Thursday, December 10

1:00pm – 2:00pm  Summit Welcome and Opening Remarks

2:00pm -2:15pm  Break

2:15pm – 3:15pm  Session 1 (see session details on page 2)

3:15pm – 3:30pm  Break

3:30pm – 4:30pm  Session 2 (see session details on page 2)

4:30pm – 4:35pm  Break

4:35pm – 5:30pm  Continuing Conversations and Social Hour

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Opening Session and Session 1 Details
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Opening Session
A Conversation with Gene Sharratt, Center for Educational Effectiveness, and Andrea Cobb, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Session 1.1
Moving Toward System Alignment: Dismantling the Silos
Presented By: Helene Paroff, Washington Association of School Administrators; Lindsey Stevens, Center for Strengthening the Teaching Profession, David Green; OSPI, Betty Lopez; Selah School District, Jennifer Kindle; Selah School District, Stephanie Andler; Selah School District
Summary: Moving Toward System Alignment: Dismantling the Silos
This presentation will focus on how districts are working toward developing systems that ensure equity and access for all students. Participants will learn about state structures that support this work and will hear, more directly, from the Selah School District and their efforts to meet the needs of the whole child by creating an equity centered, engaging and personalized learning experience in an emotionally and physically safe environment for each child.

Session 1.2
Crisis, Community and Compassion: Leading with Love
Presented By: Kate O’Brien; Renton School District, Dedy Fauntleroy, Seattle School District; Brian Hanrahan, Anacortes School District; TJ Bell-Davis, Yakima School District
Summary: Through synthesis of ideas presented and published by scholars of Color and Indigenous leaders, participants will understand how to integrate the components of Leadership through Love as daily practice. Systems leaders will engage in sense-making activities to illuminate Love as a leadership move necessary for social and racial justice and for the elimination of oppression in schools and communities.

Session 1.3
Assessment and Accountability Considerations for Spring 2021 and Beyond: More than High Stakes Data
Presented By: Juan D’Brot, Center for Assessment
Summary: This session will focus on data loss due to the pandemic, high-stakes testing and accountability for SY 2020-2021, and data and evaluation considerations moving forward.

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Session 2.1  
**Fluency and equity: Helping all kids access grade-level text**  
**Presented By:** Tim Rasinski, Kent State University; Lynne Kulich, NWEA; Cindy Jiban, NWEA  
**Summary:** Learning to read with confidence can open doors to academic growth and opportunities. But what strategies can we implement to engage students falling behind? Join award-winning literacy scholar Tim Rasinski, along with NWEA® early literacy experts Lynne Kulich and Cindy Jiban, for an engaging look into the relationships between oral reading fluency, access to grade-level text, and equity for all. Presenters will also share practices you can implement today to support students at every level.

Session 2.2  
**Healing the Harm of School Systems: An Exploration of Systems Transformation and Student Success in Non-Punitive and Restorative Educational Contexts**  
**Presented By:** Kathryn Peterson, YouthBuild; Krista Fox, Tacoma Community College; Mike McCarthy, Everett School District  
**Summary:** This presentation will focus on why and how youth are systematically pushed out of traditional schooling, and explores models of non-exclusionary, restorative practices that empower youth to re-engage and complete their education. Participants will both reflect on their current school practices, the experiences of their most marginalized students, collaborate on transformative models, and co-construct strategies of improvement together.

Session 3.2  
**Finding our Roots: Understanding Inequity in Our System and Finding the Keys to Dismantling it, and Moving Forward**  
**Presented By:** Andrea Cobb, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation  
**Summary:** This session will situate some of the inequities we see in our current system within a historical context and provide some recommendations for addressing them moving forward.

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