

Participation in the EdTech Advocacy and Policy Summit in Washington, D.C. on May 10-11, 2017

Frankie Jackson participated in the [EdTech Advocacy and Policy Summit](#) on [May 10-11, 2017](#) in Washington, D.C. on behalf of the Consortium of School Networking (CoSN). The summit was sponsored by the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE), the Consortium for School Networking (CoSN) and the State Educational Technology Directors Association (SETDA).

The first day included meeting with technology leaders of large district and industry partners that support large districts.

Conducted in partnership with the National School Boards Association, the Digital School Districts Survey gave a presentation on how information technology is applied to improve service delivery and quality of education to public schools.

Additionally the U.S. Department of Education presented the new Rapid Cycle Technology Evaluation system which is designed to help districts determine if technology is improving academic performance in their school systems.



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The following are pictures from the first day of the EdTech Advocacy and Policy summit on **May 10, 2017**. It was a unique opportunity to work with the largest districts in the nation and leaders in the field of Education Technology.



The RCE Coach can help you answer important questions such as:

- Does a specific educational technology program lead to the student outcomes you want to see?
- Should you keep paying for a software tool you're already using?
- Does a software tool support more effective teacher professional development?
- How should I set up an effective pilot?

Digital Districts Panel with 2015-2016 National Winners



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The morning of the EdTech Advocacy and Policy summit on [May 11, 2017](#), discussions focused on the new presidential administration as it brings forth a new chair of the Federal Communications Commission. This update included an overview of what happened in 2016 regarding E-Rate and a look forward to potential changes in 2017.



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Technology Officers Across the Nation Preparing to Talk to Senators and Representatives about Sustaining E-Rate Funding



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The afternoon of the EdTech Advocacy and Policy summit on **May 11, 2017** included travelling to Capitol Hill to meet with representatives from House and Senate offices. It concluded with a networking reception with peers, national leaders and congressional staff. The primary goal for meeting with representatives was to raise awareness of policy agenda that advances federal funding for education technology and protects e-rate funding. See this [article](#) that recently came out that includes an interview with Frankie about E-Rate funding.

Frankie met with staff members in the following political offices.

Senator: John Cornyn
Room: 517 Hart Senate

Senator: Ted Cruz
Room: 404 Russell Senate

House Representative: Brian Babin
Room: 316 Cannon

House Representative: Bill Flores
Room 2440 Rayburn

