

# NEW DIRECTORS' INSTITUTE 2023 (NDI)

## LEARNING TO LEAD TOGETHER: A VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

**NDI** is for synagogue Education Directors, Early Childhood Directors, Principals, Directors of Congregational Learning, and Clergy-Educators who have been hired within the past two years.

- Learn with leading Jewish educators
- Develop practical skills to succeed
- Become a member of a learning community
- Craft work plans to launch the new year
- Special Sessions for Early Childhood & Clergy-Educators

The cost for New Directors' Institute is \$250 with limited scholarships available. If you have questions, please contact Miriam Abrams-Stark at [mstark@uscj.org](mailto:mstark@uscj.org).

## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

**JULY 12, 2023 - 90 MINUTES**  
4:00PM PT | 5:00PM MT | 6:00PM CT | 7:00PM ET

**JULY 13, 17, & 18, 2023 - 4 HOURS EACH DAY**  
9:00AM PT | 10:00AM MT | 11:00AM CT | 12:00PM ET

This conference is designed for participants to attend all sessions.

**THE DEADLINE TO ENROLL IS JUNE 26, 2023**

**Presented by:**

United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

**In partnership with:**

Jewish Educators Assembly | Cantors Assembly | Rabbinical Assembly  
| Hebrew Union College | Association of Reform Jewish Educators |  
Reconstructing Judaism | Early Childhood Educators of Reform  
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# NEW DIRECTORS' INSTITUTE 2023 (NDI) INFORMATION SHEET

**We are very excited about this year's Virtual NDI 2023 conference!  
Below are the areas of focus for the conference and benefits of participating.**

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## **LEADERSHIP**

- Collaborate with new and experienced educators to formulate your style of leadership.
- Discuss setting priorities and understand what is Urgent, and what is not!
- Contemplating your own leadership style and finding your 'leadership voice'.
- Learn approaches to teacher hiring, mentoring and supervision.
- Experience a variety of teaching methodologies, with emphasis on experiential and interactive models of teaching and learning.

## **REFLECTION**

- How you can maximize your strengths for successful management.
- Consider how vision, goals and values inform practice.
- Time set aside for sharing and reflecting on your daily learning experiences.

## **PEER NETWORKS AND SUPPORT**

- "Peer- Pods" – small peer groups who will share and learn from one another during the conference.
- Creating a collegial network of Jewish educators for you to connect with post-conference.

## **SPECIAL COHORTS**

- **EARLY CHILDHOOD:** Separate sessions to address unique concerns and responsibilities for educational leaders in early childhood settings.
- **CLERGY EDUCATORS:** Separate sessions for rabbis and cantors who function primarily as educational leaders in their synagogues; will address unique situations and concerns.

## **PRE-WORK AND CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

- Some pre-work may be sent in advance of the conference to help you prepare for particular sessions.
- We will send you the full schedule the week leading up to the conference, as well as Zoom links, daily schedules, and updates during the conference.

We ensure an interactive experience with small group work, hevruta study, and opportunities to work with a variety of colleagues. We will use ZOOM to see your faces and hear your voices, and will be providing brief breaks away from the screen.

We look forward to learning with you!

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