues in the future. Will also provide an overview of the key items that the team and others will be focused on related to audit and compliance this next school year. Presented by Shirley McFadden, Compliance Manager, SBS, NCDPI and her team.
- School Business Budget Update: Discussion on the items in the 2022-23 Budget and School Allotment topics. Presented by FBS Leadership and Staff.
- School Business Reporting & Analysis Update (HOW TO TALK DPI): Discussion related to monthly reporting chart of accounts, cash management and salary audit directed towards LEAs. Presented by Gwendolyn Tucker, Roxane Bernard, and others from SBS, NCDPI.
- School Connectivity and IT Funding: Update and overview of the assorted options to gain technology funding for your school district. With the need related to connectivity brought to the forefront during the pandemic, this presentation will provide solid solutions to help support your technology needs in your district. Presented by Michael Ramsey, Director of School Connectivity, and Roxie Miller, State E-rate Coordinator, NCDPI.
- **Title III English Learner Funding and Compliance**: Learn the two federal funding sources supporting English learners (EL) as well as the state EL funding source, how these monies are to be used, supplement and supplant criteria, and other applicable compliance issues related to both BAAS and the grant in CCIP. Presented by Marshall Foster and Xatli Stox, ESL/Title III Consultants, Office of Academic Standards, NCDPI

Workers' Compensation Service, Forms, Benefits and Litigation: An interactive discussion related to workers' compensation (WC). This includes claim teams and structure of the third-party administrator; services & benefits associated with WC; medical and indemnity payment results of FY22; Industrial Commission forms --- F22 and F19; coordination of state disability benefits; general litigation process and what to expect when you are called to testify at a hearing – including tips and cross examination techniques. Presented by Eileen Townsend, NCDPI, School Insurance and Matthew Buckner, Assistant Attorney General, NC Dept of Justice.

### **Bull Durham Room**

We've set-up the Bull Durham Room to provide a space for conference participants to gather, decompress, share ideas in smaller groups, and network with your colleagues. After lunch, the NCASBO Leadership will be available to discuss the Mentor Support Program and Technical Supports being put in place for our newer finance officers and for those who are serving in an interim capacity. Please stop by if you have any questions about that program and those supports available to you.

#### **LISTEN and LEARN SESSIONS**

- ❖ The last sessions of the day will include various LISTEN & LEARN sessions with our various areas at NCDPI. These sessions are meant not just as Q&A with the teams but for our teams at NCDPI to gather feedback and other information from our customers to help us improve and inform our work this next fiscal year. Please attend and help us all move forward together.
  - School Business
  - Compliance & Monitoring
  - Federal Programs
  - o Operations
  - o IDEA (Children with Disabilities)
  - School Personnel Support

# **Financial and Business Services - Summer Conference 2022**

ROOM	EMPIRE AB	EMPIRE C	EMPIRE D	EMPIRE E	ROYAL	CROWN	BULL DURHAM	AUDITORIUM
7:00 - 8:30	BREAKFAST IN THE IMPERIAL CONVENTION CENTER							
8:30 - 9:45	School Business Budget Update	Capital Expenditures & ESSER Compliance	Federal Programs Updates	Workers' Comp- Service, Forms, Litigation	Local Government Commission LEA Update	Charter School Monthly Reporting & Cash Management	Network & Decompress	Licensure System/Process Update
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10:00 - 11:00								
	Charter School Budget & Reporting Update	PSU Audit Trends and Compliance	Federal Programs Updates	Workers' Comp- Service, Forms, Litigation	Title III English Learner Funding and Compliance	School Connectivity - IT Funding	Network & Decompress	Pathways to Excellence (proposed Performance Pay Plan) Overview
11:00 - 12:00								
	School Business Budget Update	Partners in Fraud Prevention (OIG)	Creating a Safe & Positive School Climate	Operations Division Update Group 1	Cracking the Code: Understanding EC Funding	School Connectivity - IT Funding	Network & Decompress	Licensure System/Process Update
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12:00 - 1:30	LUNCH BUFFET IN THE IMPERIAL CONVENTION CENTER							
1:45 - 2:45	SBS Reporting & Analysis Update (How to Talk DPI)	Partners in Fraud Prevention (OIG)	Creating a Safe & Positive School Climate	Operations Division Update Group 2	Cracking the Code: Understanding EC Funding	Title III English Learner Funding and Compliance	NCASBO - Mentoring & Tech Support DROP-IN	Pathways to Excellence (proposed Performance Pay Plan) Overview
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2:45 - 3:00	BREAK TO BE HELD OUTSIDE EMPIRE BALLROOM							
3:00 - 4:00	School Business Listen/Learn	Compliance Listen/Learn	Federal Programs Listen/Learn	Operations Listen/Learn	IDEA Listen/Learn		NCASBO - Mentoring & Tech Support DROP-IN	School Personnel Support Listen/Learn