



Ohio Deans Compact 13th Annual Statewide Conference
(in collaboration with OCTEO)
February 25-27, 2026

Call for Concurrent Session Proposals

The Ohio Deans Compact, in partnership with OCTEO, extends an invitation to institutions of higher education, P12 districts and schools, professional associations, state and regional personnel, and others to submit proposals to offer concurrent sessions at the 13th Annual Statewide Conference.

This year's theme – *The Power of the Teaching Profession: Creating Pathways to Accelerated Learning for All Students* – reflects the Compact's mission to support the preparation and professional learning of all practicing and future educators committed to improving learning opportunities and outcomes for all children and youth in Ohio.

Concurrent sessions will be held on the afternoon of Thursday, **February 26, 2026**. Each presentation should involve a combination of presentation and discussion. The Compact seeks proposals on the following priority areas but will consider submissions focused on other topics based on their alignment with Compact priorities:

- *Accelerating Learning in Literacy and/or Mathematics for All Students (including efforts to develop blended preparation programs leading to dual licensure)*
- *Workforce Development: Recruitment and Retention in Difficult-to-Staff Areas*
- *Workforce Development: Advancing Postsecondary Outcomes for Youth with Disabilities*
- *Improving Literacy Preparation and Practice Based on Reading Science*
- *Addressing Mental Health/Wellness Needs of Students and Educators*
- *Conducting Research in Promising Practices*

Please complete and submit your proposal to offer a concurrent session. Proposals are due by **November 7, 2025** and should be sent as a Word document to Deborah Telfer, PhD via email at Deborah.telfer@uc.edu. Lead presenters will be notified of acceptance on/around **January 30, 2026**.

Please note: presentations may **not** be used to sell or promote products or services.

Session Title:

Session Abstract (130 word maximum):

Session Overview (350 word maximum):

Describe your learning objectives, learner outcomes, the significance of your presentation to the Compact's priorities, and how your presentation supports the application of research/evidence to practice in PK20 settings.

Format of Presentation: Lecture/ panel presentation/ interactive:

Lead Presenter (i.e., presenter who will serve as contact person for the presentation):

Provide information about the presenter or presentation team members here. *Note: presentations that reflect strong IHE-school district partnership efforts will be given priority.*

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____
Post-nominal Letters (e.g., PhD, EdD, EdS, etc.) if applicable: _____
Title: _____
Organization (e.g., IHE, School District, Other Entity): _____
Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Co-presenter 1:

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____
Post-nominal Letters (e.g., PhD, EdD, EdS, etc.) if applicable: _____
Title: _____
Organization (e.g., IHE, School District, Other Entity): _____
Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Co-presenter 2:

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____
Post-nominal Letters (e.g., PhD, EdD, EdS, etc.) if applicable: _____
Title: _____
Organization (e.g., IHE, School District, Other Entity): _____
Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Other Presenters (provide information below for all additional presenters):

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____
Post-nominal Letters (e.g., PhD, EdD, EdS, etc.) if applicable: _____
Title: _____
Organization (e.g., IHE, School District, Other Entity): _____
Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Posting of Relevant Information:

I give permission to the Ohio Deans Compact to post information used as part of my presentation (e.g., PPT, handouts) on the Compact website following the conference.

Print and Sign Name of Lead Presenter: