

Sessions presented by REL Central at the
 Nebraska Department of Education 21st Century Conference
 Bridging Research, Policy, and Practice
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Agenda

Session Title	Session Description	Session Agenda
Session A: Well Planned Out-of-School Time = Academic Achievement	<p>This session will target student success by sharing a U.S. Department of Education Practice Guide entitled <i>Structuring Out of School Time to Improve Academic Achievement</i>. During this session, participants will explore the five recommendations from this Guide, the research base which supports them, and the implications for out-of-school time programs. This session will focus on two of the Practice Guide recommendations in particular, including: <i>Recommendation 3: Adapt instruction to individual and small group needs</i> and <i>Recommendation 4: Provide engaging learning experiences</i>. Participants will receive a copy of the Practice Guide at this session.</p>	Draft Session Agenda— Session A: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Practice Guide recommendations and research (15 min.) • Focus on Practice Guide Recommendations 3-4 (35 min.) • Q&A (10 min)
Session B: Fostering Math Learning in Afterschool	<p>In this session, participants will focus on aligning the out-of-school time program academically with the school day and providing engaging learning experiences for students. Participants will experience and practice examples of activities which expand or extend the school-day objectives while engaging students in afterschool math and learn more about <i>Recommendation 4: Provide engaging learning experiences</i> in the US Department of Education Practice Guide, <i>Structuring Out of School Time to Improve Academic Achievement</i>. Participants will also have an opportunity to reflect on current practices and will receive a copy of the Practice Guide at this session.</p>	Draft Session Agenda— Session B: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Practice Guide recommendations and research (15 min.) • Focus on Practice Guide Recommendation 4 (35 min.) • Application of Recommendation 4 to the field with a focus on afterschool math instruction (25 min.) • Q&A (10 min.)

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Session C: Supporting Academic Success through Building Students' Vocabulary	Participants will use exciting, interactive approaches to increase student success in school and life by building students' vocabulary based on <i>Recommendation 4: Provide engaging learning experiences in the U.S.</i> Department of Education Practice Guide entitled <i>Structuring Out of School Time to Improve Academic Achievement</i> . Participants will receive a copy of the Practice Guide at this session.	Draft Session Agenda— Session C: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of the Practice Guide recommendations and research (15 min.) • Focus on Practice Guide Recommendations 3-4 (10 min.) • Application of Recommendations 3-4 to the field, with a specific focus on building students' vocabulary (25 min.) • Q&A (10 min.)