

**Breakout Session Notes:**

**Career Pathways, Degree Attainment & Job Growth: Improving educational attainment and skills-job alignment for vibrant local careers and economic growth**

**A. Highlights/Themes**

1. We need broader definition of education that includes concepts of trades and technology. Early college is an example of this concept.
2. We need to focus on talent development. Many of us have multiple careers. We need communication and critical thinking skills.
3. We need to connect to our students and keep all students in the workforce pipeline. We each need to find a student to encourage and support through college. This is the responsibility of all of us. So find a student and make a personal connection, stay connected.