

# Public Education Network: Public school advocates to gather in South Milwaukee Thursday, August 10 for 9th Annual Summer Summit

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On Thursday, August 10, a nonpartisan coalition of public education advocates from across Wisconsin will gather at South Milwaukee High School for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Wisconsin Public Education Network **Summer Summit**. This one-of-a-kind event brings everyone together, from administrators and board members to parents, caregivers, educators, community volunteers, and more, for a full-day deep dive into this year's theme: **ACCOUNTABILITY IN ACTION**: how we can hold ourselves, our schools, and our leaders accountable for making sure every child in every public school has what they need to thrive.

Highlights of the day include:

- Welcome remarks from Superintendent of Public Instruction **Dr. Jill Underly**
- Featured panels on **Accountability in Action**, in a three-part series with experts and advocates from around the state and the country
- Premiere of a new **Public Schools Unite Us video** by Emmy Award-winning creators Micah Davis and Steve Betchkal of **Soul Shine Creative Studio**
- **Action-focused breakout sessions, workshops, and conversations** with school leaders, educators, experts, organizers, public office holders, and experienced organizers on how to hold ourselves, our schools, and our leaders accountable for ensuring every child in every public school has the opportunity to

thrive. Panels and presenters will cover the most pressing challenges facing our schools – from how to best support Wisconsin students, to privatization and school funding, local level organizing, legislative challenges, and much more.

The **School District of South Milwaukee**, a longtime district partner of Wisconsin Public Education Network, is hosting this year's Summer Summit.

**Thanks to the generosity of Summer Summit sponsors, we are offering a limited-time "Procrastinator Party" ticket for 50% off this weekend!** ~~\$40~~ **\$20** standard tickets include attendance at the all-day Summit, lunch catered by Skyline Catering, light breakfast sponsored by the UW-Whitewater College of Education & Professional Studies. Staff at the School District of South Milwaukee may attend for free. All are welcome to join a free welcome reception from 5:30-7:30pm on Wednesday, August 9 at the Bucyrus Club in South Milwaukee, sponsored by WEAC Region 7.

Members of the press are encouraged to register using a Press Pass and to cover the event.

Contact [Christian@WisconsinNetwork.org](mailto:Christian@WisconsinNetwork.org) for a press kit or to make interview arrangements.

We're ready to dig into urgent topics, from tricky political rhetoric to student mental health & navigating school board engagement, protecting students' freedom to learn, understanding how privatization and school funding really work, organizing to take action, and much more. **Learn more and register today at [WisconsinNetwork.org/Summit](https://WisconsinNetwork.org/Summit).**