



Women Leaders Network Spring Retreat : *Your Leadership Presence*

Friday, May 5, 2023

9:00 - 1:00

Madeira School

AGENDA

8:30-9:00 **Registration, networking and light breakfast ([Huffington Library](#))**

9:00-10:15 **Welcome and Opening Keynote ([Huffington Library Reading Room](#))**

Your Leadership Presence: Showing Up, Claiming Space, Being True

Lynn Bowman

Executive leadership coach and former educator Lynn Bowman will cover five essentials of effective women's leadership gleaned from her work with women leaders as well as key literature on leadership and women who lead. She'll talk about cultivating trust and "confident vulnerability," leaning into the collective so you can engage in "real talk," finding strength in your identities, defining your leadership style and values, and playing the game while you change the game. You'll come away with unique insights into how these concepts can inform your leadership presence and allow you to lead authentically and effectively.

10:15-10:30 **Break**

10:30-11:15 **Affinity Conversations: Leaning into the Collective**

Find your board of directors, your people, your "square squad"! During this session, you'll connect with female colleagues around shared experiences to engage in honest dialogue about yourself and your work.

11:15-12:15 **Concurrent Skills Workshops**

Workshop One: *Tools for Trust* ([Huffington Library Fiction Room](#))

Keynote Lynn Bowman will take a deeper dive on developing some of the skills needed to establish your leadership presence, with a focus on strategies for cultivating trust. She'll share how building awareness and shifting your mindset can enhance the skills you need to effectively lead others.

Workshop Two: *Discover Your Public Speaking Gifts* ([Huffington Library AV Room](#))

Yes, you too can be an effective public speaker! Join public speaking instructor Dale Placek for an interactive session that will offer tips and tools to help you improve and thrive as a public speaker in the school setting and beyond. This workshop will include opportunities for practice and improvisation.

12:30-1:30 **Lunch and Closing ([Living Room in Main](#))**

Enjoy lunch with friends in the lobby of the Madeira auditorium overlooking the Potomac River and remarks from Madeira Head of School Gretchen Warner.