



# EdTech & Computer Science

## January/February 2025 Updates

Happy New Year! Chúc Mừng Năm Mới! We hope 2025 brings you new opportunities to learn and grow, both personally and professionally.

We're excited to share with you upcoming professional learnings, resources, and ideas for incorporating educational technology and computer science in your districts, schools, and classrooms.

### [WAESD AI Summit](#)

**February 3-5 | In-Person | DoubleTree by Hilton by Seattle Airport**

Join us for all three days to progress from foundational skills to real-world AI applications or choose one of the day-and-a-half options for a focused overview of AI's impact on K-12 education. Space is limited, so register today!

[Colleague AI for Administrators](#) | **March 5 | 10:00am-11:30am | Virtual**

[Colleague AI for Educators](#) | **April 29, May 6 and 13 | 4:00pm-5:30pm | Virtual**

## Save the Dates!

### **Pacific Northwest Canvas Connect 2025**

We invite you to join us at the upcoming **Pacific Northwest (PNW) Canvas Connect 2025**, hosted by Puget Sound Educational Service District (PSESD) 121 in partnership with Instructure. This free event will take place on **Friday, March 7th, 2025**, at PSESD in Renton, WA. This in-person conference is dedicated to exploring educational technology integration and innovation focusing on bridging the Canvas experience in PK-12 education.

We are seeking proposals for sessions and workshops that cater to our audience of PK-12 Canvas users. These users are looking for insights, best practices, and opportunities to collaborate. We welcome proposals from both seasoned and new users, from PK-12 and higher education. Interested? [Complete the Speaker Proposal Form](#).

For more information and to register, visit [pdEntroller Event #179777](#)

### **Physical Computing Workshop in partnership with CSTA**

**March 15 | 9:30am - 2:30pm | In-Person at Microsoft Campus (Redmond, WA)**

For more information and to register, visit [CSTA Washington](#)

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## Professional Development Spotlight

**Cybersecurity Summer Summit** in partnership with CityU Center for Cybersecurity Innovation. Applications open for the following:

- **July 8-11 [GenCyber](#)**: for 6th-8th grade CTE teachers interested in teaching cyber security content, courses, and after-school cyber security oriented clubs.
- **July 13-16 [Learning about Techniques and Tools for E-Security \(LATTE\)](#)**: for 6-8 grade teachers interested in teaching cybersecurity or starting a National Cyber League clubs and those who want to start a cyber competition club or add the cyber challenges to their curriculum.
- **July 13-16 [Cybersecurity High School Innovations \(CHI\)](#)**: for grades 9-12 teachers interested in teaching cyber security courses.

To learn more about the different Summits, join us for the following webinars:

- **[Tuesday, January 28](#)** from 11am-12pm via Zoom
- **[Tuesday, February 11](#)** from 11am-12pm via Zoom. This session is geared for administrators.
- **[Tuesday, March 4](#)** from 3:30pm-4:30pm via Zoom

## Award Nominations Open

*Nominate yourself or someone else for an award!*

**[NCCE Awards](#)**: Nominations are open through January 24th.

Please nominate a deserving colleague for an NCCE (Northwest Council for Computer Education) award. The winner will receive recognition at NCCE 24 in Seattle.

- [Librarian of the Year](#)
- [Technology Educator of the Year](#)
- [Technology Leader of the Year](#)

## Grant Opportunity

### 2025 Ellison Educator Grants for Washington State K-12 Public School Teachers

Applications are now being accepted for the “Ellison Education Grants”.

- Grants are for K-12 public school teachers in **Washington State**.
- Grants will range from **\$1,000 to \$10,000** and be awarded this spring to be used for the 2025 - 2026 school year.
- **Applications must be submitted by March 30, 2025.**

To learn more about the “Ellison Education Grants” please visit the following link:  
<http://ellison-foundation.org/ellison-education>

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## PSESD and AESD Upcoming Events and Opportunities

### Digital Navigation Services 2024-25

*Sponsored by AESD*

Asynchronous Online Course | September 1st, 2024 - August 14th, 2025

For more information and to register, visit [pdEnroller Event #173017](#)

### Colleague AI for Administrators

- Wed. March 5th, 2025 | 10:00am-11:45am | Online

For more information and to register, visit [pdEnroller Event #179983](#)

### Pacific Northwest Canvas Connect 2025 **SAVE THE DATE!**

- Fri. March 7, 2025 | 9:00am-3:00pm | In-Person at PSESD

For more information and to register, visit [pdEnroller Event #179777](#)

### School Library Roundtable 2024-2025

*In collaboration of ESD 101, ESD 113, PSESD 121*

- Wed. March 12th, 2025 | 4:00pm-5:00pm | Online
- Wed. May 14th, 2025 | 4:00pm-5:00pm | Online

For more information and to register, visit [pdEnroller Event #172619](#)

### Beyond Content Leadership: Weaving Interdependence

- Fri. March 14th, 2025 | 9:30am-11:00am | Virtual **NEWLY UPDATED!**
- Fri. May 2nd, 2025 | 8:00am-11:45am | In-Person at Location TBA

For more information and to register, visit [pdEnroller Event #173274](#)

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For more information and to register, visit [pdEnroller Event #179751](#)





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## Additional Events & Offerings

### Meetup South of the Lake with foundry10

Join Washington CSTA and host foundry10 on **Tuesday, February 4th from 6:30 - 8:30 pm** at the **Berliner Pub** in Renton for an informal meetup to discuss Physical Computing, AI in education, and all things CS Education south of Seattle.

Free registration and more information can be found by visiting <https://washington.csteachers.org/Events/south-of-the-lake-meetup-with-foundry10>

### February 8 | Tech Connect | Auburn, WA

The Auburn School District is excited to announce that **Tech Connect**, our annual conference for teachers, by teachers is now **open for registration** at the link below.

This year our **keynote speaker is Tyler Rablin**, an instructional coach from Sunnyside School District and author of the book Hacking Student Motivation. He will talk about **practical AI applications in the classroom**, and **how it can create rigorous instruction to get students excited to learn**. He will be joined by over 20 Auburn teachers who will lead breakout workshops and sessions to share how they are successfully integrating technology in their classrooms.

**All certificated teachers will receive 7 STEM clock hours. Registration is free!**  
*One hour lunch, on your own. Please bring your own, or visit one of the [nearby restaurants](#).*

🌟 [Register on pdEnroller for Tech Connect!](#) 🌟

### February 26-28 | NCCE Annual Conference | Seattle, WA

For more conference information, visit the [NCCE website](#).

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*The Puget Sound ESD Educational Technology & Computer Science team is dedicated to providing you with the best possible support and resources. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us with any questions, concerns, or feedback.*

Do you have an event or a story to share  
for our upcoming newsletters?  
Send us your event/story at [Ed-Tech@psed.org!](mailto:Ed-Tech@psed.org)

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