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CELEBRATING 15 YEARS

(VERY) BRIEF HISTORY OF SXSW EDU

- Series of education sessions at SXSW Interactive 2010
- 2011 launched in partnership with the TEA
- Grew from 800 to 8,000+ attendees in the first 8 years
- K-12 → full learning lifecycle
- Convergence within education – intentionally diverse
- Now 10,000+ attendees from 40+ countries every year



FUTURE OF LEARNING

PERSPECTIVES + TAKES

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PERSPECTIVES & TAKES

- VIBES MATTER (IN LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS)
- ASSESSMENT WILL LOOK DRASTICALLY DIFFERENT
- SELF-AWARENESS AND SPIRITUALITY WILL BE A LEARNING OPPORTUNITY
- HUMAN EXPERIENCE WILL BE A CHOICE
- CURIOSITY > CERTAINTY
- TINY EXPERIMENTS CAN LEAD TO BIG CHANGES
- CONNECTING WITH OTHERS IS ESSENTIAL IN THIS CHAOTIC MOMENT
- EVERYONE'S THINKING ABOUT AI—IN VERY DIFFERENT WAYS
- STUDENTS IN OUR SCHOOLS TODAY MAY INHABIT OTHER PLANETS IN THEIR LIFETIMES—HOW DO WE PREPARE THEM FOR THAT??



WATCH & LISTEN

- [Rewiring How We Learn: The Power of an Experimental Mindset](#) (watch)
- [Learning from Productive Failure](#) (watch)
- [Phone-Free Their Minds: The Return of Curiosity & Creativity](#) (watch)
- [The Curiosity Crisis: AI's Role in Humanizing Learning](#) (listen)
- [AI & the Future of Education](#) (watch)
- [Looking Back, Moving Forward: A Conversation on Leadership](#) (watch)
- [Turning Conflict into Progress in Our Divided Times](#) (watch)
- [Learning How to Work with Your Enemies](#) (watch)
- [Glocal FTW: Cross-Sector Partnerships for Collective Impact](#) (watch)
- [Screening Bias: Breaking Down Barriers for Women in STEM on TV](#) (watch)
- [Last of the Terrestrials](#) (listen)



PUBLIC MEDIA FEATURED IN 2025

- [Boosting Family Engagement: Public Media & State Synergy](#) (listen)
- [Mic Check: Podcasting with NPR, The Bell, & PBS News SRL](#) (listen)
- [“Run, Hide, Fight: Growing up Under the Gun” Screening & Q&A](#) (film)
- [The Full Spectrum: A Raccoon & Neurodivergence in Kids’ Media](#) (watch)
- [You Belong in Libraries](#) (watch)

