

## **Andy Aichele**

Vice President of Education

Andy Aichele, Vice President of Education is responsible for leading and supporting a transformative education ecosystem: onsite in the COSI building and campus; offsite in schools and communities; and online in COSI's digital ConnectEDU portal – all amplified through partnerships and relationships. These education experiences empower learning in lives and communities locally and globally through hands-on, accessible, fun and engaging experiences. Included under the Education umbrella: COSI U, an organization-wide professional development portfolio focused on leadership development, career development, onboarding, and team infrastructure and engagement; The PLATFORM Youth STEM Pipeline that serves and elevates middle and high school scholars from under-resourced schools; and COSI's Living Collection that incorporates animals throughout COSI's ecosystems to engage in conservation, research, education, and discovery.

Mr. Aichele has worked in a variety of education, professional development, and leadership roles across nearly 25 years of cumulative experience at COSI. Prior to this executive role, Mr. Aichele served as Manager of Global Learning & Development at NetJets and Manager of Organizational Learning & Development at the Columbus Metropolitan Library.

The Ohio Museums Association recognized Mr. Aichele as the Museum Professional of the Year for 2022. Mr. Aichele serves on the State of Ohio STEM Committee, served as Chapter President and VP of Programs for Central Ohio chapter of Association of Talent Development (ATD), and was a co-leader of the Learning Leaders Forum. He has also served four times as TEDxYouth@ Columbus organizer and curator.

Mr. Aichele holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry from The Ohio State University and a master's degree in business, with a focus on organizational behavior, from Capital University.

