

EMBRACING AN ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT: Taking Risks & Achieving Success

Bellwether College Consortium Policy Summit & Community Colleges Futures Assembly

February 1 - 4, 2020

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Welcome

February 1, 2020

Greetings Esteemed Colleagues!

Welcome to the 2020 Bellwether College Consortium (BCC) Policy Summit and Community College Futures Assembly. In this 26th year of serving as an independent policy think tank, we come together to share important trends, to serve as a conduit for conducting vital research, and to hear from business and industry partners who play a significant role in increasing the value and applicability of a community college credential. Both the summit and the assembly feature respected leaders in our community college family. These individuals personify the conference's theme – *Embracing an Entrepreneurial Spirit: Taking Risks and Achieving Success*.

Our collective program includes:

- a plenary session sharing findings from the first-ever study linking an academic institution's student data to U.S. Census information to identify the aggregate economic outcomes of college graduates by academic program and demographic characteristics;
- a breakout session focused on identifying principles of program design for better connecting education to work;
- a valuable opportunity to learn about the Association of Community College Trustees' (ACCT) Rural College Project and to also participate in a closed focus group for colleges that serve rural populations;
- a keynote address on the importance and applicability of an entrepreneurial mindset by the co-editor of *Community Colleges as Incubators of Innovation*, and
- an enviable opportunity to learn from peer-selected community colleges vying for the highly-coveted Bellwether Award.

BCC is especially proud to host a film screening of *Unlikely*, a documentary which chronicles the difficult paths of five low-income students struggling to complete a postsecondary credential. It is followed with a panel of respected community college leaders sharing unique and innovative ways of supporting student access and success among our most vulnerable populations.

I invite you to join us as we honor and celebrate the 30 Bellwether Award finalists and select the 2020 Bellwether Award winners. Together, let us celebrate community colleges who boldly embrace our collective theme and proudly serve as a bellwether for all of higher education.

Welcome!

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Rose M. Martinez, Ph.D. Director Bellwether College Consortium



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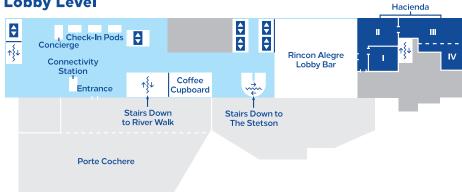
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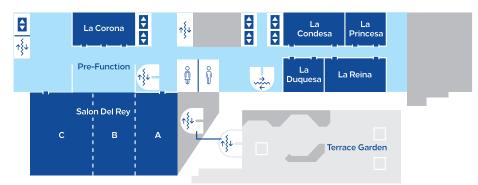
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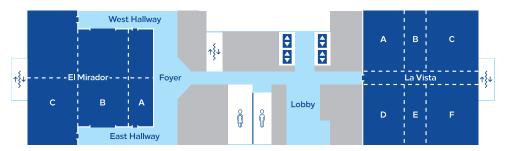




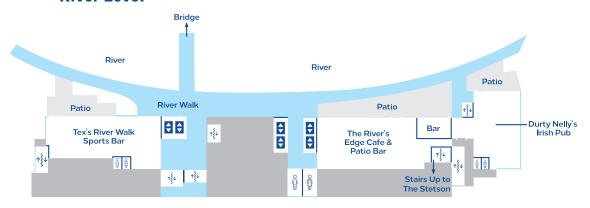
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BCC Policy Summit Embracing an Entrepreneurial Spirit: Taking Risks & Achieving Success

Saturday, February 1

12:00 pm - 6:00 pm Check in El Mirador Foyer

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm Welcome by Host Institution: Alamo Colleges District El Mirador

Dr. Rose Martinez, Director

Bellwether College Consortium, Alamo Colleges District

Dr. Mike Flores, Chancellor Alamo Colleges District

Roberto Zárate, Advisory Board Member

Bellwether College Consortium, Alamo Colleges District

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm Keynote Presentation El Mirador

A Roadmap to Better Data: Developing a Census Bureau

Partnership to Measure National Postsecondary Earnings Outcomes

Dr. David Troutman, Associate Vice Chancellor for Institutional

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Research and Advanced Analytics The University of Texas System

2:30 pm - 2:45 pm Break Lobby

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2:45 pm - 4:00 pm Breakout Sessions

Principles of Policy Design for Connecting Education to Work La Vista AB

Damion Pechota, Policy Analyst

Education Comission of the States (ECS)

Moderator:

