

## *Tips and tricks for successful learning and engagement.*

### **Be an Active Participant and Lean In**

During the meeting, participate beyond listening. Switch your video camera on to make the experience more engaging (and to be more engaged). Seeing faces makes a huge difference! Review the materials ahead of time and come prepared with questions. Use the chat function to ask the speaker questions about their material and engage with others in the session. An interactive meeting with engaged participants makes for a better experience for everyone involved.

### **Be Present and Distraction-Free**

Try not to answer emails or texts while you're in a virtual session. Better yet — close your email program and silence your phone. By keeping distractions to a minimum, you can completely pay attention to the sessions just as if you were in person. We'll be sure to build "tech check" breaks into the program so you won't miss a beat with your team.

### **Prioritize Your Time**

When blocking time out on your calendar, consider adding 10 to 15 minutes before and after the event. This will allow you time to prepare for the meeting beforehand and take in all of the information afterward.

### **Follow-Up with Post-Event Engagement**

Keep the collaboration flowing! We'll share contact information for everyone who attended in a post-event message. Provide feedback — credit union input is your Association's fuel. Share your thoughts and take a moment to complete the event survey. Your input helps NWCUA prepare impactful future sessions.