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April Edition of SREB's Promising Practices Newsletter

Go on an Industry Tour

What better way to see Nashville and get the most out of your conference experience than by combining your Making Schools Work Conference registration with an industry tour add-on.

You will have two choices for tours, each featuring three different Nashville organizations, each of which works with local schools to create unique industry learning opportunities for students.

In this three-hour tour, you will be able to see some of the coolest sites in Nashville all while learning how to create business partnerships that let your students experience career-based learning in a new way.

Both tours will take place between 2:30-5:30 on Wednesday, July 15, and are only a \$60 add-on to the conference experience. Each tour takes you to three different locations and then gives you the option to stay downtown and enjoy Nashville on your own or ride the bus back to the hotel.

- **Tour A:** Country Music Hall of Fame, Hilton Nashville Downtown and the Frist Art Museum
- **Tour B:** Bridgestone Firestone Automotive Training Center, Omni Nashville Hotel and the National Museum of African American Music

Creating Professional Development on AI

AI is so new that it can be hard knowing how to use it at all, let alone know how to train your teachers to use it. In our latest report, we talk about what you should consider as you begin to create professional development opportunities around AI for your teachers.

[Read the AI Professional Development Report](#)

Conference Spotlight: Early Bird Pricing Ends Soon

We know education budgets are tight, and that is why we want to make sure you get our conference at its cheapest price.

Our early bird pricing is the best way to experience our premier education conference at our lowest price.

To lock in these savings, make sure you register before the end of April because early bird pricing ends April 30.

[Explore All Our Blog Posts](#)

Listen (or Read): The Making Schools Work Podcast

This month, we continued our series exploring ideas from our [2026 Making Schools Work Conference featured speakers](#).

Catch up on our featured speaker episodes or [read the wrap-up posts](#) from each episode on our blog:

- [The Human Side of Career Readiness With Nicole Cobb](#)
- [The Curse of Knowledge: Communication Science With Thomas Murray](#)
- [Underground Leadership: Driving Growth in High-Needs Schools With Natasha Brown](#)

SREB Team Spotlight: We also had episodes from our SREB team this month:

- [Integrating Academics and CTE](#) with Deb Cullen
- [The HOPE Protocol: Moving Professional Development From the Shelf to the Classroom](#) with Jason Adair and Debbie Robertson

Coming Soon: Next up, we have episodes with featured speakers from our learning communities, including Bethany Wilson, Mark Perna and Becca Silver.

[Listen to All of Our Podcast Episodes](#)

New and Upcoming

Check out upcoming events SREB is hosting and attending:

- 📅 **April 30, 2026** - Early Bird pricing ends for the [Making Schools Work Conference in Nashville](#)
- 📅 **April 30, 2026** - [Registration ends for learning community spots](#) at the Making Schools Work Conference in Nashville
- 📅 **July 14-17, 2026** - [Making Schools Work Conference in Nashville](#)

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