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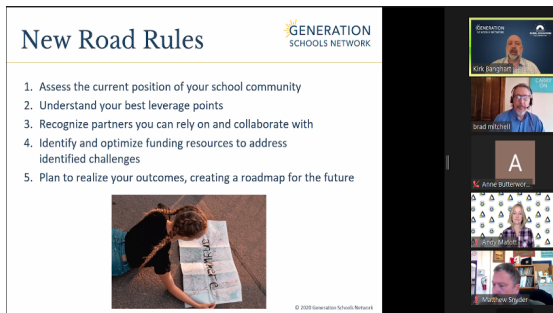
*Elevating the Education Experience*

**Vision** - All schools are vibrant, inclusive ecosystems that ensure every student thrives in school, work and life.

**Mission** - GSN co-creates healthy school ecosystems by partnering with educators, students, families and communities to elevate the education experience.

## Good News!

### **Sign-up Now! GSN Hosts Webinars for School Leaders - Offers Individualized Planning Template and FREE Planning Sessions for Districts/Schools**



Generation Schools Network will continue to [host webinars for district and school leaders](#) from throughout Colorado, Arizona, and Ohio to discuss options for how to utilize available ESSA/ESSER funds in effective and sustainable ways. Past attendees received a uniquely created ESSER planning template and can access free planning sessions. Our team can also host an

individualized one-on-one planning session with you. If you weren't able to join us, please sign-up in the events section for the next round of webinars or contact Alison Lauge at [alauge@generationschools.org](mailto:alauge@generationschools.org).

*Don't see your state mentioned? No problem! Just let us know!*

### **Omar D. Blair Joins Fit & Flow Program!**

We are proud to welcome a new school to our Fit & Flow Program! Omar D. Blair Charter School in Denver, Colorado will be starting Fit & Flow this month! The 6-week session includes:

- Live broadcasting of classes with professional instructors weekly.
- Ability to be used in PE classes, as a brain break activity or as a virtual activity with families at home.
- Program management support every step of the way.
- Variety of programming for middle school ages and up including Dance Fit, HIIT and Barre classes.



To learn more or get your district started in this program, contact CJ Roberts at [croberts@generationschools.org](mailto:croberts@generationschools.org).

### Coding in the Classroom Initiatives Make Impact!



GSN's *Coding in the Classroom* effort, funded through CDE's Computer Science Grants to schools and districts, is providing opportunities for students to learn coding and teachers to increase their capacity to teach coding and computer science state-wide. The initiative provides classroom

coding kits paired with an online platform, a monthly state-wide teacher Professional Learning Community (PLC) and teacher scholarships for acquiring additional training. According to Lana Gardner, Elementary Principal in Las Animas School District, with this program, "I am able to offer flexibility and differentiation easily within the parameters of each 'lesson!'". If you are interested in implementing this program, contact Anna Hogberg at [ahogberg@generationschools.org](mailto:ahogberg@generationschools.org).

### New *Exploring Culture, Identity, and Social Justice* SEL Unit Available in Our Online Store!

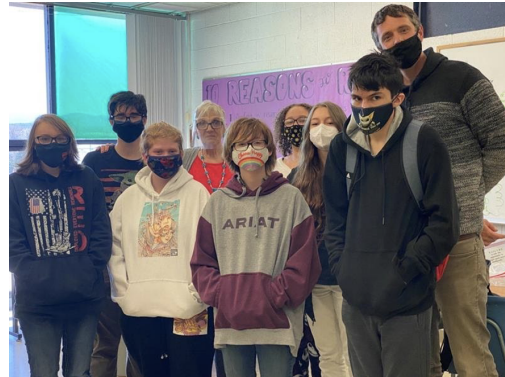


This new Elementary School Exploring Culture, Identity, and Social Justice unit helps students begin to understand the concepts of identity, culture, and diversity. It also explores how, while people across our globe are different from each other, we share certain things in common. The unit ends with a lesson that uses Dr. Seuss' story *Horton Hears a Who* as a gateway into a core tenet of social justice: the belief that every person matters. During the final project students will work together to build a culture of kindness in their classroom and in their homes. This unit is available for FREE on [our online store](#).

Available with student-facing materials in Spanish.

## Green Space Project Grows!

GSN is excited to be supporting the Green Space Project at Trinidad High School. Students, community partners, and school staff have created a 2-year community garden and learning space project. Student voice, food security, and Career and Technical Education credits are at the center of this community project. The project includes many aspects, such as:



- Greenhouse
- Raised Grow Beds
- Hydroponics
- Gourd Tunnels
- Student and Community Classroom Area
- Pond
- Composting
- Recycling Area

To learn more or get your district started in this program, contact CJ Roberts at [croberts@generationschools.org](mailto:croberts@generationschools.org).

*Photo: Students who are leading the effort following their presentation to the school board.*



## Upcoming Events!

### May 4th - 4-5pm MT

#### Info Session: Releasing your Inner Magician (RIM) Institute Summer Training for School Staff

SEL Forum Info Session: RIM training offered this summer to better assist your students and staff in their social-emotional health.

Please join the SEL forum with [this zoom link](#).

### May 6th - 4-4:45pm MT

#### Solutions to Address Learning Loss & Support SEL for Disengaged AZ Learners

Calling all Arizona school leaders and district administrators! Join [Generation Schools Network](#) for a live webinar.

[To register, click here!](#)

### May 11th - 10-11am MT

#### Everything Families Need to Know About IEPs, 504s, and ALPs (AM Session)

During this interactive webinar, parents, guardians, and extended family members will learn about the legal obligations and processes for requesting,

developing, and implementing Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), 504s, and Advanced Learning Plans (ALPs) utilizing a Multi Tiered Systems of Support approach.

[To register, click here!](#)

**May 11th - 6-7pm MT**

**Everything Families Need to Know About IEPs, 504s, and ALPs (PM Session)**

During this interactive webinar, parents, guardians, and extended family members will learn about the legal obligations and processes for requesting, developing, and implementing Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), 504s, and Advanced Learning Plans (ALPs) utilizing a Multi Tiered Systems of Support approach.

[To register, click here!](#)

**May 11th - 4-5pm MT**

**Everything Educators Need to Know About IEPs, 504s, and ALPs Part I**

During this interactive webinar, educators (including School Administrators, General Education Teachers, Special Education Staff, and Interventionists) will learn about the legal obligations and processes for developing and implementing Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), 504s, and Advanced Learning Plans (ALPs) utilizing a Multi Tiered Systems of Support approach.

[To register, click here!](#)

**May 12th - 8:30-4:30**

**Wheels to Work**

On May 12th, students across the Santa Fe Trail BOCES will gather in Las Animas, La Junta, and Rocky Ford to participate in a Wheels to Work College and Career Readiness event. This is an opportunity for 7th and 8th grade students across the six districts that participate in the SFT BOCES Pathway to Prosperity to learn about careers in their community in which vehicles are central to operation. Students will speak with businesses, organizations, and agencies and while observing their vehicles which range from city and utility vehicles to farm and ranch and health care.

**May 13th - 11-11:45am MT**

**Solutions to Address Learning Loss & Support SEL for Disengaged CO Learners**

Calling all Colorado school leaders and district administrators! Join [Generation Schools Network](#) for a live webinar.

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**May 13th - 2-2:45pm MT**

**Solutions to Address Learning Loss & Support SEL for Disengaged OH Learners**

Calling all Ohio school leaders and district administrators! Join [Generation Schools Network](#) for a live webinar.

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