

# EDUCATION NEWS & NOTES

## A Magnet For Teachers

(NAPSA)—If you were like many children, you may have wondered where teachers go when school is out.

A lot of dedicated, ambitious educators go where they can learn a few lessons themselves.

For example, year after year, thousands of educators representing a diverse range of professional roles, countries and experience levels; leading education experts; hundreds of exhibitors; and journalists and education bloggers choose to attend an annual conference and exhibit show for an unrivaled, world-class professional development experience where they can explore what committed educators are doing to support the success of each learner.

The conference is run by ASCD (formerly the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development), an educational leadership organization dedicated to advancing best practices and policies for the success of each learner. This year's theme is "Learning: Our Story. Our Time. Our Future."

More than 400 sessions will be available on topics ranging from teacher effectiveness to leadership strategies to implementing the Common Core State Standards. In addition, sessions will focus on effectively integrating the latest technology into instruction. All sessions are developed so that educators can return to their schools and districts and quickly implement what they've learned.

An international panel will bring attendees new perspectives on education from around the globe. The association is injecting a strong student voice into the event as well, with a student panel that will focus on the perspective



### **Committed teachers are drawn to opportunities to learn.**

of education's most important stakeholders. In addition, there'll be book signings and author talks where attendees can ask questions and hear about the books they use from the authors they admire.

The 2013 ASCD Annual Conference, held in Chicago from March 16 to 18, even offers attendees opportunities to build their personal networks.

Notable speakers include the poet Maya Angelou; former Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor; Consuelo Castillo Kickbusch, founder of Educational Achievement Services, Inc.; Tim Shriver, chairman and CEO of the Special Olympics; and Freeman Hrabowski, president of UMBC.

"ASCD invites educators of all levels from around the world to join us for this premier education event," said Executive Director and CEO of ASCD Dr. Gene R. Carter. "Now is the time for educators worldwide to join together to tell our story and prepare for our future."

For more information about ASCD or to register for the Annual Conference and Exhibit Show, visit [www.ascd.org](http://www.ascd.org).