

Forum Agenda

March 11–13, 2007 | Scottsdale, AZ



DAY 1 SUNDAY, MARCH 11

Time	Session
6:00 pm	Reception at the Café/North Pool <i>(In the event of inclement weather: Mezzanine/Terrace)</i>

DAY 2 MONDAY, MARCH 12

7:00 am	Continental Breakfast at the Café/North Pool	
8:00 am	<p>OPENING SESSION</p> <p>Location: Grand Ballroom E & F Facilitators: Warren Simmons, Dennie Palmer Wolf Goal: To introduce and begin to explore the “smart education system” concept in two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sharing a set of preliminary dimensions of an SES • discussing one site’s work as an entry point to building a smart system at scale 	
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	<p>Manchester Bidwell Corporation (Pittsburgh)</p> <p>A set of community-based organizations, under the umbrella of the Manchester Bidwell Corporation, creating pathways through education to employment in a neighborhood in need, using arts programming to inspire urban youth and innovative career training to support struggling adults</p>	<p>Joshua Green, <i>Director of Education Programs, Manchester Craftsmen’s Guild</i></p> <p>Liz Hayes, <i>Director of Human Resources, Manchester Bidwell Corporation</i></p> <p>Bruce Jones, <i>Evaluator & David C. Anchin Endowed Professor of Education, University of South Florida</i></p> <p>Gallina Naim, <i>Coordinator, Learner Centered Arts Integration Reform Model</i></p> <p>Joanna Papada, <i>Vice President of Operations, Manchester Craftsmen’s Guild</i></p> <p>Bill Strickland, <i>President, Manchester Bidwell Corporation</i></p> <p>Jeffrey Thomas, <i>President & Chief Executive Officer, Burrell Foster</i></p>
	<p>Panel Discussion with our Forum Advisors: Greg Hodge, <i>education consultant</i> Linda Powell Pruitt, <i>education consultant</i> Jesse Register, <i>former superintendent, Hamilton County Schools</i> Heather Weiss, <i>Harvard Family Research Project</i></p>	

Meeting Coordinators Carol Walker, Tyanne Carter, or Miriam Aguilar will be available at the Registration Table to answer questions and provide support.

Time	Session			
9:45 am	SESSION 1: Entry Points to a Smart Education System			
	<i>Goal: To enable participants to reach an understanding, in some depth, of the nature of a particular entry point into a smart education system; this discussion will set the stage for further inquiry around the challenges of scaling up</i>			
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	<p>Dallas Arts Learning Initiative (DALI) Location: Las Palmas A Facilitators: Richard Gray, Jude Pelchat</p> <p>A citywide collaborative of over fifty arts and cultural organizations, the urban school district, and city government to ensure equal access to arts learning opportunities, in and out of school, to all Dallas ISD elementary students</p>	<p>Gigi Antoni, <i>Executive Director, Big Thought</i> Hollis Brashear, <i>Former Trustee, Dallas ISD, and member, DALI Steering Committee</i> Laurie Evans, <i>Director, Dallas Public Library System, and member, DALI Steering Committee</i> Maria Muñoz-Blanco, <i>Executive Director, City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs</i> Gina Thorsen, <i>Senior Program Director, Big Thought</i> Craig Welle, <i>Executive Director for Fine and Performing Arts, Dallas ISD, and chair, DALI Lead Working Group</i></p>		
<p>Logan Square Neighborhood Association (Chicago) Location: Las Palmas B Facilitators: Barbara Gross, Alethea Raynor</p> <p>A neighborhood association working with parents to build a comprehensive set of programs to create opportunities for parents to support their neighborhood schools in a broad set of roles, including classroom tutoring, community organizing, school council membership, community learning center employment, and training to be bilingual educators</p>	<p>Joanna Brown, <i>Director of Education Organizing, LSNA</i> Olga La Luz, <i>Area Instructional Coordinator, Chicago Public Schools</i> Ofelia Sanchez, <i>Parent Tutor Coordinator, LSNA</i> Claudia Solano, <i>Bilingual Coordinator and a lead teacher for LSNA parent programs at Darwin Elementary School, CPS</i></p>			
<p>Hamilton County/Chattanooga Location: Las Palmas C Facilitators: Norm Fruchter, Debi King</p> <p>A countywide collaboration between the school district, foundations, businesses, post-secondary education institutions, and other civic partners to build pathways of success from high school to college and employment</p>	<p>Dan Challener, <i>President, Hamilton County/Chattanooga Public Education Foundation</i> Stacy Goodwin Lightfoot, <i>Program Director, College Access Center</i> Jesse Register, <i>Former Superintendent, Hamilton County Schools</i> Jim Scales, <i>Superintendent, Hamilton County Schools</i></p>			
<p>Urban Youth Collaborative, New York City Location: JD's Terrace Facilitators: Kavitha Mediratta, Heather Harding</p> <p>Youth organizing, in a citywide collaborative of high school student organizations, to improve college preparatory supports and expand youth voice in New York City high schools</p>	<p>Hema Bissessar, <i>senior, Franklin K. Lane High School, Brooklyn, and a leader in Future of Tomorrow</i> Amy Cohen, <i>Collaborative Coordinator (UYC), Community Involvement Program, Annenberg Institute</i> Ronald de la Cruz, <i>freshman, Brooklyn College, and a founding leader of Future of Tomorrow</i> Seema Shah, <i>Research Associate/Study Director, Community Involvement Program, Annenberg Institute</i></p>			
11:45 am	Lunch at the Café/North Pool			