Dina Rodriguez-Cassity, Executive Assistant to the Vice Chancellor

Alamo Colleges District

Strengthening Rural Community Colleges La Vista DE

Jee Hang Lee, Senior Vice President

Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT)

Moderator:

Robert Acosta, Communications Coordinator

Alamo Colleges District

4:00 pm - 4:15 pm Break Lobby

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Focus Group: Strengthening Rural Community Colleges La Vista DE

Jee Hang Lee, Senior Vice President

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Moderator:

Robert Acosta, Comunications Coordinator

Alamo Colleges District

5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Buffet Dinner El Mirador

Film Introduction:

Jaye Fenderson, Filmmaker

Three Frame Media

6:00 pm - 7:20 pm BCC Signature Film Screening: Unlikely El Mirador

7:20 pm - 8:00 pm Film & Policy Panel Discussion El Mirador

Moderator:

Alejandra Gomez, Student Trustee

Alamo Colleges District

Discussants:

Jaye Fenderson, Filmaker

Three Frame Media

Dr. Mike Flores, Chancellor

Alamo Colleges District

Eloy Ortiz Oakley, Chancellor California Community Colleges

Sunday, February 2

9:00 am - 9:30 am Breakfast El Mirador

Introductory Remarks: Roberto Zárate, Trustee

Alamo Colleges District Board of Trustees

9:30 am - 10:30 am Keynote Presentation El Mirador

*It's Our Business: Value Proposition of a College Degree*Mary Batch, Human Resources Talent Management Manager

Toyota Motor Manufacturing Texas

10:30 am - 11:00 am Closing Remarks El Mirador

Rose Martinez, Director

Bellwether College Consortium, Alamo Colleges

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Community College Futures Assembly Embracing an Entrepreneurial Spirit: Taking Risks & Achieving Success

Sunday, February 2

10:00 am - 12:00 pm Binder Drop Off El Mirador Foyer

12:00 pm - 6:00 pm Check-In

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Bellwether Award Finalists Showcase El Mirador

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm El Mirador **Opening Reception**

Welcome & Introductory Remarks:

Robert McKinley

Vice Chancellor for Economic and Workforce Development

Alamo Colleges District

Embracing an Entrepreneurial Spirit: Taking Risks & Achieving Success

Reception Address: Dr. Rose Martinez, Director

Bellwether College Consortium, Alamo Colleges District

5:30 pm - 9:30 pm Optional: Super Bowl LIV Watch Gathering Tex's Sports Bar

River Level

Monday, February 3

7:00 am - 1:00 pm Check in El Mirador

Breakfast El Mirador 7:30 am - 8:45 am

Welcome:

Dr. Rose Martinez, Director

Bellwether College Consortium, Alamo Colleges District

Hosting Remarks:

Dr. Yvonne Katz, Trustee Alamo Colleges District Board of Trustees

Introductory Remarks:

Noah Brown, CEO & President

Association of Community College Trustees

Keynote Speaker

Community Colleges as Incubators of Innovation

Rebecca Corbin, ČEO & President,

National Association of Community College Entrepreneurship

8:45 am - 9:00 am **Break**

9:00 am - 10:00 am **Bellwether Finalist Sessions**

Break

10:00 am - 10:15 am Lobby Break

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Bellwether Finalist Sessions La Vista Rooms 10:15 am - 11:15 am

La Condesa

11:15 am - 11:30 am

Community College Futures Assembly Embracing an Entrepreneurial Spirit: Taking Risks & Achieving Success

11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Bellwether Finalist Sessions	La Vista Rooms La Condesa	
12:30 pm - 1:45 pm	Lunch - ON YOUR OWN	Lu Conuesu	
1:45 pm - 2:45 pm	Bellwether Finalist Sessions	La Vista Rooms La Condesa	
2:45 pm - 3:00 pm	Break	La Condesa	
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Bellwether Finalist Sessions	La Vista Rooms La Condesa	
4:00 pm – 4:15 pm	Break Sponsored By Alamo Colleges District		
4:15 pm - 5:15 pm	Bellwether Finalist Sessions	La Vista Rooms La Condesa	
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Reception Passed Appetizers & Cash Bar	El Mirador	

Welcome:

Robert McKinley

Vice Chancellor for Economic and Workforce Development

Alamo Colleges District

Theme: Fiesta Night in San Antonio

Entertainment: Mariachi Los Galleros de San Antonio

Tuesday, February 4

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast	El Mirador
	Introductory Remarks:	
	Dr. Mike Flores, Chancellor	

Alamo Colleges District

Keynote Speaker:

