## **Cultivating Academic Success through the Effective Use of Character Preconference**

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**Date:** Thursday, February 23, 2023

**Location:** Indy Marriott, 350 W. Maryland St, Indianapolis, IN 46225

## Agenda:

8:00 – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast	Indiana Ballroom E
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.	<ul> <li>Opening Remarks</li> <li>Lynn M. Gangone, AACTE President and CEO</li> <li>Kirstin Werner, Program Officer, Kern Family Foundation</li> <li>Carole Basile, Dean, Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College, Arizona State University</li> </ul>	Indiana Ballroom E
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	<ul> <li>Plenary: Exemplary Models of Character Formation in Education Preparation and Liberal Arts Programs         Moderator: Carole Basile, Dean, Mary Lou Fulton Teachers         College, Arizona State University     </li> <li>Panelists:         <ul> <li>Deborah M. Boyd, Ed.D., College of Education, Dean Emerita &amp; Professor, Lipscomb University</li> <li>Meredith Critchfield Ph.D., Dean, College of Education, Grand Canyon University</li> <li>Stanton Wortham, Charles F. Donovan, S.J., Dean, Carolyn and Peter Lynch School of Education and Human Development, Boston College</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Indiana Ballroom E
10:00 – 10:55 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions	
	<ul> <li>Promoting Character-Building in Pre-Service Teachers</li> <li>Dr. J. Aaron Popham, Dean &amp; Academic Vice President, School of Education, Western Governors University</li> <li>Carlyn Ludlow, Associate Division Director of Undergraduate Programs &amp; Clinical Associate Professor Division of Teacher Preparation, Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College, Arizona State University</li> </ul>	Indiana Ballroom G
	Character Education Legislation: How State Policies Can be a Catalyst for Change  • Brenda Mendiola, Associate Professor, The University of Alabama	Indiana Ballroom D

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11:00 – 11:55 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions	
	<ul> <li>The Role of School Leaders &amp; Teachers in Supporting the Development of Character in School-Age Students</li> <li>Melinda C. "Mindy" Bier Ph.D., Co-Director, Center for Character &amp; Citizenship, University of Missouri-St. Louis College of Education</li> <li>Cristy Guleserian, Director, Principled Innovation, Arizona State University, Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College</li> </ul>	Indiana Ballroom G
	<ul> <li>Applying an Equity and Justice Lens to Character Education</li> <li>Erline Hertilien, Senior Director, Leadership Development, Building Excellent Schools</li> <li>Calandra Sales, Lead Founder, Independence Preparatory Academy</li> </ul>	Indiana Ballroom F
	<ul> <li>Character &amp; Leadership in Rural School Districts</li> <li>Jim McIntyre, Dean, Belmont University</li> <li>Betty Sue Sparks, Assistant Professor of Practice, Center for Educational Leadership, University of Tennessee, Knoxville</li> </ul>	Indiana Ballroom D
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	<ul> <li>Lunch &amp; Keynote</li> <li>Elizabeth "Liz" Huntley, Esq., President/Co-Founder, Hope Institute</li> </ul>	Indiana Ballroom E
1:10 – 2:00 p.m.	Character Education Café The Character Education Café will provide a collaborative space for participants to engage in table discussions to share and learn from each other.	Indiana Ballroom E
2:00 – 2:15 p.m.	Closing	Indiana Ballroom E