30th ANNUAL

JOINT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2026

WYNDHAM RIVERFRONT HOTEL, NORTH LITTLE ROCK OR VIRTUAL

AGENDA

7:30 **CHECK-IN & BREAKFAST**

8:30 **WELCOME AND OVERVIEW OF THE DAY**
Doris Parham, President, Arkansas School Boards Association (ASBA)
Shannon Moore, Executive Director, ASBA

8:35 **ARKANSAS EDUCATION UPDATE**
Jacob Oliva, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Education

9:15 **FISCAL STRATEGIES FOR ENROLLMENT SHIFTS**
Dr. Mike Hernandez, Superintendent, Hot Springs School District

10:15 **BREAK**

10:30 **FROM HEADLINE TO HALLWAYS: ALIGNING COMMUNITY EXPECTATIONS WITH SCHOOL REALITY**
Dr. Jermall Wright, Superintendent, Little Rock School District

11:30 **NETWORKING LUNCH**

12:30 **SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION PANEL**
Texarkana School District
Searcy School District
Facilitated by: Jason Jones, ASBA Board of Directors & Yellville-Summit School Board Member

1:45 **BREAK**

2:00 **FOIA, LEGAL UPDATES, AND LESSONS FROM THE FIELD**
Cody Kees, Attorney, Bequette, Billingsley & Kees, P.A.

2:45 **Q & A / CLOSING**
Dr. Megan Duncan, Executive Director, AAEA

3:00 **ADJOURN**