

**Learning for Growth: The Gateway Cities Education Summit**  
**February 4, 2011**  
**The Beechwood Hotel, Worcester, MA**

- 8:30 am Registration and Networking
- 9:00 am Welcoming remarks
- Greg Torres, President, MassINC
  - Nick Donohue, President & CEO, Nellie Mae Education Foundation
- 9:15 am Keynote—Governor of the Commonwealth, the Honorable Deval Patrick (*invited*)
- 9:35 am Educational Attainment and the American Dream in Gateway Cities  
Dr. Andy Sum, Director, Northeastern University Center for Labor Market Studies
- 9:50 am Break
- 10:00 am Improving Student Learning, Educational Outcomes, and the Skills of the Workforce in Gateway Cities: Next step for policy and practice. Panel discussion featuring:
- Massachusetts Secretary of Education Paul Reville
  - Representative Marty Walz, Chair of the Joint Committee on Education
  - Mayor Scott Lang, City of New Bedford
  - Dr. Alan Ingram, Superintendent, Springfield Public Schools
  - Paul Toner, President, Mass Teachers Association
- Moderated by John Schneider, Executive Vice President, MassINC
- 11:00 am A New Era of Education Reform: Utilizing Student-Centered Learning Strategies to Improve Educational Outcomes  
*Introduce Gateway City leaders to new thinking about student learning and school improvement.*
- Facilitated by Charles Toulmin, Director of Policy, Nellie Mae Education Foundation
- 11:30 am Strategic Community Partnerships: Supporting Education and Workforce Development in Gateway Cities. Panel discussion featuring
- Tim Garvin, President & CEO, United Way of Central Massachusetts
  - Bob Giannino-Racine, Executive Director, ACCESS
  - Bridget Marquis, Project Director, Talent Dividend
  - Jason Williams, Executive Director, Stand for Children
- Moderated by Linda Noonan, Executive Director, Mass Business Alliance for Education
- 12:30 pm Lunch
- 1:15 pm Learning for Growth, the Emerging Gateway Cities Education and Workforce Development Agenda.
- *Review recommendations made at the 2008 Gateway Cities conference and discuss the implications of current policy, student-centered approaches to learning, and community engagement and partnerships for a Gateway Cities education agenda.*
- Facilitated by Edward Lambert, Director, The Urban Initiative, U Mass Dartmouth
- 2:00 pm Next steps/Adjourn