Time	Session
1:00 pm	<p>SESSION 2: Scaling Up to an SES</p> <hr/> <p>Goal: <i>To create a dialogue among all participants, including site team members, about the potentials and problems in moving from an entry point to a full-scale smart education system</i></p>
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3:00 pm	Transition to Session 3
3:15 pm	<p>SESSION 3: Mobilizing for SES</p> <hr/> <p>Goal: <i>To help participants grapple with issues around their specific roles in building and sustaining partnerships and cross-sector collaboration, sharing reflections and ideas from the earlier sessions</i> <i>(Participants self-select into the following role-alike groups)</i></p>
	<p>Group 1 – Researchers Location: Las Palmas A Facilitator: Heather Harding</p>
	<p>Group 2 – Reform Support Organizations Location: Las Palmas B Facilitator: Norm Fruchter</p>
	<p>Group 3 – Funders Location: Las Palmas C Facilitator: Warren Simmons</p>
	<p>Group 4 – Site Teams Location: Grand Ballroom E & F Facilitators: Richard Gray, Dennie Palmer Wolf</p>
	<p>Group 5 – Practitioners Location: JD's Terrace Facilitator: Jude Pelchat</p>
4:30 pm	Session Adjournment (Free Time)
6:00 pm	Reception & Dinner at the Café/North Pool

DAY 3 TUESDAY, MARCH 13

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7:00 am	Breakfast Buffet at the Café/North Pool								
8:15 am	<p>REFLECTIONS ON DAY 2</p> <hr/> <p>Location: Grand Ballroom E & F Advisors: Greg Hodge, Linda Powell Pruitt, Jesse Register, Heather Weiss Goal: <i>An opportunity for the forum advisors to reflect on what they heard in sessions on Day 2, the implications for developing the ses concept, and the questions and challenges the discussions raised.</i></p>								
9:00 am	<p>SESSION 4: Implications for Practice</p> <hr/> <p>Goal: <i>To explore, in groups representing a variety of roles/perspectives/contexts, the systemic implications for building smart education systems</i> <i>(Participants go to the group matching the colored dot on their name tags.)</i></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Red Group</td> <td>Location: Las Palmas A Facilitator: Barbara Gross</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Blue Group</td> <td>Location: Las Palmas B Facilitator: Alethea Raynor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Green Group</td> <td>Location: Las Palmas C Facilitator: Jude Pelchat</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Yellow Group</td> <td>Location: JD's Terrace Facilitator: Heather Harding</td> </tr> </table>	Red Group	Location: Las Palmas A Facilitator: Barbara Gross	Blue Group	Location: Las Palmas B Facilitator: Alethea Raynor	Green Group	Location: Las Palmas C Facilitator: Jude Pelchat	Yellow Group	Location: JD's Terrace Facilitator: Heather Harding
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11:15 am	<p>CLOSING SESSION</p> <hr/> <p>Location: Grand Ballroom E & F Facilitators: Norm Fruchter, Kavitha Mediratta Goal: <i>To begin to identify, individually and as a group, the next steps in building smart education systems in the communities where we live and work</i></p>								
12:30 pm	Adjournment (box lunches available outside the Grand Ballroom)								