

## FUTURE EDUCATORS WORKSHOP

Nov. 12-14, 2023 | Cragun's Resort, Brainerd

SUNDAY, NOV 12	
1:45 pm	<b>Arrival   Cragun's Lobby</b>
2:00 pm	<b>Welcome   Tech 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bob Indihar</b>, Executive Director, MREA</li> <li>• <b>Facilitators:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Dr. Boyd Bradbury</b>, Professor, Minnesota State University -- Moorhead</li> <li>○ <b>Dr. Kathrina O'Connell</b>, Assistant Professor, Bemidji State University</li> <li>○ <b>Dr. Danielle Schock</b>, Assistant Professor, Winona State University</li> <li>○ <b>Sonia Wadena</b>, Indian Education Director, Bemidji Area Schools</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
2:10 pm	<b>Student Intros &amp; Icebreaker / Mentor Meeting</b>
2:30 pm	<b>Panel: Rewards and Challenges of Teaching in Rural Places</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>MREA Board of Directors:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Craig Brenden</b>, Music Educator, Waseca Schools</li> <li>○ <b>Tammy Roth</b>, Counselor, Morris Area Schools</li> <li>○ <b>Sonia Wadena</b>, Indian Education Director, Bemidji Area Schools</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
3:15 pm	<b>Break</b>
3:30 pm	<b>Partner Greeting: Christine Grams</b> , School Workforce Specialist, Sourcewell
3:40 pm	<b>Speaker: Rural Teacher Leadership</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Jenny Maras</b>, Business Educator, Morris Area Schools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 2022 MREA Educator of Excellence</li> <li>○ 2023 National Rural Teacher of the Year</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
4:15 pm	<b>Summit Schedule Review &amp; Closing</b>
4:45 pm	<b>Lodging Check-in   Hotel Lobby</b>
5:30 pm	<b>Social Hour   Event Centre</b>
6:00 pm	<b>Awards Banquet &amp; Program   Event Centre</b>
7:30 pm	<b>Welcome &amp; Dessert Reception   Poolside</b>
MONDAY, NOV 13	
7:00 am	<b>Breakfast Available   Main Dining Room</b>
8:15 am	<b>Summit Welcome &amp; Opening Songs   Event Centre</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keynote Address: <i>Rural People as Powerful Agents of Change</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Tuleah Palmer</b>, Chief Executive Officer, Blandin Foundation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
9:45 am	<b>Break   Event Centre</b>

10:00 am	<b>Session 1: Ditch the Ordinary &amp; Find YOUR Extraordinary!   Tech 2</b> <b>OR Breakout Choice</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Wendy Schoolmeester</b>, Professor Emeritus, Southwest Minnesota State University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Personal Branding</li> <li>○ Teacher Portfolios</li> <li>○ Resume and Cover Letter Guidelines</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
11:15 am	<b>Session 2: Administrator Q&amp;A Panel   Tech 2 OR Breakout Choice</b>
12:15 pm	<b>Lunch</b>   Main Dining Room
1:30 pm	<b>Session 3: Interviewing Insights   Tech 2</b>
2:45 pm	<b>Break</b>   Poolside
3:00 pm	<b>Mindstorm</b>   Poolside
4:00 pm	<b>Legislative Update Session</b>   Main Dining Room <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Session: <i>What's Next for Rural Schools?</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sam Walseth</b>, Legislative Action Director, MREA</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
5:00 pm	<b>Summit Showcase &amp; Light Dinner</b>   Event Centre
7:00 pm	<b>Member Meetup</b>   Poolside
<b>TUESDAY, NOV 14</b>	
7:00 am	<b>Breakfast Available</b>   Main Dining Room
7:30 am	<b>Evaluation Meeting</b>   South Dining Room
8:15 am	<b>Session 4: Student Choice</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Recommended:</i> Rural Teacher Leadership Panel   Lakeshore 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2023 Educators of Excellence</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
9:30 am	<b>Closing</b>   Event Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closing Speaker: <i>Cultivate Youth Well-Being for the Future of Education</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Brandon Jones</b>, Executive Director, MN Assn for Children's Mental Health</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

*Sessions in blue are student-only sessions. Sessions in black are all-attendee sessions and activities.*

Thanks to our Partner

