**National Digital Equity Symposium**

**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

**Monday, June 26th, 2017 Menger Hotel, San Antonio Noon – 6 pm**

The International Society for Technology in Education State Education Technology Directors Association, National Collaborative for Digital Equity (NCDE) and State Education Technology Directors Association (SETDA) invite you to a unique event for state and national leaders in learning technology, educator preparation and school system leadership on **Monday, June 26th from noon to 6:00 p.m.** (lunch and refreshments included) at the **Menger Hotel in San Antonio** – the National Digital Equity Planning Symposium.

Outcomes – Participants will:

* Be briefed on why and how to tap CRA funds to close the digital divide for low-income learners.
* Learn about essential dimensions of local systemic digital equity.
* Explore public, private and nonprofit resources available to assist communities to address each dimension (broadband, hardware, multilingual tech support, OER, Deep Web content, librarian support for cybersafety and digital literacy, etc.).
* Develop plans to assist one another in mobilizing and supporting low-income communities.

NCDE ([www.digitalequity.us](http://www.digitalequity.us)), a SETDA affiliate, engaged in sustained policy advocacy and pilot efforts that persuaded the Federal Reserve to issue guidance (https://www.dallas**fed**.org/assets/documents/cd/pubs/**digital**divide.pdf) in August 2016, encouraging banks to begin including funding for digital equity in their CRA portfolios. This may open up access eventually to as much as $1 billion annually for digital equity.

Join us at this invitational gathering! We need your voice and insights so that these resources are accessed and put to *effective* use!

Learn about emerging strategies for tapping these funds and explore how best we might pool our efforts and expertise to support as many of the nation’s low-income learners as possible.

To register (it’s **free** and includes lunch, materials and refreshments), please go to: <http://ndes.eventzilla.net>.