



# Legislative Leadership Program

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## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024

- 4<sup>00</sup>      **CHECK-IN**  
Graduate Hotel,  
133 Evergreen Ave., East Lansing
- 6:00      **RECEPTION AND PROGRAM**  
Eli Broad Museum  
547 E. Circle Drive, East Lansing
- 6:20      **WELCOME**  
Matt Grossmann, Director, MSU Institute for Public Policy and Social Research.  
Dr. Deanna East, Associate Director, Michigan State University Extension
- 6:45      **PROGRAM**  
Ice Breaker: Heard on the Campaign Trail  
Matt Grossmann, IPPSR
- "What Got You Here, Won't Get You There"  
            Thom Little, National Institute for Civil Discourse
- 8:00      **BACK TO GRADUATE/Afterglow**

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## MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024 - GRADUATE HOTEL – Kedzie Room

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- 815      **BUFFET BREAKFAST**
- 900      **WELCOME**  
Matt Grossmann, IPPSR  
Kevin Guskiewicz, President, Michigan State University
- 9:30      **WHAT WE WISH WE NEW**  
Rep. Julie Brixie  
Rep. Graham Filler  
Rep. Penelope Tsernoglou
- 10:00      **Break**



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- 10:15      **Michigan's Budget – Revenue and Expenditures**  
Mary Ann Cleary, Director, House Fiscal Agency  
Kathryn Summers, Director, Senate Fiscal Agency
- 11:15      **Developing Ideas and Passing Bills**  
Alan Wiseman, Co-Director, Center for Effective Lawmaking
- 12:00      **Lunch**  
Craig Mauger, Detroit News
- 1:15        **Michigan's Economic Outlook**  
Dr. Daniil Manaenkov, U.S. Forecasting Specialist  
Dr. Michael McWilliams, Senior Economist  
University of Michigan, Research Seminar in Quantitative Economics
- 2:00        **Break**
- 2:15        **Policy Evaluation & Analysis: Making Sense of Data**  
Matt Grossmann, Director, IPPSR  
Beverly Anyong'a, Educational Program Coordinator, IPPSR
- 3:00        **How to Build a Successful Office & Avoid Trouble**  
Ben Frederick, Associate VP for Advocacy and Government Relations  
Memorial Healthcare
- 3:45        **Mechanics of Bill Writing and Research**  
Roundtable with Legislative Service Bureau
- 4:30        **Knowing Michigan Like the Backs of Your Hands**  
Randall Schaetzl, Department of Geography, Michigan State University
- 6:00        **Dinner**  
Roundtable with Department Directors  
Susan Corbin, Director, Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity  
Rachael Eubanks, Director, Department of Treasury  
Jen Flood, Director, State Budget Office
- 8:00        **Afterglow**



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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024 - GRADUATE HOTEL

- 8:00      **Buffet Breakfast**  
Gretchen Whitmer, Governor, State of Michigan
- 8:30      **Legislative Leadership Panel**  
Sen. Brinks  
Rep. Posthumus  
Rep. Puri
- 9:30      **Medicaid 101 – Health Policy Roundtable**  
Tayo Moss, Michigan Health Endowment Fund  
Nancy Baum, Health Policy Director, Center for Health, Research and Transformation  
Melissa Riba, Research Director, Center for Health, Research and Transformation
- 10:15     **Break**
- 10:30     **Understanding State Government through Oversight**  
Kyle Bule, Research and Communications Specialist  
Margaux Laspeyres – Manager of Operations and Finance  
Carl Levin Center for Oversight and Democracy, Wayne State University
- 11:15     **Meet the Experts: One-On-One Question Time**  
K-12 Education  
    Emily Mohr, Education Policy Innovation Collaborative  
Agriculture, Water and Natural Resources  
    Dr. George Smith, MSU Ag/Bio Research  
Transportation  
    Mark Polsdorfer, Michigan Department of Transportation
- 12:00     **Buffet Luncheon**  
Brian Calley, President and CEO, Small Business Association of Michigan
- 1:15      **Lessons Learned, Future Plans**  
Matt Grossmann, Director, IPPSR