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## September 16, 2026 | 12 - 1 CT / 1 - 2 ET

Zoom Link: https://edtrust.zoom.us/j/2857360736?omn=86213745879

| Time | Topic | Speaker |
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| **12:00 - 12:05 CT** | **Welcome**<br>• Welcome! Please in the chat share your:<br>  ○ Name, role & organization<br>  ○ What is your favorite fall activity, or thing this fall you are looking forward to?<br><br>**Circle Up PowerPoint**<br><br>**Alliance Updates**<br>• **TAEE Partnership Guidebook (members only page,** password taee)<br><br>**Alliance Survey + Fall Engagement 2026 Preview**<br>• 1:1s<br>• Mid Year Survey:<br><br>**Regional Roundtables** (Memphis 11/10, Chattanooga 11/12, Knoxville 11/17, Johnson City 11/18, Nashville 12/4)<br>*Email Meili asap if you have not already to confirm cohosting to finalize website.* Cohosting means:<br><br>• Be featured on the event flyer and website (see **example from last year**)<br>• Be featured on the cohost book in each stop (see **example of 60 orgs included last year**)<br>• Help promote (we'll provide a toolkit - **see example from last year**)<br>• Be highlighted as a regional bright spot, or help facilitate group conversations<br>• Have opportunity to share resources for your organization at roundtable you attend<br><br>**Happy Hispanic Heritage Month!** | Meili Powell, ET-TN |

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| **12:05 - 12:15 CT** | **State Support for Accreditation NPRM Engagement**<br>Accreditation Needs Reform. ED's Forthcoming Proposed Rule Misses the Mark - EdTrust<br>Accreditation Public Comment Resource, EdTrust and Lawyers' Committee - Google Docs | Zaria Ealy, EdTrust-National<br>Questions reach out: zealy@edtrust.org |
| **12:15 - 12:55 CT** | **2027 Alliance Policy Agenda Feedback**<br>• Breakout 1: Rigorous, Accessible, and Affirming Learning Experiences<br>• Breakout 2: Funding and Resource Equity<br>• Breakout 3: Educator Diversity and Quality<br>• Breakout 4: Social-Emotional and Academic Development<br>• Breakout 5: Higher Education Access and Success<br><br>Discussion Questions:<br>• Which of these equity action options is resonating most with you?<br>• When you think about the upcoming legislative session and new gubernatorial administration, which of these feel most urgent to include?<br>• What is missing?<br>• Additional thoughts/parking lot | Meili Powell and Nikkolette Hunter, ET-TN |
| **12:55 - 1:00 CT** | **Step into the Circle**<br>• **Partner Announcements**<br>○ Add here!<br>○ Be About Change and My Brother's Keeper co-host, Vamos a Leer @ 7:00 pm, the 4th Tuesday of each month on Ibiza Life \| Home https://www.ibizalifenashville.com/ | |

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| **1:00 CT** | **Closing**<br>● Next Circle Up<br>○ October 21, 12 - 1 CT | Meili, EdTrust TN |