



# The role of principal supervisors in challenging times: Focus on teaching and learning

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## Resources and links from the panelists:

*From Andy Cole:*

- The Wallace Foundation Homepage: <https://www.wallacefoundation.org/>
- School Leadership From The Wallace Foundation: <https://www.wallacefoundation.org/knowledge-center/school-leadership/pages/default.aspx>

*From Ellen Goldring:*

- *A New Role Emerges for Principal Supervisors* - <https://www.wallacefoundation.org/knowledge-center/Documents/A-New-Role-Emerges-for-Principal-Supervisors.pdf>
- *Changing the Principal Supervisor Role to Better Support Principals* - <https://www.wallacefoundation.org/knowledge-center/pages/changing-the-principal-supervisor-role-to-better-support-principals.aspx>
- *Leading the Change* - <https://www.wallacefoundation.org/knowledge-center/pages/leading-the-change-a-comparison-of-the-principal-supervisor-role.aspx>

## Learning Forward resources:



- [\(New\) Professional Learning State and District Planner](#)
- [COVID-19 online resource page](#)
- [Learning Forward webinars](#)
- [Learning Forward blog](#)
- [Learning Forward membership](#)
- [2020 Virtual Annual Conference – Registration NOW OPEN](#)

**Participants' suggestions and resources:**

- Collaborative learning for principal supervisors, such a great point. We heard similar points in some recent interviews:  
<https://www.niet.org/newsroom/show/blog/empowering-principals-how-supervisors-can-support-principals>
- From the National Center that supports the 19 comp centers:  
<https://compcenternetwork.org/sites/default/files/Returning%20to%20School%20Toolkit%20for%20Principals.pdf>

**Participants' responses to panelists' comments and strategies:**

- Just as a principal needs to focus on developing a formative partnership with a teacher in a coaching capacity, so does the principal supervisor need to create that same kind of formative partnership with the principal. Hopefully, the supervision piece will go well.
- This is key! Don't forget what it means to be in the role of a principal. Yes - everyone is accountable. It is essential to really select the right individuals. I agree know your role! This is a District responsibility. Everyone is not able to Coach! The selection process is critical! Get the right people in the role!
- Coming to that common understanding of what high quality instruction is and looks like is vital.
- I was a principal coach before becoming a principal supervisor! The coach experience was very valuable!