CLAS offers excellent Professional Learning and PLU programs to address individual needs for recertification requirements. The icons in this year’s brochure indicate activities which can be used for credit toward a specific PLU. For more information on PLUs and CLAS offerings, please visit the Professional Learning section of www.clasleaders.org.

New Principals Institute

September 14-15, 2021 * Marriott Legends * Prattville

New to the principal’s position? Connect with colleagues for this two-day event designed specifically for first- and second-year principals. With an experienced mentor at each participant table to help guide the conversation, delve into the challenges and responsibilities of your new role. Learn up-to-date information to help you overcome the obstacles new principals encounter. Build a professional network of support and develop your capacity as a school leader by gaining new ideas and top-notch resources to make your job easier.

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Secretaries Conference

December 7-8, 2021 * Renaissance * Montgomery

One of Alabama’s only professional learning opportunities for school and district secretaries and bookkeepers, the 29th Annual Secretaries Conference is a gathering not to be missed. Tasked with providing administrative support in many school and district aspects, secretaries and bookkeepers will find opportunities to sharpen skills and provide continued motivation among everyday responsibilities. Gain unique tools and knowledge in the pre-conference Technology Camp. Join CLAS for this annual event promising timely information and an unforgettable experience.

Aspiring Administrators Conference

January 22, 2022 * Tuscaloosa Career & Technology Academy

February 1, 2022 * Location TBD * Montgomery

Ready to move to the next level? This conference, led by faculty and staff from the University of Alabama and Auburn University, strives to provide aspiring administrators with an awareness of the unique characteristics and comprehensive dimensions of the principalship. Program content follows NAESP’s 21st Century Principalship...Getting the Job Done Right. Hear from practicing instructional leaders as they share realistic views of daily tasks and responsibilities of administrators.

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Assistant Principals Conference

January 26-27, 2022 * The Grand Hotel * Point Clear
February 16-17, 2022 * The Shoals * Florence
February 23-24, 2022 * Marriott Legends * Prattville

Take advantage of this highly focused two-day training designed to support the daily work and challenges of the assistant principal. Participate in engaging discussions from varied perspectives at this event designed for the novice and veteran AP. Held in three locations throughout the state, session content is targeted information every assistant principal should know. Gain insightful messages from inspirational and knowledgeable speakers needed to successfully perform your job. Walk away with an expanded professional network and ideas to immediately improve your leadership practice.

Law Conference

March 9, 2022 * Marriott Legends * Prattville

Every school administrator knows there are dozens of legal hazards associated with their job. Are you struggling to maneuver these challenging legal issues? The CLAS Law Conference is Alabama’s premiere education law event featuring presentations on the diverse legal issues impacting school and district administrators. Join respected experts in the field of school law and learn to navigate your legal encounters with much greater knowledge. Do not miss this opportunity to sharpen your legal knowledge!

Culture Training

Day 1 - February 3, 2022 & Day 2 - March 8, 2022
Tuscaloosa Career & Technology Academy * Tuscaloosa

Though often invisible to the eye, a school’s culture influences everything that takes place under its roof. How a school builds its culture is incumbent on the school leadership, school relationships with faculty, families and community partners, and the essential practice of making the school welcoming for all – a place of belonging and trust for every student and family. Attend this specialized, highly-interactive two-day training and learn to build a positive school culture that is critical to student achievement. Gain strategies for pinpointing the type of culture you have, the type you want, and the actions needed to bridge the two.

CLAS Summer Convention

June 13-15, 2022 * BJCC * Birmingham

Join us for the 51st celebration of the CLAS Summer Convention. This extraordinary three-day event features content to inspire and guide leaders in their quest to improve school and district performance. Expand your professional growth with strategies to take your career, school, and students to the next level. You will not want to miss Alabama’s largest professional learning gathering for school and district administrators.

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CLAS offers system subscriptions for the Leadership Institute series to school systems. If your system is a paid subscriber, any school system employee can attend at no charge. Non-system subscribers and non-members may attend for a fee. Attendees may earn credit toward a PLU or receive a certificate toward clock hours.

