



# 110<sup>th</sup> IATDP Annual Truancy and Dropout Prevention Conference

## CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

We're Back... Determined to Make a Difference!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

4:00 PM

6:00 PM

6:30 PM

Registration & Check-in

Welcome & Introductions

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Dr. Roy "Wade" Smith

President's Reception will follow  
the keynote address

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### MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Registration
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Welcome Address – Dr. Cade Brumley, Louisiana State Superintendent of Education
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>Keynote</b> – Dr. Stephen Sroka
10:15 – 11:15 AM	<b>BREAKOUT SESSION 1</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Hearing Officer Training – Dr. Thomas Cothern</li><li>2. Association of Pupil Services and Attendance Counselors – Raquel Zamora &amp; Ryan Ofelia</li><li>3. Restorative Restart: Addressing Attendance Habits in a Post-Pandemic World – Jessica Rodgers &amp; Chad Townley</li><li>4. Incorporating Community &amp; Business Leaders in the Mission – Jason St. Pierre</li></ol>
11:15 AM – 12:30 PM	Lunch on your own, vendors, Board of Directors Luncheon
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	<b>BREAKOUT SESSION 2</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Hearing Officer Training – Dr. Thomas Cothern</li><li>2. Attendance Interventions: Transitioning from Punitive to Proactive – Pam Gould</li><li>3. Youth Challenge Program (YCP) – Shawn Parker</li><li>4. Combating Truancy: A Tiered Intervention Process – Thomasena Stuckett &amp; Gail Cotton</li></ol>
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM	<b>BREAKOUT SESSION 3</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Hearing Officer Training – Dr. Thomas Cothern</li><li>2. Truancy...County Court or District Support? The Attendance Review Board – Sharon Bradley</li><li>3. Meeting Them Where They Are: Conducting Home Visits – Barry Smith</li></ol>
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	<b>Keynote</b> – Judge Blair Edwards, 21 <sup>st</sup> JDC

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### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Registration
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	<b>Keynote</b> – Dr. Shannon LaFargue (Calcasieu Parish Supt.)
9:45 AM – 10:45 AM	BREAKOUT SESSION 1
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Hearing Officer Training – Dr. Thomas Cothern</li><li>2. Virtual/Hybrid Attendance Solutions – Kim Albin &amp; Nikki Lavergne</li><li>3. Practical Strategies for Supporting Student Mental Health &amp; Resilience – Christian Moore</li><li>4. Using a Teacher-Driven, District-Wide Approach to Reducing Chronic Absenteeism in a Rural/Suburban Title I District – David McPhee &amp; Rene Tardie</li></ol>
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	BREAKOUT SESSION 2
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Hearing Officer Training – Dr. Thomas Cothern</li><li>2. Restorative Practices – Joni Walker &amp; Kellie Barbay</li><li>3. Suspensions and Expulsions: The Gateway to Juvenile Delinquency and the Prison Pipeline – Ollie Christian</li><li>4. School Avoidance Alliance – Jayne Demsky</li></ol>
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	President's Luncheon & Awards
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM	BREAKOUT SESSION 3
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Hearing Officer Training – Dr. Thomas Cothern</li><li>2. Challenging Truancy: Why Mental Health Challenges Create Truancy – Nina Spinelli</li><li>3. Engaging Students in Real Time, in Real Ways – Chad Broussard, Billie Prettelt, &amp; Michael Simmons</li></ol>
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Break/Vendors
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	<b>Keynote</b> – Shamiel Gary
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Open Forum/Hot Stove/Whole Group
6:00 PM	Dinner (on your own)

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8:30 AM – 9:30 AM

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

10:45AM – 11:45 AM

11:45 AM – 12:00 PM

12:00 PM

**Keynote** – Tazmin Mitchell

Ending **Keynote** – Kimberly Darden

Business Meeting & Elections

Close Out

Conference Ended