Betsy DeVos, U.S. Secretary of Education

U.S. Department of Education

8:30 am - 9:50 am Bellwether Awards Ceremony El Mirador

Ceremonial Hosts:

Dr. Rose Martinez, Director

Bellwether College Consortium, Alamo Colleges District

Noah Brown, President & CEO

Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT)

Howard Drake, President

National Council for Continuing Education and Training (NCCET)

Dr. Erika Hackman, President

National Council of Instructional Administrators (NCIA)

9:50 am - 10:00 am Closing Remarks: El Mirador

Dr. Rose Martinez, Director

Bellwether College Consortium, Alamo Colleges District

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Bellwether Finalist Sessions

College of the Desert (PGF)

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Walking the Talk: An Integrated Planning Approach to Help Students Succeed

College of the Desert's shared-governance planning process, guided by our Agenda for Student Success, has changed the way we conduct the business of education. This framework enables the College to solicit stakeholder buy-in early, use evidence-based assessments to focus resources, scale success outcomes more quickly, and guide others.

Presenters: Dr. Annebelle Nery Vice President of Instruction

Aurora Wilson Member Board of Trustees
Dr. Joel L. Kinnamon Superintendent/President

John Ramont Vice President of Administrative Services

Dr. Kim Dozier Academic Senate President

West Kentucky Community and Technical College (IPS)

La Vista AB

La Vista C

The Community Scholarship Program, A Decade of Student Success

For nearly a decade, WKCTC has maintained a public/private partnership, the Community Scholarship Program, to improve high school graduation rates and improve the quality and skills level of the workforce by providing "free" college tuition. The program includes high-impact practices that support students as they navigate academic and career pathways.

Presenters: Dr. Anton Reece President

Mayor Brandi Harless Mayor of the City of Paducah, Kentucky

Justin Hill Success Coach

Lakeshore Technical College (WD)

College Here & Now: Dual Enrollment 2.0

College Here & Now provides high school students the opportunity to earn their associate degree without leaving their high school. Learn how a college and high school revamped scheduling and curriculum to save families thousands of dollars while preparing the next-generation workforce. Graduates are workforce-ready with earnings potential of \$54,000.

Presenters: Paul Carlsen President

Seth Harvatine Superintendent, Sheboygan Area School District Doug Hamm Dean Business, Technology, & Hospitality

Paul Hoffman Instructor Sarah Bornemann Presenter

San Jacinto College (WD)

La Vista DE

A Model for Developing Stronger Partnerships with Industry and Improving Student Access to Jobs

Workforce education requires strong partnerships to ensure that training is current, facilities are up-to-date, and learning experiences ready students for industry culture. The San Jacinto College LyondellBasell Center for Petrochemical, Energy, and Technology exemplifies an approach to building partnerships that has yielded results for students across multiple industry sectors.

Presenters: Dr. Allatia Harris Vice Chancellor, Strategic Initiatives

Dr. Brenda Hellyer Chancellor
Dan Mims Trustee

Roxbury Community College (IPS)

La Vista F

Eliminating Developmental Math: The Roxbury Community College Experience

Roxbury Community College eliminated developmental mathematics in Fall 2018 following a three-year journey of research and experimentation. As a result of taking the co-requisite model to scale, success rates of RCC students improved by more than 20%.

Presenters: Valerie R. Roberson, PhD President

Professor John McColgan
Professor Ben Anilus
Professor Dena Feldman
Steven Tompkins

Chair Department of Mathematics
Department of Mathematics
Chair Board of Trustees

10:15 am - 11:15 am

Bellwether Finalist Sessions

Alamo Colleges District (PGF)

La Condesa

Integrated Support Operations to Scale Online Programs and Increase Enrollment

With a critical challenge to empower San Antonio's diverse communities for success, five independently accredited Colleges of the Alamo Colleges District adopted a strategic framework and an integrated operations model for Alamo Colleges Online to build and strengthen each College's capacity to deliver premier, quality digital learning experiences for students.

Presenters: Luke Dowden Chief Online Learning Officer

Dimona Esparza Coordinator of Communications Monica Guerrero Enrollment Coach Team Lead

Polk State College (WD)

La Vista AB

Polk State College Regional Partnership for Advanced Manufacturing Training

Manufacturing plays a vital role in the economy of Central Florida. The skills gap in the labor supply provided an opportunity for Polk State to launch the College Alliance for Advanced Manufacturing. CAAM is a partnership among area manufacturers and local state colleges that provides training to the manufacturing workforce.

