Value-Driven Stakeholder Engagement & Coalition Building

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CRADLE TO CAREER College & Career Readiness Model

EARLY CHILDHOOD
- Kindergarten Readiness

3rd Grade Reading & Math Levels

SCHOOL AGE YOUTH
- Grade Level Reading & Math, STEMM Curriculum
- Science, technology, engineering, math, medicine

College Ready Pathways & Vocational Training, High School Graduation “With A Plan”

WORKFORCE
- College Enrollment Career-Technical Training Graduate & Professional Education
- College Completion Vocational Certifications Workforce Reengagement
- Disconnected Youth, underemployed & unemployed workers

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REGION SERVED
REGIONAL COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

OVERVIEW OF COLLABORATIONS WITHIN THE ELGIN, ILLINOIS REGION

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It takes the whole community to effectively change the future for our children.

EPEL is a community collaboration that brings together...

- Community Leaders – The Mayor and City Government
- Early Childhood Programs
- Local Stakeholders – Library, Businesses, Health Care, Park District and more
- Community agencies serving families and young children
- School District-U-46

...to work collaboratively to build an early childhood system that will improve outcomes for the community’s children.
Building a connected community dedicated to helping young children thrive

Collective Impact Benefit

Engaged Partners

Systemic, Long-Term Change
How System Building Promotes Cradle to Career?

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TEAM COMPOSITION

- Joined by over 150 business and community partners.
- Composed of more than 300 volunteers donating 3,200 hours in FY 2019.
- Partnering with U-46, the second largest school district in Illinois, to implement educational pathways for 12,000 high school students with the goal that all students graduate academic and career ready.
WHY COLLECTIVE IMPACT?

- Needed engagement across 11 communities
- Must grow capacity to serve more than 15,000 middle and high school students
- Focus on current workforce development challenges to shape future workforce availability and preparedness
D509 ALLIANCE FOR COLLEGE READINESS

Elgin Community College & Districts 300, 301, 303 & U-46

Established 2006

Initial foci increasing college readiness rates

Legislative impacts

  - Illinois Postsecondary & Workforce Readiness Act
  - Federal Perkins V Reauthorization

Current areas of focus:

  - Transitional courses
  - Dual credit expansion
  - Career pathway development

*Source: Alliance College Readiness Rates, fall 2018*
ALLIANCE INFRASTRUCTURES

2006-2017

Alliance Advisory Council
- Data Team
- District Leadership Team
- Math Team
- Student Services Team (STEPS)
- Kindergarten Readiness Team
- ELL Team
- ELA Team

2018-Present

- Leadership Team
  - College Transitions & Secondary Partnerships
    - Career Pathways Teams (C1)
    - Transitional Courses (A1, A3)
    - Dual Credit (B1-3)

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STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

PANEL DISCUSSION

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We can only see a **short** distance ahead, but we can see **plenty** there that needs to be done.

*Alan Turing – British Computer Scientist*
THANK YOU