



2023 VIRGINIA EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 26, 2023 | 9:00AM-2:00PM
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Agenda

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	NETWORKING REGISTRATION
9:00 AM – 9:20 AM	WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS Barry DuVal , President & CEO, Virginia Chamber of Commerce Kirk Cox , President, Virginia Business Higher Education Council
9:20 AM – 9:25 AM	INTRODUCTION OF MORNING KEYNOTE Barry DuVal
9:25 AM – 9:45 AM	MORNING KEYNOTE REMARKS Stephen Moret , President and CEO, Strada Education Foundation
9:45 AM – 9:50 AM	PANEL INTRODUCTION Wendy Shields , Senior Manager, Community Impact, Altria Client Services
9:50 AM - 10:35 AM	PANEL DISCUSSION – THE VALUE AND IMPACT OF INTERNSHIPS & WORK-BASED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES ON DEVELOPING TALENT PIPELINES Moderator: The Honorable Aimee Guidera , Virginia Secretary of Education, Office of the Governor Panelists <ol style="list-style-type: none">Dr. Alisha Bazemore, Assistant Director for Innovative Work-Based Learning Initiatives, Strategic Planning and Policy Studies, State Council of Higher Education for VirginiaKenya Brown, Logistics Data Analyst, Micron Technology VirginiaMark Pace, President and Owner, E.C. Pace CompanyDr. Katherine Rowe, President, William & MaryLauren Walton, Program Manager, U.S. Apprenticeships, Google
10:35 AM – 10:50 AM	NETWORKING BREAK
10:50 AM – 10:55 AM	PANEL INTRODUCTION Barry DuVal

10:55 AM – 11:40 AM

PANEL DISCUSSION – DEVELOPING TALENT PATHWAYS TO MEET WORKFORCE DEMANDS: HELP VIRGINIA ATTRACT AND RETAIN A SKILLED WORKFORCE

Moderator: Dennis Treacy, Senior Counsel, Reed Smith and Chair, Virginia Business Higher Education Council

Panelists:

1. **Dr. Javaune Adams-Gaston**, President, Norfolk State University
2. **Nancy Howell Agee**, Chief Executive Officer, Carilion Clinic
3. **Dr. Amy Cashwell**, Superintendent, Henrico County Public Schools
4. **Dr. David Doré**, Chancellor, Virginia Community College System
5. **Colin Newman**, National Director of Workforce and Economic Development, Amazon

11:40 AM – 11:45 AM

PANEL INTRODUCTION

Matt Kellam, Manager, Workforce Planning & Development, Dominion Energy

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM

PANEL DISCUSSION - GETTING UNEMPLOYED AND UNDEREMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS BACK IN THE WORKFORCE

Moderator: Tina Pfalzgraf, Chief Human Resources Officer, The Branch Group and Co-Chair, Blueprint Virginia 2030 Workforce and Education Executive Committee

Panelists:

1. **Kasia Grzelkowski**, President and CEO, VersAbility Resources
2. **Dr. Sarah Scarbrough**, Founder and Director, REAL LIFE
3. **John Wilson**, Market President, Addiction Recovery Care (ARC)

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM

LUNCHEON PROGRAM

WELCOME

Barry DuVal

SPECIAL AWARD PRESENTATION

Barry DuVal

KEYNOTE REMARKS

Edmond Hughes, EVP and Chief Human Resources Officer, HII