Presenters: Matthew Lenihan Program Coordinator- College Alliance For Advanced Manufacturing

Belinthia BerryProgram Director Customized Training St. Petersburg College

South Mountain Community College (PGF)

La Vista C

South Mountain Community College Default Rate Success: 2012-2016 and Beyond

South Mountain Community College recognized that a comprehensive plan was necessary to address a growing default rate and to provide critical debt management and personal finance skills that would enhance the success of our students while they were in school and after graduation.

Presenters: Dr. Osaro Ighodaro Vice President of Student Development

Guy Goodman Dean of Enrollment Services

Marianne Smith Mathematics Faculty
Jennifer Avila Reading Faculty

Caldwell Community College & Technical College (IPS)

La Vista DE

Improving Health Access for Local College Students

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute (CCC&TI) partnered with West Caldwell Health Council (WCHC) in response to student needs for increased access to health and mental health resources. This partnership resulted in the Hector Estepan CobraCare Clinic, an on-campus, full-service medical clinic serving students and employees at an affordable cost.

Presenters: Dr. Mark J. Poarch President, CCC&TI

Tom Mcrary CEO West Caldwell Health Council

Teanne Gragg Family Nurse Practitioner West Caldwell Health Council Leslie Harrison Certified Nursing Assistant, Registered Medical Assistant

Maysville Community & Technical College (WD)

La Vista F

Lineman In Flight - Exploring the Inclusion of Drone Instruction With a Utility Lineman Program

The MCTC Electrical Lineworker Program is a 10 week workforce development training program designed to train students to become Electrical Lineworkers. While attending students receive hands on training in Electrical Distribution Systems construction, CDL Licensing, Commercial Drone Pilot Licensing and more.

Presenters: Brittany D. Corde Director of Workforce Solutions

Ritchie Katko Workforce Development Specialist - Drone Instructor

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Western Dakota Tech (PGF)

Using Data-Driven Decisions to Grow Enrollment

Fall 2019 enrollment at Western Dakota Tech is up 14.5% over the previous fall. This increase is attributed to a number of data-driven process changes focused on student success and satisfaction.

Presenters: Dr. Ann Bolman President

> Kelly Oehlerking Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Student Success

Deborah Toms Student Success Director & Registrar Iill Elder Admissions and Financial Aid Director Mark McGrath Reporting and Analysis Director

Pima Community College (IPS)

Transform Developmental Education, Transform an Institution

Historically students struggled to successfully fulfill prerequisite requirements for gateway courses. Publications report 50-70% of college students require preparatory coursework in mathematics or English. Pima Community College's efforts shifted in 2013 when a cross-functional team created a comprehensive redesign plan significantly increasing successful completion of critical gateway courses.

Nina Corson **Presenters:** Acting Vice-President of Instruction and Transfer Pathways

> Dr. Jeff Thies Dean of Developmental Education

Campus President and Vice-Chancellor of Educational Partnerships Dr. Morgan Phillips

Delisa Siddall Counselor Student Taylor Bailey Lee Lambert Chancellor

Demion Clinco Governing Board Chair

Copiah-Lincoln Community College (PGF)

Making a Comeback Through C2C

Copiah-Lincoln Community College (CLCC) has been leading the Mississippi Community College System in degree completion for the past two years. Through the Complete-to-Compete (C2C) Program and institution policies and procedures, CLCC has had the opportunity to reach more students and provide a high-quality education from virtually anywhere in the world.

Presenters: Jackie Martine Associate Vice President of Instructional Services

> Tiffany Perryman Director of Institutional Effectiveness

Dr. Jane Hulon President

Williston State College (WD)

ONE BASIN-Oneway!

ONE BASIN-One Way! is a standardized safety orientation program developed by Bakken-based oil and gas producers and contractors for contractors that work in the Bakken. This orientation is designed to raise safety awareness on over 40 critical topics while providing a viewpoint on the hazards found in the Williston Basin.

Presenters: Kenley Nebeker Regional Director for Technical Programs and Training

> Dr John Miller President

Jenny Wolf **Director for Creative Services**

Gateway Community and Technical College (IPS)

River City Project Network: Building into Students, Creating Thriving Communities

More than 8,200 students in the River Cities' school districts of Northern Kentucky experience poverty. With college and career readiness rates around 35%, students will likely remain in poverty unless the challenges facing these communities are addressed, including increasing access to career and technical education and work-based learning experiences.

