



SPELL JIF Seminar Presentation
Managing Virtual Safety and Security Risks in a Digital World
Wednesday, July 19, 2023
Speaker Bios

Scott C. Tennant, Deputy Executive Director
SPELL, ACCASBO, BCIP & GCSSD JIFs

Scott is a Senior Executive Program Director with Risk Program Administrators, Gallagher's pooling administration division. Scott has been in the insurance and risk management field since 1987, beginning as a retail broker focused on public agencies and migrating to public entity pool management in 1989. Scott has played numerous roles in public sector pooling including his ongoing role as Deputy Executive Director of the School Pool for Excess Liability Limits Joint Insurance Fund, which he helped three school pools (ACCASBO, BCIP and GCSSD) form in 2001.

Richard J. Kaz, School Business Administrator
Northern Burlington County Regional School District

Richard Kaz has served as the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the Northern Burlington County Regional School District since 2002. Before Northern Burlington, Rich was the Assistant to the Superintendent in the Moorestown Township Public School District. He served as NJASBO President for the 2022-2023 school year. Richard is an active member of the SPELL JIF and serves as a Trustee for the BCIP JIF, as well as a member of BCIP's Finance Committee and Coverage Committee. Prior to joining the education field, Rich worked in private industry as the Chief Financial Officer for The Association of Independent Growth, Inc. (TAIG).

Rich is a past President of the Burlington County Association of School Business Officials and is a member of the board of trustees for both the Burlington County Insurance Pool Joint Insurance Fund and the School Pool for Excess Liability Limits (SPELL) Joint Insurance Fund. He has served on several NJASBO committees and was the NJSIAA representative for two years. Rich is a three-time recipient of ASBO International's Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting. Rich and his wife Sarah have been married for 37 years, raised three boys, and now are enjoying their grandchildren!



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Steve Lee, Director of Technology
Northern Burlington County Regional School District

Steve has worked in the education technology field for the past 24 years. He currently supports five neighboring school districts through a shared agreement. He is also a member of the SPELL JIF Cyber Security Advisory Committee and is a past president of BCETA (Burlington County Educational Technology Association). In addition, he currently serves as board president at Lenape Regional High School District.

Bruce R. Taylor Director of Educational Technology
Voorhees Township School District

Since 1989, Bruce Taylor has served as Director of Educational Technology for the Voorhees Township School District in Camden County, New Jersey. He is responsible for all technology-related programs and initiatives in digital learning, teacher productivity and administration. His areas of responsibility range from curriculum-technology integration planning, implementation, and professional development to computer network design, installation, administration, security and technical support. Bruce was formerly a middle school teacher and an elementary school principal. He ran a technology consulting and integration company for 25 years, was a partner in an early multimedia systems development company and served as an adjunct instructor for two New Jersey colleges in their graduate level instructional technology certification programs.



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Rick Hillman, CEO of Ironwood Consulting is the newly contracted SPELL Virtual Safety Officer. Rick recently retired as Manager of Information Technology/Buildings & Grounds for Mercer County Special Services School District & Mercer County Technical Schools. Previously, he was Manager of Information Technology/Buildings & Grounds from 2007-2017 and Manager of Information Technology from 1998-2007 for Mercer County Special Services School District. He also served as Manager of Administrative Computing, ETTC Technical Director, and Comptroller/Assistant Board Secretary for Princeton Regional Schools from 1994-1998. Prior to working in the school district, Rick was Manager of Computer Services, Senior Auditor for Case, Barlow & Co, CPA from 1982-1994 and Auditor for the NJ Department of Education and NJ Attorney General's Office from 1980-1982. He has previously presented on a variety of technology subjects, at ISTE Conference, COSN Conference and NJ School Boards. He was a feature writer for Multimedia School Magazine (1998-2001). Mr. Hillman holds a bachelor's degree in Accounting from Rider University and Certified Educational Facility Manager Certificate (CEFM) from Rutgers University.

Daniel Waldman, Underwriting Manager

Daniel Waldman is the Underwriting Manager leading the Starr Cyber Liability Team. Dan has been with STARR since July 2016. Prior to taking on his cyber risk underwriting role, he worked in various roles the STARR IT Department managing the organizations technology demands. He earned his B.A. in Economics at Union College in 2016, his M.S. in Cyber Security Risk & Strategy from NYU's Tandon School of Engineering and School of Law in 2021. Dan's interest in the cybersecurity needs in education are driven in part by his sister, who works as an educator in Illinois. SPELL is fortunate to have the involvement of a skilled underwriter who has an original interest in education.



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Steven Robinson, Area President & National Cyber Practice Leader

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Steve Robinson is Area President and National Cyber Practice Leader for Risk Placement Services, Inc. (RPS), a division of Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. From their office in Cambridge, Maryland, Steve's team has specific expertise in cyber insurance program development in the areas of public entity, education, healthcare, nonprofit, retail, hospitality and financial services. Steve has been with RPS since 1995 and his public speaking engagements include the national Advisen Cyber Liability Insights Conference, the ACI Cyber and Data Risk Insurance Litigation Conference, the national Cyber Liability Insurance ExecuSummit, and as a panelist discussing cyber risk insurance trends before the Federal Insurance Office at the United States Treasury and the Professional Liability Underwriting Society's Cyber University. Steve has a B.A. from the University of South Carolina.