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**The EMERGING LEADERS  
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# ABOUT THE NITL EMERGING LEADERS PROGRAM

The NITL Emerging Leaders Program (NELP) is comprised of up-and-coming shipping industry leaders in North America who are passionate about strengthening the shipping supply chain industry and shaping the future supply chain of tomorrow.

## THE PROGRAM

NELP has been designed to give emerging leaders the necessary tools, knowledge, and resources they need to prepare them for executive advancement and establish themselves as future leaders within their companies, the league and personal lives.

The Emerging Leaders Program includes NITL members from small, medium, and large size shippers and vendors who are excited to develop and enhance their leadership skills, get involved, share and network with industry peers.

Through regional events, webinars and the NITL annual meeting, NELP members have an opportunity to collaborate and share their perspectives on challenges and opportunities, network with long-time shipping industry leaders, and build a network of peers, ensuring the next generation leads the shipping industry into the future with confidence and competence.

## NELP HISTORY

In 2024, a group of future leaders identified a gap in opportunities to expand their networks and knowledge. Traditional avenues like industry boards and committee meetings were primarily full by those well-established in their careers. To bridge this gap, the NELP was born and dedicated to emerging professionals that would offer a platform to share valuable industry experiences, learn from seasoned executives, enhance leadership skills, and expand professional networks.

## ELIGIBILITY

Any NITL member who is employed in the shipping industry is eligible to be nominated/apply for the Emerging Leaders Program. NITL members include shippers moving freight via rail, ocean, and highway, and industry vendors. The NELP welcomes those new to the industry, established in their career, or the CEO of a company – all job titles and levels are eligible. The diversity of experiences within the group is what makes NELP so unique and valuable. As part of the program, you can meet a peer and discuss the same challenges you may be facing or one that can offer solutions. You will have an immediate network as well as an opportunity to rely on those seasoned leaders to learn from.

**NELP** aims to empower and nurture future shipping industry leaders, attract and develop young professionals to the industry, and retain transformational leaders in the supply chain industry, ensuring the industry has a strong leadership base to move forward.

### DEVELOP

By delivering learning opportunities for emerging leaders within the shipping industry, we take an active part in developing and strengthening our next generation or leaders.

### EDUCATE

Through educational programs, we give future leaders the skills and knowledge they need to succeed and thrive.

### ENGAGE

Engaging with future leaders by providing learning and networking opportunities helps them to build their careers and enhance their presence within the shipping industry.

### CONNECT

Providing communication platforms for emerging leaders to interact with their peers, system leaders, committees, and organizations will allow the group to communicate effortlessly so that they can continue to learn, share and use their networks to be successful leaders.

### INSPIRE

Igniting a passion in our future leaders will bring positive outcomes to their employers, NITL and our industry.



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### NELP GOVERNANCE

The Emerging Leaders Program consists of two co-chairs, one shipper and one vendor member. Members can serve up to two consecutive three-year terms. Each company can only be represented on the Steering Committee by one NELP member.

The term is from one NITL Engage Meeting to the next, and at the conclusion of each event, all members of the Emerging Leaders Program will graduate from the program.

NITL will offer in-person meetings, webinars and networking opportunities throughout the year for NELP members to continue to build their network, learn and become leaders.

### PROGRAM MEMBERS

Established in 2024, the NELP is comprised of high-potential emerging leaders from across North America who are making a difference in the shipping industry. These rising stars are encouraged to get involved in NITL programs, network with peers and NITL members, ask questions and offer comments and solutions during meetings.

### MEET THE CO-CHAIRS



**Dan Anderson, Co-Chair**  
Vice President  
Trinity Industries, Inc.



**Kris Matthews, Co-Chair**  
Field Services  
Armada

### JOIN US IN AUSTIN!

The NITL Emerging Leader Program will  
kick off during NITL's Engage 2024  
at the University of Texas Austin!  
October 7-9, 2024.

Be part of the founding NELP membership!

NITL is offering a DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION FEE to all NELP Members!  
Contact [Info@NITL.org](mailto:Info@NITL.org) for the discounted code!

### JOIN NOW!

**Tell us about YOU!**

Joining NITL Emerging Leaders Program  
takes just a few minutes! Take the time to  
continue building YOUR career now!

- Name:
- Title:
- Company:
- Address:
- Email:
- Cell Phone #:
- Work Phone #:
- Date of Birth:



Tell us why you would like to be a member of the NITL  
Emerging Leaders Program in 3-5 sentences!



Please email your information to  
[Info@NITL.org](mailto:Info@NITL.org).

**QUESTIONS?  
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