2025 BEST Grantee Convening FAQ

Registration

How many participants may a grantee register for the convening?

BEST initially offers six registrations for each Individual District Grantee and nine for each Consortium. We expect some Grantees/Consortiums to register less participants. If your system wishes to register more than initially offered, please indicate this in the Grantee Leader Registration survey. If you are a mentor from a Grantee or Consortium and you don't have access to the registration link, please reach out to your District/ESD lead to request access.

What is the deadline for registration?

If you are a District or Consortium Leader, you will need to complete the 2025 BEST Grantee Convening/ Grantee Leaders Survey provided by

February 21 (Fri.) at 5pm.

If you are a mentor or convening participant from a Grantee District, please reach out to your BEST Lead to get access to the 2025 BEST Grantee Convening Participant Registration Form. Registration will stay open until the opening session.

If I am not employed by a BEST Grantee, may I still attend and how can I request registration information?

If there is registration space available, we will offer an opportunity for you to attend. Please reach out to BEST at best@k12.wa.us to request the registration link.

Meeting Access

Where is the convening held?

This is a virtual convening. Participants will receive a Zoom link after registration.

How do I access the zoom link for the sessions I wish to attend?

Following your registration, you will receive zoom links for all sessions via email following your registration. A complete program with zoom links for each session will be made available at the opening session on March 18th as well.

Will the sessions be recorded?

The Convening will not be recorded. However, we will provide access to presentation resources and materials.

Will session presentation material be available and how might I access them?

Yes, presentation materials for the sessions will be made available following the convening. BEST will share a link for participants to access the resource folder.



Clock Hours

Are clock hours available and how might a participant access the clock hours?

Yes, **4-clock hours** will be awarded to registered participants with full attendance within 2 weeks after the Convening. Participants wishing to receive clock hours must register on <u>pdEnroller</u>. The link will also be shared in the confirmation email after registration.

Attendance will be verified by participation time recorded on Zoom.

Convening Program

What is the content of the Opening and Closing Sessions hosted by BEST and who should attend?

BEST suggests all attendees attend the opening and closing session. Please see the Convening Program for details of the content. Participants will receive convening logistical reminders and welcome messages during the opening session and will receive BEST program updates during the closing session hosted by BEST.

How will I choose which presentations to attend?

Please see the Convening Program. "Intended Audience" is listed for each presentation on the session schedule.

What standards will the sessions touch upon?

Please see the Convening Program. Each presentation is connected to an Induction Standard and a Mentoring Standard if applicable.

What should I bring to the convening?

Please bring your questions and problems of practice regarding Comprehensive Early Career Educator Induction. Sessions will include presentation time and collaborative time with other grantees.

Be prepared to select break rooms during convening sessions for collaboration time. Depending on the number of participants, breakout rooms will be offered by size of district. For example, if you are from a smaller district you would opt into "Smallish" breakout rooms. You get to define what size system you represent with these suggestions:

- "Smallish" One school building serving K-12 or a system with two campuses.
- "Mediumish" System serving one comprehensive high school with several middle and elementary schools.
- "Largish" System with several comprehensive high schools and with several middle schools and elementary schools.

For any other questions, please contact best@k12.wa.us