

CEO: Ask Me Anything

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Poll Everywhere Q&A brings anonymity, transparency, and inclusion to Kohl's



Goal: Alignment and transparency

Update every Kohl's associate about the fiscal health of the company, and give team members a safe place to ask CEO Kevin Mansell questions.

Solution: A Poll Everywhere Q&A live video stream

The all-hands meeting is video-streamed to every store and office, along with an anonymous Q&A powered by Poll Everywhere. Employees use their phones to submit questions from anywhere, in real time.

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Poll Everywhere not only includes everyone, it makes them feel comfortable asking the CEO what they want to ask. We're three years in now, and it's become expected.

Luke Mueller, Internal Communications

Bonus: A high-level view of internal health

An anonymous company-wide Q&A, inclusive of in-person and remote employees, led to a deeper understanding of employee concerns. People asked more questions, and a greater breadth of questions, than in past Q&As without anonymity. This left Kohl's in a strong position to scope and address employees' felt issues. It helped leadership future-proof the company against internal problems.

Impact: Transparency at every level

Kohl's now uses Poll Everywhere for ask-meanything town halls at both the all-hands level, and in each pyramid of the organization. They conduct a total of 25 AMAs every year, as good hygiene.