Presenters: Dr. Teri VonHandorf Provost

> Shelby Krentz, Director of Early College Initiatives

Michael Borchers, Superintendent Michael Key, Principal

Lorraine O'Moore, Coordinator of River City Project

Jenny McMillan, College and Career Readiness Coordinator

Dave Fleischer, Senior Director of Navigo

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Bellwether Finalist Sessions

Missouri State University-West Plains (WD)

La Condesa

Greater Ozarks Center for Advanced Technology - Partnership for Education and Economic Growth

In 2014, Missouri State University – West Plains partnered with the South Central Career Center, South Central Workforce Investment Board and the City of West Plains and created a workforce development model to bridge the skills gaps between workers and employers in South Central Missouri.

Presenters: Dennis Lancaster Dean of Academic Affairs

Housatonic Community College (IPS)

La Vista AB

Supplemental Instruction (SI) - Student Supplemental Instruction: Student Led, Student Focused, Student Success
Supplemental Instruction (SI) is a non-remedial approach to learning that supports students toward academic success.
SI consists of regularly scheduled guided study workshops driven by students' needs. Implemented in high-risk courses and supported and evaluated by a trained supervisor, workshops are facilitated by trained peer leaders in a collaborative setting.

Presenters: Kristen Carley Supplemental Instruction Coordinator/English Professor Humanities

Robin Avant Dean of Academic Affairs
Althea Taylor Supplemental Instruction Leader

Wayne Community College (WD)

La Vista C

QUEST Academy

Wayne Community College's Quest Academy is designed to recruit higher level English Language Acquisition (ELA) students, emphasizing students who are professionally certified in their native country. Students co-enroll in Workforce Continuing Education computer classes and upon completion of the Academy enroll in Workforce Continuing Education or Curriculum classes.

Presenters: Lynn Rabhan Director of Transitional Programs

Maria Abalo-Zarate Coordinator - English Language Acquisition

Graciella Kellar Testing Facilitator

Howard Community College (PGF)

La Vista DE

Cloud Migration

Howard Community College was the first community college to move its administrative system to a vendor's cloud hosting services. This improved the speed of the system, augmented campus technical support staff, reduced technology infrastructure on campus for Colleague and provides business continuity with disaster recovery and offsite data backup capabilities.

Presenters: Dr. Kathleen Hetherington President

John Garnsey Director Executive Director- Information Technology Services

Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College (IPS)

La Vista F

Promoting Equity Through Alternative Education Models

OCtech is committed to reducing inequities in the number of minority students completing the Associate Degree Nursing program. Understanding that the rigor of the nursing curriculum oftentimes is in direct competition with the external pressures students face, the college created alternative pathways for them to complete the nursing degree.

Presenters: Donna Elmore Vice President for Academic Affairs

Condense Tooley Donn of Nursing and Health Science

Candance Tooley Dean of Nursing and Health Science Susan Chavis PN/Flex Nursing Programs Coordinator

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Pima Community College (PGF)

Earn to Learn and Succeed

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Pima Community College has partnered with Earn to Learn to provide needful students the opportunity to receive an 8:1 match for up to \$500 saved for college each year. Participants are also provided with financial literacy training and other services resulting in a dramatic increase in retention and graduation rates.

Presenters: Morgan Phillips Campus President and Vice Chancellor of Educational Partnerships

Kate Hoffman Founder & Executive Director - Earn to Learn Lee Lambert Chancellor - Pima Community College District

Demion Clinco Board of Governors Chair, Pima Community College District

Richland Community College (WD)

La Vista AB

Richland's EnRich Program: Technical + Essential Skills = Changed Lives

Richland Community College has built a successful and sustainable program, EnRich, which concentrates on workforce training in the Manufacturing sector. Training includes technical and essential skills training to under and unemployed and second chance adults with multiple barriers to employment, allowing them to earn a living wage. *Presenters:*

Presenters Dr. Cristobal Valdez President

Dr. Juanita Morris Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness

Tulsa Community College (PGF)

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Improving College Climate Through Meaningful Shared Leadership and Governance

Tulsa Community College reorganized cross-functional work groups into a college-wide council and committee structure to ensure alignment with strategic priorities, contribute to principles of shared leadership, increase transparency, and improve communication. PACE (climate survey) scores have increased substantially and exceed that of other large 2-year colleges and the norm base.

Presenters: Lindsay White Senior Strategy Advisor to the President

Leigh Goodson President and Chief Executive Officer

Onondaga Community College (IPS)

La Vista DE

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Onondaga Community College: Box of Books

Onondaga Community College's Box of Books project relies on the power of bulk purchasing to provide students with access to required course materials at a flat per credit hour rate. This project is a coordinated, equitable response to the increasing number of students who lack required textbooks and electronic materials.

