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AI & Accessibility in Education – The 2024 Blaschke Report

CoSN in partnership with CAST recently released a comprehensive report entitled “*AI and Accessibility in Education*”. The report examines the transformative potential of artificial intelligence (AI) to enhance educational accessibility and support for students, particularly those with disabilities. As AI technologies like Generative AI (GenAI) and assistive tools become increasingly prevalent in educational settings, it is crucial to understand both their benefits and limitations.

The *AI and Accessibility in Education* report emphasizes that the integration of AI in education holds significant promise for enhancing accessibility and support for all students. By placing a strong emphasis on inclusive design, implementing comprehensive policies and fostering ongoing professional development, educators have the opportunity to create a future where every student, regardless of their background or abilities, can thrive and reach their full potential through the thoughtful integration of AI. An executive summary of the report is available at <https://www.cosn.org/2024-blaschke-executive-summary/>. The full report serves as a comprehensive guide for educators, district leaders and policymakers, providing insights into the benefits and challenges of AI in education and offering practical strategies for its effective and ethical implementation enabling accessibility. You are welcome to download the complete CoSN/CAST “*AI and Accessibility in Education*” report at <https://www.cosn.org/tools-and-resources/resource/blaschke-report-ai-accessibility-in-education/>.

The CoSN/CAST “*AI and Accessibility in Education*” Report was made possible through the support of The Blaschke Fund, which was created by CoSN to support emerging leaders in education technology policy and advocacy. This memorial fund honors the late-industry giant, Charles Blaschke, who conducted pioneering research and analysis on the ever-changing U.S. education landscape for over 50 years. The Blaschke funded “*AI and Accessibility in Education*” Report was prepared by Fernanda Pérez Perez, 2024 Charles Blaschke Scholarship Fellow.

CoSN/AASA EmpowerED Superintendents edLeader Panel Series

CoSN, AASA, and edWeb.net co-host an online edLeader Panel broadcast series, sponsored by ClassLink, to help superintendents, district and school leaders and teachers connect and collaborate. Participants can join the live event or view recordings and podcast versions starting a day or two after the live broadcast.

The upcoming November 11, 2024 (5:00 pm Eastern Time) edLeader Panel broadcast is titled “*Leading and Leveraging Artificial Intelligence Tools Within K-12 School Districts*”. Three leading-edge superintendents share how they continue to lead the effective uses of AI within multiple school functions, including school operations, as well as in teaching and learning, while also dealing with the challenges that AI can present. You are invited to learn more and register for free at <https://home.edweb.net/webinar/supers20241111/>.

If you missed the October 14, 2024, broadcast on *Cybersecurity in School District Settings: A District Leadership Approach*, you are welcome to sign up for free to view the recording and/or listen to the podcast at <https://home.edweb.net/webinar/supers20241014/>.

CoSN 2025 Conference:

The CoSN 2025 Conference is going to take place in Seattle, Washington from March 31 through April 2, 2025, at the Hyatt Regency Seattle. You can learn more about CoSN 2025 and view the list of Pre-Conference Events and the CoSN 2025 “Schedule at a Glance” agenda at: <https://www.cosn.org/cosn2025/>

CoSN Membership:

Join other Educational Service Agencies by taking advantage of **CoSN's Bulk Membership Program** today! At CoSN, we believe in fostering a community where every school district, regardless of size, can thrive and excel in the digital age.

Here's what we offer:

- **10% Discount for Medium, Large, and Mega Large Districts:** We understand the challenges faced by districts with larger student populations. That's why we're thrilled to offer a generous 10% discount on membership dues for districts classified as Medium, Large, and Mega Large. Dive into a wealth of resources, tools, and networking opportunities at a fraction of the cost.
- **Complimentary Membership for Small Districts:** We're committed to leveling the playing field for all districts, including those with smaller enrollments. With our Bulk Membership Program, school districts with fewer than 2,500 students receive complimentary membership. Yes, you read that right—access our resources and connect with industry experts without spending a dime on membership dues!

Why CoSN?

- **Access Unparalleled Resources and Networking:** Gain exclusive access to cutting-edge insights, best practices, and research-driven solutions tailored to the unique needs of educational leaders. Forge invaluable connections with peers, industry experts, and thought leaders, propelling your district towards digital excellence.
- **Stay Ahead of the Curve:** In today's rapidly evolving educational landscape, staying ahead of the curve is non-negotiable. CoSN equips you with the knowledge, tools, and strategies needed to navigate the complexities of digital learning, ensuring your district remains at the forefront of innovation.

If you are interested in receiving a quote for your districts, please contact Me'Shell Sheffield at msheffield@cosn.org.