

Notes for Region 9

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Notes:

Michigan.gov/promisезones

(Cut down 4 topic areas to 2)

If you talk about access as an integrated approach what are gaps in our community that prevent access?

- Quality of education varies
- College drop-out are a waste of the state's investment
- People spend time in college making-up for what they didn't learn before- remediation

Are there community assets that help with access?

- We have a capacity for education

Is common goal of 60% post-secondary degree possible in our community?

- Nat'l average ~24%
- Ingham ~ 45%

Is there a disconnect w/ higher education and the job market?

- People w/ college degrees are going back
- We should get jobs lined up to what people are studying
- Need parental involvement

Is our region looking towards becoming a promise zone?

- Yes- Lansing
- Federal government 2:1 match \$ for college access

Random comments

- Merit curriculum => credit recovery
- The portal will be key for communication
- Computer based learning is augmenting education
- Popular Narrative: community college is too popular of a destination for 1st generation college students

Who will initiate the conversation and where?

- Tri-county effort
 - Educators
 - MI works
 - Government
 - Business
 - Media

Hope Scholars

- 6th grade => college
- Talk to Jack
- 180/500 kids go to college
- 55 hope scholarships
- Coordinators are paid stipends
- 12 board members
- Raised millions
- Can tell you pros and cons

MSU K-12 Outreach

- Lots of research
- Dropout
- Remedial Education
- Testing Rates
- Would be an ally to help school districts identify problems and then help them to problem solve

More comments without direction

- Right hand doesn't know what the left hand is doing
- Portal is huge in terms of connecting to each other

May 11th 8:30-12:00 @ Ingham County Health Building

- Another meeting about education and access
- Creating grassroots community
- Contact Mike at Mike@eduguide.org