Presenters: Casey Crabill, Ed.D. President

Christopher Thuot Professor

Anne Deland Acting Director, Compliance & Auxiliary Services

Anastasia Urtz Interim Provost

Isaac Mbambo Student Alexis Riccardo Student

Roger Mirabito Communications Coordinator

Central Arizona College (WD)

La Vista F

Education at the Speed of Industry

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With 80% of construction firms nationwide having a hard time filling hourly and craft positions, Sundt Construction, Inc. and Central Arizona College (CAC) located in Coolidge, AZ formed a Workforce Development partnership to recruit and train skilled workers.

Presenters: Dr. Jackie Elliott President/CEO

James Busch Director of Skilled Trades & Workforce Development

Sean Ray Director of Craft Workforce Development, Sundt Construction

4:15 pm - 5:15 pm

Bellwether Finalist Sessions

Arizona Western College (PGF)

AWC Strategic Plan and Serving First Gen Students

La Condesa

This rural college on the US-Mexico border serves a student body that is 60% first generation, struggling with poverty, navigating college, and completion. After creating a Strategic Plan, with 2,800 participants, AWC emerged with a flexible map, began to implement ambitious objectives to fundamentally change the way AWC serves students.

Presenters: Lorraine Stofft Vice President for Advancement

Dr. Daniel P. Corr President, Arizona Western College

Biridiana Martinez Admissions, Recruitment & Outreach Coordinator

Central Carolina Community College (IPS)

La Vista AB

A Comprehensive Transformation to Advising & Admission

Central Carolina Community College (CCCC), a member of the NC Community College System (NCCCS), completed a comprehensive transformation of its admissions and advising processes, designed to better match students to programs based on interests/aptitudes and then supporting them with quality advising. Results include reduced major changes and increased credential completion.

Presenters: Dr. Lisa M. Chapman President

Dr. Brian S. Merritt VP of Learning & Workforce Development/CAO

Scott Byington
Maryann Aucompaugh,
Susan Barbitta, Executive

Dean of Arts, Sciences & Advising
Department Chair, Business Technologies
Director, North Carolina Student Success Center

Montgomery County Community College (PGF)

La Vista C

Anytime, Anywhere: An Equitable, Scalable, & Impactful Approach to Academic Support

Based on a data-informed process of piloting, scaling, and assessment over the course of two years, Montgomery County Community College transitioned from providing limited on-ground tutoring to providing highly impactful tutoring accessible to all students, across a wide-array of subjects, on any day, and at any time.

Presenters: Dr. Victoria Bastecki-Perez Interim President and Provost

Dr. David Kowalski Associate VP for Institutional Effectiveness & Strategic Innovation Dr. Gloria Oikelome Interim Vice President Academic Affairs/Dean Health Sciences

Dr. Kendall Martin Computer Science Professor Victoria Vetro English Assistant Professor

San Jose City College (WD)

La Vista DE

Technest Apprenticeship - Solving Employment Inequality Through Computer Programming

Technest is designed to increase access for underrepresented groups to careers in IT, via a Computer Programmer Apprenticeship program that students can complete in one year. Technest partners with MIT, UC Berkeley, Microsoft, tech-industry partners, and local agencies to offer coursework, job development, counseling, and on-the-job training.

Presenters: Dr. Byron Breland Program Coordinator- College Alliance For Advanced Manufacturing

Dr. Lena Tran Program Director Customized Training St. Petersburg College

Greg Waters Founder and President: Microfacturing Institutes

Nicolet College (IPS)

La Vista F

Nicolet MyWay – Removing Barriers, Increasing Access, and Building Capacity to Serve the New Adult Learner
Nicolet MyWay removes barriers for busy adults improving job outcomes and increasing enrollments. The leadingedge competency-based education program provides a personalized, flexibly paced, affordable learning path leading to
industry validated credentials in high demand fields. Students progress by demonstrating mastery, schedules adjust to fit
the learner's life circumstances.

Presenters: Kate Ferrel Executive Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs

Christin Van Kauwenberg Director of Business Intelligence

Di Wu Instructional Designer

Laura Prince General Education Economics Instructor

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Featured Speakers



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Education Commission of the States (ECS)



Mary Batch

Human Resources Talent
Management Manager

Toyota Motor
Manufacturing Texas



Dr. David TroutmanAssociate Vice Chancellor

The University of Texas
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