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CoSN's Keith Krueger Elected Board Chair of Learning First Alliance

Alexandria, Va. (June 25, 2021) – The Learning First Alliance (LFA), a partnership of leading education associations representing more than 10 million parents, educators and policymakers, has elected [Keith R. Krueger](#), CAE, CEO of CoSN (the Consortium for School Networking) as chair of its Board of Directors for the 2021-22 term.

“Keith Krueger is an energetic, nationally known leader in the education technology sector and a well-versed advocate for public schools and their students, teachers, and all school staff,” said Richard M. Long, executive director of LFA. “Keith has a particular interest in topics including equity, the Digital Divide, cybersecurity and data privacy, which are particularly timely and will help guide the Learning First Alliance’s work as schools reopen after the Covid-19 pandemic.”

As chair, Krueger is committed to facilitating collaboration amongst LFA’s 12 member organizations to continue to improve public education quality and equity.

“The Learning First Alliance brings together a diverse group of organizations that advocate for the needs of school districts across the country and their students,” Krueger said. “I am honored and excited to serve as LFA Board Chair, especially as this next year will prove to be a transformational time for public education. We have learned so much throughout the pandemic, and we now have the opportunity to put those lessons into practice and rethink how to deliver all students a quality, safe and secure education that will prepare them for the future.”

[CoSN](#) is the premier professional association for school system technology leaders, serving as the edtech voice of over 13 million students in school districts nationwide. Its mission is to empower educational leaders to leverage technology so that they can succeed in the digital transformation and realize engaging learning environments.

As a thought leader in the education technology sector, Krueger serves on many boards and advisory committees, and has received numerous awards for his work. Most recently he was selected by *Ed Tech Magazine* as a top 2021 K-12 IT influencer. In 2016, *Technology & Learning* selected him as one of the “big 10” most influential people in education technology, and the Center for Digital Education identified him as a Top 30 Technologist/Transformer/Trailblazer.

LFA's Board of Directors also elected L. Earl Franks, executive director of the National Association of Elementary School Principals, as its secretary/treasurer for the coming year. Marla Ucelli-Kashyap, assistant to the president and director of educational issues department at the American Federation of Teachers, and 2019-2021 LFA chair, also will serve on the executive committee as immediate past president.

Since it was incorporated in 1996, LFA has brought together the leading national education associations, which collectively represent 10 million parents, educators and policymakers, to collaborate on a variety of issues. LFA is planning Public Schools Week 2022 from Feb. 21- 25 2022, celebrating the successes of public education as well as advocating for better resources and support for public schools. During the Covid-19 pandemic, LFA members have collaborated on best practices and current topics, and most recently have worked together to publicize the need for students to catch up on routine vaccinations missed during the pandemic by providing information to educators and parents through a new website, www.GetVaxFacts.org.

About the Learning First Alliance

The Learning First Alliance is a partnership of leading education organizations with more than 10 million members dedicated to improving student learning in America's public schools. Alliance members include: American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education; AASA: The School Superintendents Association; American Federation of Teachers; American School Counselor Association; Consortium for School Networking; Learning Forward; National Association of Elementary School Principals; National Association of Secondary School Principals; National Education Association; National PTA; National School Boards Association and National School Public Relations Association.

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