

A banner for a virtual conference. It features a teal background with a laptop keyboard and a stack of papers. A white circle on the left contains the word "Virtual" in a teal script font. The date "April 29-30, 2021" is in the top right, and the title "Spring Law Conference" is in large white font in the center. The NCSBA logo is in the bottom right.

Virtual

April 29-30, 2021

Spring Law Conference



Thursday, April 29, 2021

- 9:00 – 9:05 a.m. Welcome and Introductions**
- 9:05 – 10:20 a.m. Superintendent Contracts: What Do You Need to Know?**
Moderator: Jim O'Rourke, Assistant Legal Counsel for Superintendent Searches, NCSBA, Raleigh, NC
Panelists: Rod Malone, Attorney, Tharrington Smith, Raleigh, NC; Chris Campbell, Attorney, Campbell Shatley, Asheville, NC; Jill Wilson, Attorney, Brooks Pierce, Greensboro, NC
- 10:20 – 10:30 a.m. Break**
- 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. Employee Vaccination Requirements: Legal and Policy Issues**
Presenter: Cynthia Lopez, Attorney, Campbell Shatley, Asheville, NC
- 11:15 – 11:30 a.m. Snapchat and Student Free Speech: Case Law Update**
Presenter: Christine Scheef, Legal Counsel/Director of Policy, NCSBA, Raleigh, NC
- 11:30 – 11:35 a.m. NC Education Corps 2021-2022 Application Process**
Speakers: Mike Ward, Chair, NC Education Corps Board of Directors; John-Paul Smith, Executive Director, NC Education Corps
- 11:35 – 11:45 a.m. Break**
- 11:45 – 12:30 p.m. Working with Your School Board Attorney During Challenging Times**
Presenter: Dionne Jenkins, General Counsel, Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools, Winston-Salem, NC

Friday, April 30, 2021

- 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.** **The Leandro Case and the School Board’s Top Priority: Providing Every Student with the Opportunity to Receive a Sound Basic Education**
Presenter: Nickolas J. Sojka, Jr., General Counsel, Cumberland County Schools, Fayetteville, NC
- 10:00 – 10:10 a.m.** **Break**
- 10:10 – 11:10 a.m.** **The Use of School Resource Officers by Local School Systems**
Presenter: Lindsay Vance Smith, Attorney, Tharrington Smith, Raleigh, NC
- 11:10 – 11:20 a.m.** **Break**
- 11:20 – 11:35 a.m.** **Censoring Speech or Controlling the Curriculum? Case Law Update**
Presenter: Sam Thorp, Staff Attorney, NCSBA, Raleigh, NC
- 11:35 – 12:20 p.m.** **Legislative Update**
Presenter: Bruce Mildwurf, Director of Governmental Relations, NCSBA, Raleigh, NC

Board members and school administrators attending the entire conference will receive 6 clock hours of continuing education training. We have applied for attorneys attending the entire conference to receive 6 hours of CLE credit.