



National High School Center Summer Institute
Advancing High School Student Success: Building Systems of Support
Monday, June 11, 2007–Wednesday, June 13, 2007
L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, Washington, D.C.

MONDAY, JUNE 11

- 10:00 am–12 noon Registration**
- 12 noon–1:15 pm Welcome.....Ballroom A/B**
 Joseph R. Harris, *Interim Director, National High School Center*
 Jill Martin, *2007 National Association of Secondary School Principals/Met Life National High School Principal of the Year*
- Opening Luncheon.....Ballroom A/B**
 Alexa Posny, *Director, Office of Special Education Programs, U.S. Department of Education*
 Intersections of No Child Left Behind and the Individuals with Disabilities Education and Improvement Act, the implications at the high school level, and re-thinking the understanding of systems to include all students
- 1:15 pm–1:45 pm Framing the National High School Conversation.....Ballroom A/B**
 Braden Goetz, *High School Group Leader, Academic Improvement and Teacher Quality Programs, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education*
 Issues and challenges of high school improvement for states
- Joseph R. Harris, *Interim Director, National High School Center*
 Overview of Summer Institute, key high school themes, and a definition of systems of support
- 1:45 pm–3:00 pm Panel Discussion on Systems of Support for High School Improvement.....Ballroom A/B**
 Panelists: Governor Bob Wise, *President, Alliance for Excellent Education*
 Jason Snipes, *Director of Research, Council of the Great City Schools*
 Rose Owens-West, *Associate Director, California Comprehensive Center, WestEd*
 Moderator: Steve Fleischman, *Vice President, American Institutes for Research*
- 3:00 pm–3:15 pm Break.....Solarium**



3:15 pm–4:45 pm RCCs/States Working Groups on Defining Systems of Support

Group 1.....Marquette Room
 Facilitator: Joseph R. Harris, *Interim Director, National High School Center*
 Topical Expert: Todd D. Flaherty, *Rhode Island Deputy Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education, Rhode Island Department of Education*
 RCCs: California, Northwest, Southwest, Texas
 States: Arizona, California, New Mexico, Washington, Wyoming

Group 2.....Lafayette Room
 Facilitator: Circe Stumbo, *President, West Wind Education Policy, Inc.*
 Topical Expert: Libia S. Gil, *Senior Fellow, American Institutes for Research*
 RCCs: Mid-Continent, North Central, New York
 States: Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New York

Group 3.....Montcalm Room
 Facilitator: Susan Galletti, *Director of Development, West Wind Education Policy, Inc.*
 Topical Expert: Rose Owens-West, *Associate Director, California Comprehensive Center, WestEd*
 RCCs: Great Lakes East, Great Lakes West, Mid-Atlantic, New England
 States: Delaware, Ohio, Wisconsin

Group 4.....LaSalle Room
 Facilitator: Saskia Levy, *Senior Research Associate, MDRC*
 Topical Expert: Steve Fleischman, *Vice President, American Institutes for Research*
 RCCs: Appalachia, Florida and Islands, Pacific, Southeast
 States: Florida, Georgia, Guam, Hawaii, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Tennessee

4:45 pm–5:00 pm Break..... Solarium



- 5:00 pm–5:30 pm** **Report Out & Wrap Up**.....Ballroom A/B
- 6:30 pm–8:00 pm** **Dinner**.....Ballroom A/B
 Robert Balfanz and Nettie Legters, *Research Scientists, The Center for Social Organization of Schools at The Johns Hopkins University*

TUESDAY, JUNE 12

- 8:00 am–8:45 am** **Breakfast**.....Solarium
- 8:45 am–9:00 am** **Welcome and Day Overview**.....Ballroom A/B
- 9:00 am–10:15 am** **Panel Discussion on High School Literacy**.....Ballroom A/B
 Panelists: Don Deshler, *Director, Center for Research on Learning*
 James Kemple, *Director, K–12 Education Policy, MDRC*
 Aída Walqui, *Director, Teacher Professional Development Program, WestEd*
 Lucy Trautman, *NCLB Technical Assistance Coordinator, Mid-Continent Comprehensive Center*
 Sarah Thomas, *Director, Improvement and Support Team, Kansas State Department of Education*
 Sharon Hoge, *Language Arts Coordinator, K–5, Reading K–12, Columbia Public Schools, Columbia, Missouri*
 Moderator: Terry Salinger, *Managing Director and Chief Scientist for Reading Research, American Institutes for Research*
- 10:15 am–10:30 am** **Break**.....Solarium
- 10:30 am–12 noon** **RCCs/States Working Groups on Systems of Support for High School Literacy**
- Group 1**.....Marquette Room
 Facilitator: Nanette Koelsch, *Senior Research Associate, WestEd*
 Topical Experts: Terry Salinger, *Managing Director and Chief Scientist for Reading Research, American Institutes for Research*
 Steven J. Leinwand, *Principal Research Analyst, American Institutes for Research*
 RCCs: California, Northwest, Southwest, Texas
 States: Arizona, California, New Mexico, Washington, Wyoming



Group 2.....Lafayette Room
 Facilitator: Thomas A. Lindsley, *Director, Washington, DC, Office, National Center for Educational Accountability*
 Topical Expert: James Kemple, *Director, K–12 Education Policy, MDRC*
 RCCs: Mid-Continent, North Central, New York
 States: Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New York

Group 3.....Montcalm Room
 Facilitator: Susan Galletti, *Director of Development, West Wind Education Policy, Inc.*
 Topical Expert: Maria Santos, *Senior Instructional Manager and Superintendent, Office of English Language Learners, New York City Department of Education*
 RCCs: Great Lakes East, Great Lakes West, Mid-Atlantic, New England
 States: Delaware, Ohio, Wisconsin