**Multi-Tiered System of Support for Adults: Supporting Healing After Trauma**

Presenter: Shelley Jones Holt

Most recently in education, there is a well overdue renewed interest in employee self-care, mindfulness, and healthy living to manage the impacts of primary and secondary trauma. If educators are mentally, physically, and emotionally healthy, they are better able to serve the needs of students in their care. Building support into the system to meet adults where they are and support their trauma will impact employee satisfaction, retention, and lead to greater relationships with students and colleagues. This institute will outline the thinking and process needed to build a Multi-Tiered System of Support model for adults.

9:00 am - 12:30 pm (Sign-in begins at 8:00 am)

- September 8, 2021 Mobile + Virtual
- September 9, 2021 Hoover
- September 10, 2021 Huntsville

**The Heart of the School Community: Engaging and Empowering Families**

Presenter: Alina Davis

This institute focuses on the role of family engagement and its impact on school culture. Examine the difference between family involvement and family engagement and how they have different results on student achievement and the whole learner. Through interactive learning opportunities, participants will learn the elements needed to build a school culture where families feel connected and valued and identify how to engage and invest in families. Gain family engagement strategies to lead your schools to success.

9:00 am - 12:30 pm (Sign-in begins at 8:00 am)

- November 2, 2021 Florence + Virtual
- November 3, 2021 Hoover
- November 4, 2021 Daphne

**Optimize Teaching & Learning with PowerSchool + Schoology + Edgenuity**

Presenter: Kellie Ady and Grace Delgado

Join colleagues to learn how PowerSchool & Edgenuity are partnering to support districts in addressing different aspects of the teaching and learning cycle. Discover how high-quality curriculum content from Edgenuity can be used directly within the Schoology platform, streamlining teacher access to materials, and engaging all learners. Participants will explore how this can support differentiated instruction, progress-monitoring, and grade pass back to PowerTeacher Pro. Don’t miss the opportunity to see how the power of these integrated solutions can take classroom instruction to the next level.

9:00 am - 12:30 pm (Sign-in begins at 8:00 am)

- October 6, 2021 Hoover
- October 7, 2021 Montgomery + Virtual
- October 8, 2021 Mobile

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CLAS is closely monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and may offer virtual/blended options, if needed.

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Be Their Hero: Trauma-Informed Care
Presenter: Josh Varner

Two out of every three students in the United States are impacted by a traumatic event. When people experience trauma, it is normal and natural for them to have a hard time coping afterwards. This training will explore how the Covid-19 Pandemic has traumatized students and how to support them, how to identify students impacted by trauma, and how the brain and body respond to trauma and how this impacts behavior. Leave with a ‘Call to Action’ and return to school equipped with specific tools to support your students.

9:00 am - 12:30 pm (Sign-in begins at 8:00 am)

January 11, 2022 Mobile
January 12, 2022 Montgomery + Virtual
January 13, 2022 Huntsville

Key Indicators of Highly Effective Technology Integration
Presenter: Steven Anderson

Technology in the classroom is becoming nearly as ubiquitous as textbooks and pencils. Each day students encounter lessons designed with technology in mind. When new technologies or instructional practices are introduced into classrooms, it can be a challenge for educators to communicate how everything fits together to create a richer learning environment. Join Steven Anderson and examine the key indicators of highly effective technology use and how educators and school leaders can best identify when technology works and when it does not.

9:00 am - 12:30 pm (Sign-in begins at 8:00 am)

Mobile
Montgomery + Virtual
Huntsville

What’s Happening in Special Education Law? The Year in Review
Presenter: Julie Weatherly

Although the country has turned most of its attention in the past year to COVID-19, and educators continue to be concerned about the provision of appropriate education to students with disabilities during the aftermath of the pandemic, there has still been considerable activity in special education law that is not COVID-related. Julie Weatherly will provide an update on significant special education “legal happenings” including an overview of relevant court decisions and agency interpretations.

