



# PLACE-BASED EDUCATION CONFERENCE

**November 12-14, 2025**

**Eastern Michigan University  
& locations across Southeast Michigan**



## The Power of Place

The National Place-Based Education Conference is the premiere gathering in North America for hundreds of educators and organizations dedicated to increasing relevance and meaning in learning by teaching through authentic, real-world student experiences. Together, this community is leading a global education movement to create transformative, empowering opportunities for youth to learn through, and take action in, their local community and environment.

For 15 years, the PBE Conference has cultivated an innovative, supportive, and beloved community of thousands of educators, school and community leaders, scholars, and organizations dedicated to the power of learning through place.

Thanks to our generous sponsor community, we are proud to offer one of the most affordable national conferences of its type, and minimize barriers to this one-of-a-kind event for educators, students, and organizations across the U.S. and beyond.

**We invite you to help us share the power of place-based teaching and learning by sponsoring the 2025 conference!**

2025 Conference Host:



Conference Organizer:



2025 Conference Host:





# Sponsorship Opportunities



## Friend (\$500 - \$999)

It takes a village to organize a national conference focused on place-based education in K-12 schools and communities—the only one of its kind in North America. Friends of the Conference provide essential financial security to help organizers focus on creating a powerful event for attendees!

## Steward (\$1,000 - \$1,999)

Nurturing a community of dedicated, passionate educators and community leaders is a core goal of the conference. Your support at this level provides stewardship of that community and helps us provide access through scholarships and registration discounts!

## Changemaker (\$2,000-\$2,999)

The PBE conference prioritizes taking attendees out into the community and region for transformative, real-world experiences that restore, rejuvenate, and inspire. Your support at this level helps to make relevant and meaningful experiences in Ypsilanti, Detroit, and across Southeast Michigan possible!

## Keynote (\$3,000 - \$4,999)

We feature world-class leaders and visionaries as keynote speakers to share about the future of education, our communities, and our connections to the places we call home. Help us gather the most inspiring and innovative speakers to share essential messages with our conference community!

## Sustainer (\$5,000-\$7,499)

Renowned across the U.S. by those innovating toward the future of education, the PBE conference is deeply valued for the ideas, resources, solutions, and mentorship exchanged each time we gather. Help us sustain this essential gathering point and its impact on hundreds of educators and communities!

## Presenter: \$7,500+

Just as the PBE Conference leads the way in connecting education to the health and future of our communities and environment, you can lead the way in making this gathering possible and accessible for some of the most dedicated educators and community leaders across the U.S. and beyond!

## Power of Place Champion: \$10,000+

We believe in the power of our connections to place to inspire and motivate us toward shaping a healthier, sustainable, and more just future. We believe in the power of place to increase joy, relevance, and meaning in education. We believe in the people dedicating their lives to connecting the next generation to learning experiences that shape their sense of community, career pathways, and care for the places they call home. If you believe in the same, join us as a champion of place-based education and this truly amazing gathering!





# Sponsor Benefits



All conference sponsors are featured with logo or name placement in conference marketing, the conference program, and in-conference displays. Additionally, sponsors receive acknowledgement during conference-wide opening and closing sessions. To further celebrate and acknowledge the essential support that sponsors provide, we are proud to offer the following sponsor benefits:

Benefit	Friend	Steward	Changemaker	Keynote	Sustainer	Presenter	Champion
Conference Registrations	-	1	2	3	3	4	4
Exhibitor Space	1/2 table	1/2 table	1 table	1 table	1 table	2 tables	2 tables
Program brand page	-	-	-	-	1/2 page	3/4 page	Full page
Dragonfly Award Banquet Tickets	-	2	3	4	5	6	8
Presenting Sponsor Branding	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	Yes
Branded Conference Posters	-	-	-	-	2	4	6

## *Join us at the Dragonfly Awards Banquet!*

The Dragonfly Awards Banquet will take place on the evening of Thursday, November 13th. This special evening of the conference celebrates exceptional leaders in place-based education from across the U.S. and beyond with a number of awards. Festivities will include a happy hour, formal dinner, awards ceremony, and special entertainment/keynote address (to be announced at a later date). As supporters and champions of the conference and place-based education, we invite you to join us in fellowship and celebration!

To become a sponsor, please contact:  
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