

2026-2027 ACIS PD Series Subscription Information

ACIS is pleased to again offer a robust and diverse PD webinar series for the 2026-2027 school year. Electing to register as a school for the series subscription offers several attractive benefits:

- Unlimited access to any and all 26-27 program series offerings.
- Unlimited number of school employees and/or trustees can attend any/all offerings at no additional costs.
- One simple bill at the beginning of the year as opposed to multiple individual bills to process scattered throughout the year.
- Cost savings vs. a la carte registration. Individual registrations typically run between \$60-\$300 per person depending upon the event.
- An easy, affordable and encouraging PD program for all employees and trustees. No expensive travel; the ability to view slide decks and recordings on your own schedule if needed; the ability to share content with others in your community as desired, and the opportunity to further develop collegial relationships with others in ACIS. Once registered, all you have to do is let people in your school know the full menu is available to them so they just need to register for what seems pertinent.
- Rural/geographically isolated schools find the program even more beneficial given the difficulty and expense of sending people to in person programs.

Below is the 25-26 PD Series offerings as an illustration of program. The 26-27 schedule is being developed but will include a similar depth and breadth of programming. Offerings are also added throughout the school year as topics, interests and needs arise.

The cost for the entire program for any and all employees/trustees is a one-time \$1,500 fee.

To register your school for the 26-27 PD Series, please click here:

<https://forms.gle/96hshvStCFeZm2zN8>. Only one person from each school needs to register in order to get full access for your community.

Thank you for considering this program for your community. If you have any questions, please let us know.

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Professional Development Series 2025-2026 Academic Year

ACIS is pleased to announce the initial ACIS 2025-2026 Professional Development Series. While still being expanded and intentionally designed to allow for flexibility as the year unfolds, we already have a wide range of valuable learning and collaboration opportunities scheduled for the academic year.

For a **one-time \$1500 fee**, a school can register **unlimited participants to all listed webinars, selected in-person events, and the spring governance webinar as well as recordings of most webinars** (not including the fall leadership conference, ISACS collaborations, or other in-person events). Additional events will be added as part of the subscription offerings as unique needs and opportunities arise, and more specific dates and times will be determined in the coming months. A school subscription offers significantly discounted costs for multiple participants, unlimited staff/trustee access, access to webinar recordings, and simplified payment for the year.

More detailed information about each offering and unique registrations for each event will be provided prior to each event.

Payment Options-

1. **Annual Subscription-** any and all school employees/trustees can attend any and all listed and added events for a one-time \$1500 fee.
2. **A la Carte-** pay as you go per registrant. Most webinars will be \$50 per person; the spring governance webinar will be \$90 per person.

To register your school, click [HERE](#).

2025-2026 ACIS Professional Development Series Initial Offerings

1. **Division Heads Webinar Series-** Division Heads- (See attached flier for more information)
 - a. Presenter- Bill Wolf-Tinsman- Think Like a Principal Consulting
 - b. Topic—**Building your Team: Working with faculty and staff as a Division Head**
 - c. Location- via Zoom

Wednesday, October 22 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm (Zoom)

Wednesday, October 29 4:00 pm 5:30 pm (Zoom)

Wednesday, November 5 4:00-5:30 pm (Zoom)

Wednesday, November 12 4:00 - 5:30 pm (Zoom)

Free with subscription

A la Carte = \$300 per person

2. **New Heads Program** (in conjunction with CAIS and ISAS)

- 8 webinars, dates TBD
- Information has been communicated to new, first-time heads

Free with subscription

A la Carte = \$300 per person

3. **Heads of School, Business Managers, Development Officers**

- Topic: **Capital Planning, Building Reserves**
- Presenter: Chad Christoff, Stifel
- Date: Thursday, September 18th at 9:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription

A la Carte = \$50 per person

4. **DEI Directors, Division Heads, HR and Heads of School**

- Topic: **DEI Master Class Part 1: What This Moment Affords You- Critique vs. Attack**
- Presenter: Andre Withers, Educators Collaborative
- Date: Monday, September 29th at 10 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription

A la Carte = \$50 per person

5. **Fall Admissions Meetings**

- Topic: **Navigating Demographic Shifts: Enrollment Tools for Today**
- Presenter: Dana Nelson-Isaacs, Founder and Principal at DNI Consulting
- Date: Friday, October 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free for all Admissions folks

6. **Heads of School, Division Heads, Deans of Faculty, Teaching Mentors**

- Topic: **Observation Strategies, Coaching Techniques, Feedback Cycle**
- Presenter: Julie Eber, JL Visions Consulting
- Date: Thursday, October 23rd from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Location: Via Zoom
Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

7. Heads of School, Division Heads, Deans of Students, Learning Specialists, Directors of Admissions, School Counselors

- Topic: **Beyond the Headlines: Student Learning Growth and Well-Being in Independent Schools**
- Presenter: Kelly Bornmann, ERB
- Date: Thursday, November 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom
Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

8. DEI Directors, Division Heads, HR and Heads of School

- Topic: **DEI Master Class Part 2: What This Moment Affords You: Guidance for Creating a Revised Path (Compliance)**
- Presenter: Andre Withers, Educators Collaborative
- Date: Thursday, November 13th from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

9. Heads of School, HR and Business Managers

- Topic: **HR/benefits-focused presentation, along with risk management for Independent Schools**
- Presenter: Smith & Howard
- Date: Tuesday, November 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