9:00 am - 12:30 pm (Sign-in begins at 8:00 am)

February 9, 2022 Florence
February 10, 2022 Montgomery + Virtual
February 11, 2022 Mobile

Engaged Leaders = Engaged Learners
Presenter: Melissa Shields

Join Melissa Shields of the Alabama State Department of Education to explore promising practices to cultivate a rigorous and engaging classroom culture across the curriculum. Discussions will include leadership strategies to inspire, monitor, and celebrate high-yield instructional and whole child supports for student success.

9:00 am - 12:30 pm (Sign-in begins at 8:00 am)

April 12, 2022 Mobile
April 13, 2022 Montgomery + Virtual
April 14, 2022 Hoover
Alabama Association of Elementary School Principals (AAESA)

November 14-17, 2021
AAESA Fall Instructional Leadership Conference
Orange Beach

Alabama Association of Secondary School Principals (AASSP)

November 7-10, 2021
AASSP/AAMSP Fall Conference
Point Clear

Alabama Association of Middle School Principals (AAMSP)

November 7-10, 2021
AASSP/AAMSP Fall Conference
Point Clear

Alabama Council of Administrators of Special Education (ALA-CASE)

August 16-17, 2021
ALA-CASE Back to School Training
Prattville

August 18, 2021
ALA-CASE Novice Coordinators Training
Prattville

October 4-6, 2021
ALA-CASE Fall Legal Conference
Point Clear

February 23-24, 2022
ALA-CASE Spring Conference
Birmingham

February 25, 2022
ALA-CASE Novice Coordinators Academy
Birmingham

Alabama Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (AASCD)

November 4, 2021
AASCD Fall Curriculum & Instruction Bootcamp
Virtual

January 23-25, 2022
AASCD Winter Conference
Virtual

February 17, 2022
AASCD Spring Curriculum & Instruction Bootcamp
Virtual

Alabama Association for Prevention, Attendance and Support Services (AAPASS)

March 2-4, 2022
AAPASS Spring Conference
Mobile

Alabama Association of School Personnel Administrators (AASPA)

September 17, 2021
AASPA Fall Drive-In Conference
Birmingham

January 26-28, 2022
AASPA Winter Conference
Montgomery

February 23-25, 2022
AASPA Spring Conference
Virtual

February 25, 2022
AASPA Novice Coordinators Academy
Birmingham

Alabama Association of Career/Technical Administrators (ACTA)

April 20-23, 2022
ACTA Spring Conference
Orange Beach

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All Lunch & Learn Webinars are FREE to CLAS members. If your schedule doesn’t allow for participation at the assigned time, the webinars are recorded and available under the Professional Learning tab of the CLAS website, www.clasleaders.org.

Lunch & Learn Webinars held 11:00 am - 11:45 am

- **Sept 2**
  - **All Hands On Deck! Sailing into Smooth Seas with Textbook Adoptions & Purchases**
    - Carolyn Jones and Patrick Chappell

- **Oct 4**
  - **Achieving Equity and Dismantling Disproportionality by Addressing Systemic Beliefs**
    - Alexandria Harvey and David Lopez

- **Jan 5**
  - **Creating a Culture of Character**
    - Ammie Akin

- **Feb 2**
  - **Lessons Learned from COVID-19: Rethinking Leadership**
    - Dil Uswatte and Emily Paschal

- **Mar 4**
  - **Playing Catch Up: Combatting the Achievement Gap**
    - Orletta Rush

- **Apr 5**
  - **Hot Off the Press- Character and Social-Emotional Development Standards**
    - Kara Chism and Jodi Newton

- **May 5**
  - **Updates from the State Department of Education**
    - Elisabeth Davis

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Contact SSA for PLU Opportunities

**Alabama Leaders Advocating for English Learners (ALA-EL)**

- January 19-21, 2022
  - ALA-EL Winter Conference
  - Tuscaloosa

**Alabama Association of 504 Coordinators (ALA504)**

- December 9-10, 2021
  - ALA504 Conference
  - Birmingham

**School Superintendents of Alabama (SSA)**

- October 12-14, 2021
  - SSA Fall Conference
  - Florence

- January 10-12, 2022
  - SSA Legislative Conference
  - Montgomery

- June 19-22, 2022
  - SSA Summer Conference
  - Orange Beach

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