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## **PDK International Rejoins Learning First Alliance: A Partnership Representing More than 10 Million Members**

*As a former member of the Learning First Alliance, PDK International is excited to rejoin the ranks of top education organizations.*

ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA (August 3, 2022) – On July 26, 2022, the Board of Directors of the Learning First Alliance (LFA)—a partnership of leading education organizations representing more than 10 million members dedicated to improving student learning in America’s public schools—overwhelmingly approved PDK International’s membership to rejoin the alliance.

“We are so excited to return to the ranks of the Learning First Alliance, and know this community strengthens our efforts and resolve. As we look to our neighborhoods and schools to develop local Grow Your Own Programs and find the next generation of educators—we are working to prepare educators that are highly effective while also reflecting the communities they serve. PDK is grateful to rejoin the Alliance and is excited to reaffirm our commitment to the improvement of student learning,” said **Albert C. Chen, M.E., Acting Chief Executive Officer for PDK International**.

“PDK has made many unique contributions to teaching and learning,” said **Richard Long, Executive Director of the Learning First Alliance**. “Its magazine is one of the best in the community, bringing together ideas, practice, and insights. The annual poll provides the community with information on the public’s perception of K-12 education, and Educators Rising provides an expanding contribution to educator recruitment, cultivation, and support. We look forward to working with them to continue to support and improve public schools.”

“PDK International is excited to enhance its commitment to engagement through this partnership with leading education organizations who offer diverse perspectives on public education as we work to elevate the profession,” said **Albert Chen**.

To learn more about the Learning First Alliance, visit [learningfirst.org](https://learningfirst.org).

### *About PDK International*

*Established in 1906, PDK International supports P-20 educators, researchers, and policy makers by strengthening their commitment to the profession throughout the entire arc of their careers. We are committed to elevating the profession through the intersection of research and practice. Through our core values of social justice, engagement, excellence, and results, we encourage educators and stakeholders to elevate the discourse and change the narrative around teaching and learning to ensure that every student has a high-quality equitable education.*

*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; National School Public Relations Association; and PDK International. Learn more about LFA at <http://www.learningfirst.org/>.*

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