



LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

Enhancing the Educational Experience



To Strengthen Learning For All Through **Better Environments**

Who Are WE?

Our association's principal purpose is to ensure that our students have the best possible places in which to learn. Our members consist of practitioners involved in every aspect of school planning, design, equipping, operating and maintenance. We are dedicated professionals who want to share knowledge, best practices, and adhere to the highest standards and values in the art of delivering education through the intersection of learning and place.

Mission

An interdisciplinary association of professionals working at the intersection of learning and place to drive the evolution of learning environments.

The Association for Learning Environments is a LOCAL organization with GLOBAL reach!

Why Join?

- ▶ Our association is unique in that we have members from multiple disciplines ranging from educators to architects and equipment suppliers, all providing a networking environment in which to share ideas and build valuable partnerships.
- ▶ A communications platform within the membership that allows real problems to be solved through collaboration and connections with fellow professionals.
- ▶ Opportunities to attend CEU producing, high quality educational events both in person and using distance learning platforms.
- ▶ Maintain real world competencies through accredited programs and the premier certification of the profession, our Accredited Learning Environment Planner (ALEP).
- ▶ Present and share your knowledge with colleagues at local and international conferences and events.
- ▶ Participate in our SchoolsNEXT Student Design Competition.
- ▶ Gain access to high quality research and publications.



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▶ James D. MacConnell Award



The James D. MacConnell award exemplifies the organization's belief that great schools begin with communication and collaborative planning. This prestigious award recognizes a comprehensive

planning process that results in educational facilities that enhance the educational program, meet multiple goals and hold purpose and distinction within a community.

▶ Planning and Design Awards

These awards honor projects that stimulate systemic change in the educational system by addressing difficult questions, challenging the status quo, and raising expectations. They often embody great architectural design solutions, but their successful components and characteristics have been founded in an interactive process that engaged multiple stakeholders to create an educational environment that holds purpose and distinction within a community.

Our Core Values

LEARNERS FIRST achieved by recognizing students as the ultimate beneficiaries of our work; demonstrated when planners, designers, builders, and school systems think first about the needs of students.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION achieved by deliberately and authentically engaging all voices and perspectives; demonstrated when everybody's ideas, suggestions, and recommendations are heard and valued.

INNOVATION achieved through the exploration of opportunities at the intersection of learning and place; demonstrated when the value of place in learning is recognized and our work strengthens learning for all through exceptional environments.

COLLABORATION, COLLEGIALLY, CONNECTION achieved through the sharing of ideas, resources, and values; demonstrated when our members operate seamlessly across market sectors and geographic boundaries.

RESPECT achieved through recognition and acceptance of ideas, thoughts, and perspectives that differ from your own; demonstrated when a culture exists where new ideas and perspectives are embraced and welcomed.

PLACE MATTERS achieved through alignment of learning and place; demonstrated when the value of place in learning is recognized and our work strengthens learning for all through better environments.

Visit our website www.a4le.org for information about these PREMIER PROGRAMS and more:

ALEP (Accredited
Learning Environment
Planner)

Advanced Academy
for Learning
Spaces

LearningSCAPES
Conference

SchoolsNEXT
Student
Design Competition



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