



AIE Conference Session Formats

General Breakouts - Extended Breakouts - Panels - World Cafe
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General Breakout

Session Length: 45 minutes

Audience Size: up to 150 people

General breakout sessions provide active and engaged learning in theater seating or round tables (9 participants per table). Participants will engage in an issue, learn a new skill, develop an action plan, or other activity. Proposals should allow for involvement and contribution to the learning process from the participants. Participants should leave the session with information to share with their campus/district and/or new strategies to implement. A take-away idea or strategy is essential.

Extended Breakout

Session Length: 90 minutes

Audience Size: up to 150 people

Extended breakout sessions will provide extended time for in-depth learning in theater seating or round tables (9 participants per table). Participants will engage in an issue, learn a new skill, develop an action plan, or other activity. Proposals should allow for involvement and contribution to the learning process from the participants. At the end, a 10-minute Q and A session should be provided to accommodate audience participation/inquiries. Participants should leave the session with information to share with their campus/district and/or new strategies to implement. A take-away idea or strategy is essential.

Panel

Session Length: 45 minutes

Audience Size: up to 150 people

Panel sessions mesh the perspectives of presenters (Primary Presenter and up to 3 Co-Presenters) into a cohesive conversation of innovative ideas, current topics, and issues regarding case studies in school improvement and best practices. The last 10-15 minutes of each panel should include an extensive Q and A to accommodate audience participation/inquiries.

World Cafe Roundtable

Session Length: 45 minutes

Audience Size: up to 30 people

World Cafe roundtables are small, informal round table discussions that give attendees the opportunity to network with educators across the state, exchange ideas, and discuss best practices and current issues in education using the World Cafe Methodology. Discussion facilitators should identify and develop a topic that will allow participants to discuss how they address specific issues around school improvement.

Lightning Demo

Session Length: 20 minutes

Audience Size: up to 50 people

Lightning Rounds are informal sessions designed to be fast, fun, and engaging. Participants will leave with new knowledge and a strategy or tool they can immediately use on a campus or in a district. These presentations can be hands-on, such as a student or teacher-led demonstration focusing on using technology in the classroom. Lightning rounds can also be lectures describing why and how a district/campus implemented an innovative strategy or tool to increase student achievement.