10. Heads of School, Board Members

- Topic: **Best Practices for Head Evaluation**
- Presenter: Cliff Kling, Senior Executive Compensation and Leadership Strategist at Mission & Data
- Date: Wednesday, December 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

11. Heads of School, HR, Division Heads

- Topic: **Managing and Documenting Difficult Employee Situations**
- Presenter: Angie DeVine, S&D Law
- Date: Thursday, December 11th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

12. Heads of School, Division Heads, CFOs

- Topic: **Implementing Strategic Projects**
- Presenter: Ross Wehner, World Leadership School
- Date: Tuesday, January 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

13. Heads of School, Deans of Students, School Counselors, Middle and Upper School Division Heads, Athletic Directors, Math Teachers

- Topic: **Exposing Sports Gambling: Correcting the Illusion of Control**
- Presenter: Arty Smith, Math Teacher at Kent Denver and Founder of Gambling Awareness Initiative
- Date: Tuesday, January 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

14. Heads of School

- Topic: **Are We Solving the Right Problem? A Case-Driven Framework for School Business Decisions**
- Presenter: Peter Baron, Founder at MoonshotOS
- Date: Wednesday, January 14th from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

15. Heads of School, CFOs, and Leadership Team Members

- Topic: **Tap Dancing on Marbles: Key Concepts, Indicators & Strategies to Move from Viability to Financial & Organizational Sustainability**
- Presenters: Ari Betof, co-founder and partner of Mission & Data and Sadie Albertyn, Senior Organizational Effectiveness Strategist of Mission & Data
- Date: Thursday, January 15, 2026, from 4:30-5:30 p.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free for all ACIS member schools

16. Heads of School, Division Heads, HR

- Topic: **Culture in Action: Tools for Measuring Trust and Leading Change in Schools**
- Presenter: Cara Gallagher, Founder of CGC
- Date: Tuesday, January 27th at 9:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription

A la Carte = \$50 per person

17. Heads of School, Board Members, CFOs, Development Officers

- Topic: **2026 Capital Markets Forecast: Opportunities and Risks Impacting your School's Investment Portfolio**
- Presenter: Jim Brauer, Managing Director at Syntrinsic
- Date: Tuesday, February 10th at 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription

A la Carte = \$50 per person

18. Heads of School, CFOs, and Leadership Team Members

- Topic: **Tap Dancing on Marbles: Key Concepts, Indicators & Strategies to Move from Viability to Financial & Organizational Sustainability Part 2**
- Presenters: Ari Betof, co-founder and partner of Mission & Data and Sadie Albertyn, Senior Organizational Effectiveness Strategist of Mission & Data
- Date: Wednesday, February 11, 2026 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:15p.m. MDT
- Location: Via Zoom

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19. Heads of School (primary audience), CFOs/Business Officers, Enrollment Managers, Development Directors, and Board Finance leaders

- Topic: **Senior Leader Business Strategy Cohort: : Five Working Sessions to Strengthen the School Model**
- Presenter: Peter Baron, Founder, MoonshotOS

- Date: Beginning Thursday, February 12th from 11:00 a.m to 12:00 p.m. **Please view description**
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$150 per school

20. Division Heads, Deans of Faculty

- Topic: **AI and Curriculum: The Dynamics Duo**
- Presenter: Cindy Blackburn, Toddle
- Date: Tuesday, February 17thth from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

21. Division Heads, Heads of School

- Topic: **The Neuroscience of Play: A Powerful Tool for Learning**
- Presenter: Mia Sundstrom, Director for Play Transformation at the National Institute for Play
- Date: Thursday, February 19th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

22. Heads of School

- Topic: **Leading During Challenging Times**
- Presenter: Jennifer D. Klein, CEO at Principled Learning Strategies
- Date: Tuesday, March 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

23. Heads of School, Trustees, HR directors, Division Heads

- Topic: **Search Readiness Matters: Preparing Your School for a Successful Leadership Transition**
- Presenter: Tim Viands, President, IndySchool Consultancy
- Date: Thursday, April 9th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
A la Carte = \$50 per person

24. Independent School Trustees, Heads, Directors & Aspiring Heads

- Topic: **Becoming a Board of the Future**
- Presenter: Mark Crotty
- Date: Monday, April 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

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 \$90 per person for non-subscription members
 Pricing Non-ACIS Members: \$95 per person

25. Heads of School, Technology Directors, CFOs

- Topic: **Cyber Liability Insurance Protection: Protect Your School and Students In The Event You Are Breached**
- Presenter: Pam Adams, PRESIDENT & CEO at ISU and Zack Kramer, Area Senior Vice President at ISU
- Date: Wednesday, April 15th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom
 Free with subscription
 A la Carte = \$50 per person

26. Heads of School, Development Officers

- Topic: **Accelerating your Annual Fund Participation: Peer-to-Peer Campaign Strategy**
- Presenter: Mandy Brindle and Lily Shaw at Boost My School
- Date: Tuesday, April 21st from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Location: Via Zoom

Free with subscription
 A la Carte = \$50 per person

27. Spring Admissions Workshop

- Presenter: Christina Dotchin, Chief Program Officer, E3n (EMA+ERB)
- Date: Friday, May 8th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- Location: Aspen Academy

Free Event
 Lunch fee = \$20 per person