

K-12 Lounge

RELAX REFLECT CONNECT

THE K-12 LOUNGE OFFERS A WELCOMING SPACE FOR K-12 EDUCATORS TO UNWIND, REFLECT ON THEIR EXPERIENCES, AND ENGAGE IN MEANINGFUL CONVERSATIONS AND COLLABORATION WITH COLLEAGUES.

Saturday

2:00-2:30	AAPT Winter Meeting 101: Making the Most of Your Conference Experience for K-12 Educators	Make the most of the AAPT Winter Meeting! Learn how to navigate sessions, network with peers, and use AAPT resources to boost your teaching.
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Sunday

9:00-10:00	Topical Discussion: From Frustration to Fascination: Motivating Students Who "Hate Physics"	Swap ideas for reigniting student interest and addressing common misconceptions about physics.
10:00-11:00	PTRA: The Physics of Toys	Create simple toys and explore how connecting play with physics principles can boost student engagement and understanding.
12:30-1:00	Lunch in the Lounge	Enjoy a laid-back bring-your-own lunch in the K-12 Lounge! Connect, share ideas, and chat with colleagues in a friendly, informal setting.
2:00-3:00	Topical Discussion: All About AP Physics	An informal Q&A with AP Physics Development Committee members on course design, resources, and the AP exam process.
3:00-4:00	Open Lounge	Take a break, make connections, and spark new ideas in the K-12 Open Lounge—a place to relax, collaborate, and celebrate the creativity of physics teaching.

Monday

9:00-10:00	PTRA: Bringing Physics to Life Through Literature	Share and discover ways to use literature to enrich physics instruction and make concepts more meaningful for students.
10:00-11:00	Topical Discussion: Teacher Wellness and Sustainability: Avoiding Burnout While Staying Inspired	Create space to talk about managing workload, setting boundaries, and finding joy in teaching physics.
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2:00-3:00	Pathways to Leadership in AAPT	Interested in getting more involved with AAPT? Sit down with current leaders to hear their stories, ask questions, and explore pathways to leadership through AAPT committees, sections, and programs.
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