Group 4.....LaSalle Room
 Facilitator: Circe Stumbo, *President, West Wind Education Policy, Inc.*
 Topical Expert: Aída Walqui, *Director, Teacher Professional Development Program, WestEd*
 RCCs: Appalachia, Florida and Islands, Pacific, Southeast
 States: Florida, Georgia, Guam, Hawaii, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Tennessee

12 noon–2:00 pm Lunch and Panel Discussion on Dropout Prevention.....Ballroom A/B
 Panelists: Dane Linn, *Director, Education Division, National Governors Association Center for Best Practices*
 Sandra Covington-Smith, *Research Associate, National Dropout Prevention Center for Students with Disabilities*
 Ceri Dean, *Director, North Central Comprehensive Center and Vice President, Field Services, McREL*
 Camilla Lehr, *Coordinator, Dropout Prevention, Retention, and Graduation Initiative, Minnesota Department of Education*
 Moderator: David Osher, *Managing Research Scientist, American Institutes for Research*



2:00 pm–3:30 pm

RCCs/States Working Groups on Systems of Support for Dropout Prevention**Group 1**.....Marquette RoomFacilitator: Nancy Reder, *Deputy Executive Director, National Association of State Directors of Special Education*Topical Expert: David Osher, *Managing Research Scientist, American Institutes for Research*

RCCs: Florida and Islands, Mid-Continent, Southeast

States: Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Missouri

Group 2.....Lafayette RoomFacilitator: Robert J. Ivry, *Senior Vice President of Development and External Affairs, MDRC*Topical Expert: Nancy Safer, *Managing Director, American Institutes for Research*

RCCs: Great Lakes East, Great Lakes West, Mid-Atlantic, Southwest, Texas

States: Arizona, Delaware, New Mexico, Ohio, Wisconsin

Group 3.....Montcalm RoomFacilitator: Brian Cobb, *Professor, School of Education, Colorado State University*Topical Expert: JoAnne M. Malloy, *Assistant Professor of Clinical Services, Institute on Disability, University of New Hampshire*

RCCs: North Central, Northwest, Pacific

States: Guam, Hawaii, Minnesota, Nebraska, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Washington, Wyoming

Group 4.....LaSalle RoomFacilitator: Ann Coles, *Senior Advisor for College Access, The Education Resources Institute*Topical Expert: Sandra Covington-Smith, *Research Associate, National Dropout Prevention Center for Students with Disabilities*

RCCs: Appalachia, California, New England, New York

States: California, New York, Tennessee



- 3:30 pm–3:45 pm** **Break**.....Solarium
- 3:45 pm–5:00 pm** **Report Out (Jigsaw Activity) & Wrap Up**.....Ballroom A/B
- 5:00 pm** **Dinner on your own**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

- 8:00 am–8:45 am** **Continental Breakfast, Welcome, and Day Overview**.....Solarium
- 8:45 am–10:00 am** **Panel Discussion on Transitions into High School**.....Ballroom A/B
 Panelists: John R. Nori, *Director, Instructional Leadership Resources, National Association of Secondary School Principals*
 John Q. Easton, *Executive Director, Consortium on Chicago School Research*
 Georgeanne Oxnam, *Consultant, Appalachia Regional Comprehensive Center, Edvantia, Inc.*
 Linda Creek, *Middle Grade Coordinator, Tennessee Department of Education*
 Moderator: Monica Martinez, *Vice President for Education Strategy, KnowledgeWorks Foundation*
- 10:00 am–10:30 am** **Break and Hotel Check-Out**..... Solarium
- 10:30 am–12 noon** **RCCs/States Working Groups on Systems of Support for Transitions into High School**
- Group 1**.....Marquette Room
 Facilitator: Charles Storey, *Principal Research Analyst, American Institutes for Research*
 Topical Expert: Becky Smerdon, *Senior Research Associate, Education Policy Center, The Urban Institute*
 RCCs: Appalachia, Great Lakes East, Great Lakes West, North Central
 States: Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio, Tennessee, Wisconsin



Group 2.....Montcalm Room
 Facilitator: Darren Woodruff, *Principal Research Analyst, American Institutes for Research*
 Topical Expert: Robert J. Ivry, *Senior Vice President of Development and External Affairs, MDRC*
 RCCs: Florida and Islands, New England, Pacific, Southeast
 States: Florida, Georgia, Guam, Hawaii, Republic of the Marshall Islands

Group 3.....Renoir Room
 Facilitator: Naomi G. Housman, *Director, National High School Alliance, Institute for Educational Leadership*
 Topical Expert: Corrine Herlihy, *Research Associate, MDRC*
 RCCs: California, Mid-Continent, New York
 States: California, Kansas, Missouri, New York

Group 4.....LaSalle Room
 Facilitator: Joseph R. Harris, *Interim Director, National High School Center*
 Topical Expert: Jose Martinez, *Area III Superintendent, Racine Unified School District, Racine, Wisconsin*
 RCCs: Mid-Atlantic, Northwest, Southwest, Texas
 States: Arizona, Delaware, New Mexico, Washington, Wyoming

12 noon–1:00 pm Report Out (Gallery Walk Activity) & Wrap Up.....Ballroom A/B
 RCCs report out and identify two next steps with states related to one of the Institute themes

1:00 pm–3:00 pm Box Lunch
 Meeting Rooms Available (LaSalle, Marquette, Renoir, Montcalm)