ECMC Foundation’s
2020 CTE Leadership Collaborative Convening
December 9-10, 2020
Agenda

Wednesday, December 9, 2020 (Focus of the Day: Relationship Building and Information Gathering)

11:40am-12:00pm ET  **Check-In Virtually**
Log in and check technology. This is also an opportunity to meet the other ECMC Foundation Fellows through an introductory slide show.

12:00pm-12:40pm ET  **Welcome and Introductions**
ECMC Foundation staff will kick off the day with greetings, introductions and an update on ECMC Foundation’s commitment to this work and highlight key grants and other work the ECMC Foundation is supporting. This include remarks from ECMC Foundation President, Peter Taylor, Program Officer for Career Readiness, Patrick Bourke and Vice President of Programs and Strategy, Lynn Alvarez. There will also be a feature video from Leland Melvin, retired NASA Astronaut!

12:40pm-1:40pm ET  **Cohort Networking**
This session will allow each individual cohort the opportunity to engage in thought partnership regarding the desired outcomes of participation in the convening. This provides the opportunity to make any introductions or updates that may be needed and plan how to maximize the next two days of the convening.

1:40pm-2:25pm ET  **Break**
Brain break! Meet us back in 45 minutes!

2:25 pm-2:30pm ET  **Purpose of Roundtable Discussions**
We will reconvene as a large group and be provided an overview of the roundtable discussions, their purpose and next steps. Fellows will be split into groups with representation from all cohorts.

2:30pm-3:00pm ET  **Roundtable Topic Discussion:** COVID’s Impact on CTE
The focus of this discussion is to allow Fellows the opportunity to talk about their work in the context of COVID, to share how they have had to pivot, what considerations need to be kept in mind as they move forward and the challenges and opportunities present.

Suggested Pre-reads:
- Career and technology education adjusts in COVID-19 world by El Paso Matters
- Lessons Earned Podcast by Tony Carnevale

3:00pm-3:10pm ET  **Break**
Halfway through the day! Take a break and meet us back in 10 minutes!

3:10pm-3:40pm ET  **Roundtable Topic Discussion:** The Role of CTE in Closing Equity Gaps
The focus of this discussion is to allow Fellows the opportunity to build upon their prior discussion and explicitly discuss how CTE can be addressed with an equity lens.

Suggested Pre-reads:
- Advancing Racial Equity in Career and Technical Education Enrollment by Center for American Progress
- Voices from the Field: How Community Colleges are Advancing Equity in Career and Technical Education by MDRC
3:40pm-3:50pm ET  Break
Take time to check email or handle personal items and meet us back in 10 minutes!

3:50pm-4:20pm ET  Roundtable Topic Discussion: The Policy Environment: Making CTE Actionable
The focus of this discussion is to allow Fellows the opportunity to build upon their prior discussions and intentional time to talk about the integration of policies to connect CTE most effectively to real world learning for the workforce.

Suggested Pre-reads:
- Florida promotes short-term workforce programs by American Association of Community Colleges
- Accelerating CTE Neosho Community College by Jobs for the Future

4:20pm-5pm ET  Recap of Day/ Virtual Reception
We will reconvene as a large group for key takeaways from the robust roundtable discussions. Best of all, we hope Fellows stay and join us as we close out the day with informal networking topics based on the topic each Fellow selected in their convening registration.

Thursday, December 10, 2020  (Focus of the Day: Moving Relationship Building and Information Gathering to Actionable Steps)

11:45am-12pm ET  Check-In Virtually
Day two! Make sure technology is squared away and continue to meet the ECMC Foundation Fellows through the slide show.

12pm-12:15pm ET  Welcome and Overview of the Day
We will quickly recap day one, share what lies ahead and introduce our Keynote!

12:15pm-12:45pm ET  Community Colleges: Key Engines of the Economy and the Advancement of CTE
Chancellor Eloy Oakley of the California Community Colleges will be the featured keynote speaker.

12:45pm-1:00pm ET  Q&A with Chancellor Eloy
Share questions for Chancellor Oakley in the session chat and spend time in discussion.

1:00pm-1:45 pm ET  Case Study: Rethinking Education and Workforce
Fellows will be split into groups with representation from all cohorts and be provided a prompt for discussion and begin to think through key strategies that integrate CTE, equity and the future of work across the intersection of their own work as practitioners, researchers, journalists and data. The focus of this session is for the Fellows to discuss and provide feedback on a transition memo to the new Biden administration regarding bold ideas in rethinking education and workforce.

1:45 pm-2:30 pm ET  Break
Take time to check email or handle personal items and meet us back in 45 minutes!

2:30pm-3:30pm ET  Fellow Project Development
Remaining in the same groups, Fellows will use this time to work towards a tangible project the group can do to elevate their work in the field:
  o This could be hosting a webinar, creating a blog, writing a white paper, etc.
The idea is this project would allow Fellows to continue relationship building outside of your cohort and allow for intentional information sharing to bridge the different perspectives of the work.

3:30pm-3:35pm ET  **Break**
The final stretch! Meet us back in 5 minutes!

3:35pm-4:00pm ET  **Report Out**
We will reconvene as a large group and a panel of Fellows will engage in a conversation to provide an overview of their key discussion takeaways and project framing/plans.

4:00pm-4:15pm ET  **Close Out/Wrap Up**
That’s a wrap! ECMC Foundation staff will provide final remarks on the convening and any additional information.