

**Multiple Education Pathway Learning Exchange  
November 2008  
Washington, DC**

**Agenda**

*\* Please note that this is a tentative agenda and could change. Additional speakers will be added as they are confirmed. Check back for updates!*

<b>DAY 1 – Wednesday, November 12, 2008 1 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.</b>	
Noon – 1:00	<b>Registration</b>
1:00 – 1:30	<b>Opening Plenary</b>
1:45 – 2:45	<p><b>City Showcase</b></p> <p><b>Moderated by former Governor of West Virginia Bob Wise, President of the Alliance for Excellent Education</b></p> <p><b>Showcase will feature the following initiatives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Youth Transition Funders Group:</b> Philadelphia— Laura Shubilla, President, Philadelphia Youth Network</li> <li>▪ <b>National League of Cities</b></li> <li>▪ <b>U.S. Department of Labor, Multiple Education Pathways Initiative:</b> Brockton, MA— Shailah Stewart, Brockton Public Schools</li> </ul>
3:00 – 5:00	<p><b>LEARNING EXCHANGE SESSIONS</b></p> <p>The Learning Exchange will feature three sets of four (12) 2-hour learning exchange (LX) sessions. These sessions are the heart of the event, offering an opportunity for participants to collaborate, to learn from the experiences of other cities, and to share knowledge on how to overcome challenges.</p>
<b>Topic Areas &amp; Presenters</b>	
<p>Learning Exchange Session (LXS) #1</p> <p><b>USING DATA TO MAKE THE CASE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Neil Sullivan, Boston Private Industry Council</li> <li>- Laura Shubilla, President, Philadelphia Youth Network</li> <li>- Kathy Hamilton, Boston Private Industry Council</li> </ul>	

LXS #2 <b>BUSINESS AS PARTNERS IN DEVELOPING MULTIPLE PATHWAYS</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Donna Klein, Corporate Voices</li> <li>- Steven Wing, CVS</li> <li>- Elaine Leibsohn, America's Promise Alliance</li> </ul>	
LXS #3 <b>FUNDING MULTIPLE EDUCATION PATHWAYS</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mala Thakur, National Youth Employment Coalition</li> </ul>	
LXS #4 <b>BUILDING A SUPPORTIVE POLICY ENVIRONMENT</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jamie Fasteau, Alliance for Excellent Education</li> <li>- Representative from Indianapolis (Alternative High School Initiative Place-Based Partnership Site)</li> <li>- Andrew Moore, Senior Fellow, <b>Institute for Youth, Education, and Families</b>, National League of Cities</li> <li>- Cassius Johnson, Jobs for the Future</li> </ul>	
5:30 – 7:00	<b>Networking</b>

<b>DAY 2 –Thursday, November 13, 2008 8:30 – 5:30 with evening reception</b>	
7:30 – 8:30	Continental Breakfast
8:30 – 9:30	<b>ALTERNATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT SHOWCASE</b>  Representatives for each model will give a 20-minute presentation 3 times during this one-hour showcase. Participants will have the opportunity to move from table to table.
<b>Alternative Education Models</b>	
<b>Accelerated Schools - Fairhill Community High School, Philadelphia</b> Presenters: Marcus Delgado and Laura Shubilla	
<b>Association for the Advancement of Mexican-Americans</b>	
<b>America's Choice (NCEE)</b> Presenter: Gretchen Rhines Cheney	
<b>Big Picture Co.</b> Presenter: Eliot Washor	

<b>Career Academies</b> Presenter: Bill Taylor
<b>Community Education Pathways to Success (CEPS)</b> Presenter: Peter Kleinbard
<b>Communities in Schools- Performance Learning Centers</b> Presenter: Gary Chapman
<b>Conservation Corps</b> Presenter: Sally Prouty
<b>Diploma Plus</b> Presenter: John Niles
<b>Early Middle College High Schools</b>
<b>EdVisions</b>
<b>Ford Next Generation Learning Communities</b> Presenter: Cheryl Carrier
<b>Gateway to College</b> Presenter: Linda Huddle
<b>Job Corps</b> Presenter: Marcus Gray
<b>Maya Angelou Public Charter School &amp; See Forever Foundation</b> Presenter: Lucretia Murphy
<b>StreetSchool Network</b>
<b>New York City Transfer Schools</b> Presenter: Rachel Forsyth
<b>North Carolina Activities – South Piedmont Dual Enrollment</b> Presenter: Pat Phillips
<b>Year Up</b> Presenter: Gerald Chertavian
<b>YouthBuild</b> Presenter: Sangeeta Tyagi
<b>Pre-Apprenticeship Programs</b>

