

		Focus Forward Conference, July 26 - 28, 2010 –Austin, Texas		
Monday, July 26, 2010				
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Registration			
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Opening Reception	Jerel Booker		
		<i>Associate Commissioner, Texas Education Agency</i>		
Tuesday, July 27, 2010				
8 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Registration/Breakfast			
9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Keynote	Ako Kambon		
		<i>Visionary Leaders Institute</i>		
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Break Out Sessions #1			
	Training Classroom Teachers to be Distance Education Teachers - <i>University of Houston, Clear Lake</i>	Think Forward: The Expansion of Project- Based Learning - <i>Manor ISD</i>	New Teacher Success in the Classroom: What Matters Most - <i>New Teacher Center & Pasadena ISD</i>	Strategies for Integrating 21st Century Skills- <i>Atomic Learning</i>
	Closing the Achievement Gap with the AVID College Readiness System - <i>AVID Center</i>	State Policies and Initiatives Addressing College and Career Readiness - <i>Texas Education Agency</i>	Bridging the Gap from a Community AAS Degree to a University Bachelor Degree: Meeting the Needs of Early Childhood Professionals - <i>University of Houston, Clear Lake</i>	The Texas Student Data System: Enabling Powerful Data Use in Texas - <i>Texas Education Agency</i>
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Legislative Luncheon			

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Break Out Sessions #2			
	Developing and Enhancing Engaging Online Communities of Learning - <i>University of Houston, Clear Lake</i>	Addressing the Crisis: Advancing Adolescent Literacy by Integrating the College & Career Readiness Standards into Teacher Education Programs- <i>University of Texas, Meadows Center for Preventing Educational Risk</i>	Money Management 101 - <i>Texas Guaranteed (TG)</i>	Have You Been Forgiven? The Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program: What is it? Who Qualifies and How to Get it - <i>Texas Guaranteed (TG)</i>
	Focus on Technology Integration: Sneak-Peak at New Video and Website - <i>AMS Pictures</i>	Using Adobe Acrobat Connect Pro for Professional Development - <i>Texas Comprehensive Center at SEDL</i>	Connecting the Dots to Education & Training - <i>Frenship ISD</i>	The Art of Teaching from a Cart: Cost-Effective Support for Floating-Teacher Success and Student Achievement - <i>Pasadena ISD</i>
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Break Out Sessions #3			
	Preparing for Generation Next - <i>Brookhaven College</i>	Teacher Professional Development for Certification in Science and Mathematics - <i>University of Texas, Texas Regional Collaborative & Texas A&M University Systems</i>	Assessment, Alignment and Accountability: Leadership for Improving Candidate Performance in an Age of Transparency - <i>Prairie View A&M University</i>	Online Mentoring with a Focus on Literacy Instruction - <i>University of Texas, Arlington</i>
	Developing 21st Century Leaders - <i>University of Texas, San Antonio</i>	An Assistive Technology Training Solution for All - <i>Atomic Learning</i>	Achieve Texas 101: Resource Overview and Highlights of Local Best Practices - <i>Achieve Texas College</i>	Project Share: Professional Development for the 21st Century - <i>Texas Education Agency</i>

Wednesday, July 28				
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast			
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Break Out Sessions #4			
	Using Technology to Increase Student Success: The Online College Preparation Assistance Pilot Program - <i>ConnectEDU</i>	Training Classroom Teachers to be Distance Education Teachers - <i>University of Houston, Clear Lake</i>	The Texas Turnaround Leadership Academy: Identifying and Selecting Turnaround Leaders - <i>ESC Region 13</i>	Meeting the Affective and Linguistic and Cognitive Needs of English Language Learners - <i>Texas Education Agency</i>
	Fostering Algebra and College and Career Readiness through TEA Mathematics Initiatives - <i>Texas Education Agency</i>	An Assistive Technology Training Solution for All - <i>Atomic Learning</i>	The Effects of Ethics Training for School Leaders on Student Performance and Organizational Health - <i>Texas A&M University, Kingsville</i>	Bilingual Target Language Proficiency Test - Spanish (BTLPT) What's New - <i>ETS</i>
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Break Out Sessions #5			
	Building Capacity for School Improvement – <i>Texas Education Agency</i>	T-CERT: TExES Certification Exam Review for Teachers - <i>Texas A&M University Systems</i>	Online Mentoring with a Focus on Literacy Instruction - <i>University of Texas, Arlington</i>	Using Technology Enriched Performance Indicators for Seamless Integration - <i>ESC Region 6</i>
	Achieve Texas 101: Resource Overview and Highlights of Local Best Practices - <i>Achieve Texas College</i>	Developing and Enhancing Engaging Online Communities of Learning - <i>University of Houston, Clear Lake</i>	Strategies for Integrating 21st Century Skills- <i>Atomic Learning</i>	

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Doodle for Google Luncheon			
		Stacey Darnall		
		Karen Finkler		
		Kaylie McFerrin		
		<i>John G. Tower Elementary School</i>		
		Wichita Falls, Texas		