# Northern California Summit on Children and Youth 2012 May 17, 2012 – Concurrent Presentations

#### Round 1 -- 11:00 AM

### • Re-Architecting Children's Advocacy: Building The Children's Movement of California

Presented by Ted Lempert, President, Children Now

Interest groups strongly influence what happens, or doesn't happen, in state and federal policymaking. That probably isn't news to you. But what's eye-opening to consider is that children are our nation's largest population segment without competitive representation in this system. Children need all of us to start speaking up together. This presentation will define the top 10 high priority, high impact goals to improve children's health and education.

# ARTS EDUCATION – Enrichment as Part of Equity

Presented by Donn Harris, Executive Director and Artistic Director, Oakland School for the Arts

This presentation will explore a model of school and community focus that inspires creativity, innovation, critical thinking and excitement. In an era of data-driven mandates and so-called academic rigor, Oakland School for the Arts offers a unique and successful alternative. OSA students are the next generation of creative leaders: problem solvers, collaborators, community participants.

#### • It Takes Leadership and Good Old-Fashioned Hard Work

Panel Convened by Alicia Maldonado President, Mockingbird Communications & Senior Consultant to the Campaign for Grade-Level Reading

Panelists: Campaign for Grade Level Reading leaders from Fresno, Sacramento, San Jose, and San Francisco, including: Mary Ann Burke, Ed.D., Director II, Categorical and Special Projects Santa Clara County Office of Education, City of San Jose; Nikolas Howard, Director, Sacramento READS!, Laurel Kloomok, Executive Director, First 5 San Francisco; Luis Santana, Executive Director, Reading and Beyond (Fresno)

Every successful educational initiative requires dynamic leadership and a collaborative effort by a cross-sector group of stakeholders. This panel will highlight the efforts of leaders in Fresno, Sacramento and other communities to support and strengthen educational systems as part of the Campaign for Grade-Level Reading. San Jose – Parent Leadership; Fresno – Nonprofit leadership; Sacramento – City leadership; San Francisco – Linking Health Care

## After the Bell Rings: Out-of-School Time

Panel Convened by Joel Mackey, Executive Director, West Contra Costa Public Education Fund (The Ed. Fund)

Panelists: Tanya Avila, Lead Education Consultant, The Ed. Fund OST Initiative; Monroe Howard, Specialist II, Youth Engagement Services, Sacramento Unified School District; Corey Newhouse, Founder and Principal, Public Profit; Jennifer Peck, Executive Director, Partnership for Children and Youth

The conventional six-hour, 180-day school year is not enough for many students in urban public schools. Discover how the Out-of-School Time movement is working to solve some of the biggest challenges in education by mitigating summer learning loss, improving health outcomes, decreasing violence and transforming the traditional learning day.

#### Round 2 -- 2:15 PM

### • Moving the Goal Line: College Access and Success Beyond High School

Panel Convened by Robert Bunce, Program Director, West Contra Costa Public Education Fund (The Ed. Fund)

Panelists: Peter Kim, Executive Director, Glow Foundation; Katie Tremper, Program Officer, College Access Foundation; Jessica Wright-Davis, Director of Academic and Student Affairs, Making Waves Education Program

To improve the social and economic challenges facing our country, we must dramatically educate many more people beyond high school. Hear from leaders and trailblazers in the field of college access to see how they are increasing higher education attainment rates among first-generation college-going students, low-income students and students of color to help expand college access and success beyond high school.

#### • The Promise of Public Education

Presented by Derek Mitchell, Chief Executive Officer, Partners in School Innovation

Imagine a thriving system of urban public schools that fosters the growth of all of its students and works to eliminate the achievement gap by creating vibrant places to teach, learn and grow, with rigorous standards and an unwavering focus on results. It takes leadership and Partners in School Innovation is one of those leaders. Partners in School Innovation transforms teaching and learning in the lowest-performing American public schools so that every child, regardless of background, thrives in school.

#### • Gateways: Cradle to Career Education and Workforce Partnership

Presented by Dr. Emily Brizendine, Director, Gateways Cradle to Career Partnership, Cal State East Bay

Universities play a critical role in educational leadership. This presentation explores that theme through the Gateways – Cradle to Career Education and Workforce Partnership. Finding that student achievement in mathematics from third grade through middle school worsened during 2009 in the East Bay area, the Gateways Cradle to Career Education and Workforce Partnership has designed a "roadmap to success" to improve student achievement and economic development in the region.

Gateways "Cradle to Career " Partnership and the Gateways East Bay STEM Network is a regional collaborative that brings a diverse array of public, private and non-profit partners together on a regular basis to align resources in ways that allow for collective impact. The partners from Alameda County and Contra Costa County are committed to confronting critical issues in the region's school-to-career pipeline. Gateway's vision is a region of successful students, productive citizen, and thriving cities. Gateways' priority strategies are implemented by networks of service providers working together toward the same goals to improve, align, and leverage resources through sharing of expertise and materials, collaboration, common analysis of data, economies of scale, coordination and integration of services, articulation of programs, and replicate and/or bring programs to scale. In 2012, the Gateways Steering Committee launched the East Bay STEM Network, thereby concentrating Gateways' efforts on addressing the many challenges students face in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) as students move along the education continuum. The East Bay STEM Network is affiliated with the statewide California STEM Learning Network (CSLNet).

#### • Linked Learning: Pathways to College and Career Success

Presented by Dave Yanofsky, Director of Media and Youth Development, ConnectEd: The California Center for College and Career

Everyone, from the President on down is talking about our youth being College & Career Ready. What does that mean? How do we do it? Linked Learning has quickly become the most promising strategy for transforming California high schools and preparing our students for college and career. Come engage in an interactive session to learn about Linked Learning and from one another.