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Community Connected Learning



Indiana Career Collaborative

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Purpose of the Community Convening Organization

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Who is Attending?

- Please take a minute to put your name, position, and district in the chat.
- Also, please add why you are joining this session.
- Please use the chat function to ask questions during the presentation.

My Why?

- Educator
 - Want all students to make a well-informed, best-fit post-secondary decision.
- Parent
 - My children: Employment, Enrollment, Enlistment

Professional Background

- Executive Director CIESC
- Chief Innovation Officer IDOE
- Superintendent Greater Clark, Valparaiso, and Peru
- Asst. Superintendent, Principal, Asst. Principal, Dean,
 Counselor, Teacher East Allen and Churubusco

My Ford NGL Experience

- Greater Clark
 - Became an official Ford NGL Community
 - One Southern Indiana Convening Organization
 - Steering Committee 180 Members
 - 400 Business/Organizational Partners

The FORD NGL MODEL John COMMUNITY CONNECTED LEARNING

Purpose of the Community Convening Organization

- 1. Provide visible leadership related to community-connected transformation within the community.
- 2. Create a meaningful partnership with the district and business and community partners to provide support for the community throughout the Ford NGL Roadmap phases and beyond.
- 3. Support the overall structure for the community-connected transformation process.

Community Convening Organization Roles and Responsibilities

- 1. Engaging business and community organization representatives in the community-connected process to shape the vision and build the community support necessary for long-term sustainability.
- 2. Advocating for shared community vision, accountability, and inter-agency collaboration.
- 3. Identifying a high-level staff person to serve on the Steering Committee (typically, the executive director and/or board member).
- 4. Identifying a community coordinator(s) to serve as a liaison to the district who develops and manages partner relationships for work-based learning experiences.

Community Convening Organization Roles and Responsibilities (continued)

- Expanding and deepening community engagement, including identifying community stakeholders to attend various Ford NGL events, meetings, and workshops throughout the phases of the Ford NGL Roadmap.
- 6. Co-designing the Ford NGL community designation ceremony after master plan approval.
- 7. Serving as a communication partner with the district and among all stakeholders within the community in order to widen and deepen commitment.

Choosing a Community Convening Organization (CCO)

Historically, several types of organizations have served as community convening organizations.

You are looking for an organization with:

- the right combination of community partnerships, community positioning, and leadership strength.
- attributes necessary to support the community through the Ford NGL Roadmap and champion the transformation process.

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Various types of organizations have fulfilled this role including:

- Chambers of commerce
- Workforce investment boards
- Economic development authorities
- Education foundations
- Community-based organizations
- Post-secondary institutions

Learnings from Ford NGL's Work

- Takes a community to scale and sustain successful career academies
- Must have committed leadership in district led by superintendent/district level leader
- Must have strong community convening organization who can mobilize community stakeholders
- School board support is essential
- Ability to mobilize and tap into community spirit vital
- Rushing the process does not work!

"Slow is smooth and smooth is fast!" ~ Ford NGL Coach Starr Herrman

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