



***Welcome to the 2025 Winter Symposium
“Bringing Our Curriculum to Life”***

Monday, February 17

7:30 a.m.	Registration & Breakfast	Grand Ballroom
8:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Keynote: <i>Bringing Leadership to Life</i> Alex Demczak	Grand Ballroom
9: 50 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.	<i>Shifting Classroom Practices to Lead to Mathematical Proficiency</i> Traci Gardner, DESE Content Director: Math	Grand Ballroom
11:00 a.m. – 12: 00 p.m.	<i>Q&A on Competency Based Learning</i> Panel Discussion	Grand Ballroom
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch	Hearth Room
1:10 p.m. - 2:10 p.m.	Using AI to bring Classroom Activities to Life Bob Martin, Tech Integration Specialist, Principal MOREnet, University of Missouri	Grand Ballroom
2:20 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.	<i>Using Primary/First-Hand Sources of Missourians to Bring ELA Non-Fiction to Life</i> Kayla Stewart, DESE Content Director: ELA	Grand Ballroom
3:20 - 3:30	Wrap-Up/Closing	Grand Ballroom
5:00 - 5:45	Attendee Reception	Hearth Room
5:45 - 7:45	Symposium Networking Dinner	Hearth Room



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7:30 - 8:15	Breakfast	Hearth Room
8:20 - 9:20	<i>Addressing the Literacy Needs of Secondary Teachers & Students</i> Lisa Scroggs, DESE Directory of Secondary Literacy	Grand Ballroom
9:20 - 10:20	<i>Using Missouri Museums to Enhance Your Social Studies Experience</i> Rhett Oldham, DESE Content Director Social Studies	Grand Ballroom
10:35 - 11:30	<i>DESE Assessment Updates</i> Shaun Bates, DESE Coordinator of Standards, Curriculum, and Assessment	Grand Ballroom
11:30 - 11:40	Conference Wrap-Up Al Richardson, SMCAA Professional Learning Coordinator	Grand Ballroom