Presenter: Franchella Kendall	
9:45 – 11:45	<b>LEARNING EXCHANGE SESSION II</b>
<b>Topic Areas &amp; Presenters</b>	
LXS #5 <b>DRIVING PATHWAY DEVELOPMENT USING DATA: SELECTING THE RIGHT MODEL</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Leah Hamilton, Executive Director, Office of Multiple Pathways to Graduation, New York City Department of Education</li> <li>- Courtney Collins-Shapiro, Director, Multiple Pathways to Graduation, School District of Philadelphia</li> <li>- Representative from the Parthenon Group</li> </ul>	
LXS #6 <b>CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION AS PART OF YOUR MULTIPLE EDUCATION PATHWAYS</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Eric Richmond, Alliance for Excellent Education</li> </ul>	
LXS #7 <b>LEADERSHIP AND INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jean Thomases, Consultant, Technical Assistance Team, Schools for a New Society</li> <li>- Betsy Brown Ruzzi, National Center on Education and Economy</li> </ul>	
LXS #8 <b>LINKING MULTIPLE EDUCATION PATHWAYS TO HIGH SCHOOL REFORM</b>	
12:00- 1:30	<b>LUNCH – ENGAGING THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY</b>
	<p>Kathy Payne, Senior Director- Education Leadership, State Farm Insurance</p> <p>Martin Bean, Manager of Worldwide Education Strategy, Products and Solutions at Microsoft Corporation</p> <p>Moderated by Susan Traiman, Director - Public Policy, Business Roundtable</p>
1:30 – 2:30	<b>HOW-TO SESSIONS</b>
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Description</b>
Calculating the Economic Cost of Dropouts in Your Community: Where to go to find the statistics that you need	Highlighting the economic cost of dropouts on a local community can help to galvanize support for initiatives to address the dropout crisis. This session will provide information on what data you need, where you can find it, and how to estimate the economic cost once you have it.

<p>Using Labor Market Info to Drive Programmatic Design, Career Development, and Guidance</p> <p>Tony Dias, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Workforce Investment, U.S. Department of Labor</p>	<p>Communities cannot effectively ensure that youth will be prepared for the 21<sup>st</sup> century economy if they are not using labor market information to inform their decisions. This session will review labor market information available to you, where it can be found, and how it can be effectively used.</p>
<p>Overview of Literacy Learning Strategies</p> <p>Bill Diehl, Commonwealth Corporation</p>	<p>Today 90 percent of the fastest growing jobs require education or training beyond high school. Youth will not be successful in these fields if they do not possess strong literacy and numeracy skills. This session will provide an overview of effective strategies and resources to help youth who have fallen behind attain those basic skills and how they can be incorporated in alternative learning environments</p>
<p>Effective Programming for English Language Learners</p>	<p>Today immigrants account for 12.4 percent of the U.S. population. By 2040, one in three children will be growing up in an immigrant household. Communities need to be ready to respond to these demographic trends with strategies to teach English Language Learners.</p>
<p>Policy Making</p> <p>Cheryl Almeida, Jobs for the Future</p> <p>Jamie Fasteau, Alliance for Excellent Education</p>	<p>This session will describe how communities can engage in a policy review that allows them to identify and recognize policies and potential policy developments that could impact multiple pathways development. Will utilize the tools developed for Gates for the Advocacy States</p>
<p>Framework for Instruction</p> <p>Leah Hamilton, Executive Director, Office of Multiple Pathways to Graduation, New York City Department of Education</p>	<p>The New York City Department of Multiple Pathways uses a framework for instruction for all alternative education programs. The framework will be shared in this session.</p>

<p>Getting Kids Back on Track</p> <p>Gary Chapman, CIS Performance Learning Centers</p>	<p>This session will discuss strategies for integrating credit retrieval programs into alternative learning environments.</p>
<p>Math &amp; Quantitative Reasoning: Creating and Sustaining a Culture of Numeracy in Your Schools</p> <p>Tim Scheidt, Big Picture Company</p>	<p>This session will engage participants in a meaningful discussion on current Alternative High School Initiative work around numeracy. Participants will also learn how to incorporate numeracy across the curriculum. Tools to be provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AHSI concept paper &amp; Guiding Principles</li> <li>• Collection of web-based and print resources</li> </ul>
<p>2:45 – 4:15</p>	<p><b>LEARNING EXCHANGE SESSION III</b></p>
<p><b>Topic Areas &amp; Presenters</b></p>	
<p>LXS #9 <b>LAUNCHING NEW ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION MODELS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jo Ellen Lynch, CEO of Partnership Support Organizations, New York City Department of Education</li> <li>- Adria Steinberg, Jobs for the Future</li> </ul>	
<p>LXS #10 <b>COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES FOR YOUTH IN MULTIPLE PATHWAYS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gregg Weltz, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor</li> </ul>	
<p>LXS #11 <b>INNOVATION</b></p>	
<p>LXS #12 <b>EXCHANGE ON EQUITY IN EDUCATION</b></p>	
<p>4:30 – 5:30</p>	<p><b>GOING FORWARD: Taking the Energy of the Learning Exchange Back Home!</b></p>