



Forum 1: Education & Workforce

8:30 AM	Registration/Breakfast
9:00 AM	Opening Remarks by Mike Eastland, Executive Director, NCTCOG Welcome/Introduction of Moderator, Lori McMahon, Board Chair of NTC
9:15 AM	NTX Education Status and Outlook Moderator: Dr. Cullum Clark, Director of the Bush Institute-SMU Economic Growth Initiative Expert Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Gordon Taylor, Executive Director, Education Service Center-Region 10• Dr. Clyde Steelman, Executive Director, Education Service Center-Region 11
10:15 AM	Reaction/Discussion NTX Education Status and Outlook Facilitated Discussion by Dan Johnson, NTC Local Government and Policy Advisor
10:45 AM	NTX Workforce Status and Outlook Moderator: Dr. Cullum Clark Expert Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bryan Daniel, Chairman, Texas Workforce Commission• Phedra Redifer, Executive Director, Workforce Solutions for North Central Texas• Daphne Rickard Kent, President, North Central Texas InterLink, Inc.
11:45 AM	Reaction/Discussion: NTX Workforce Status and Outlook Facilitated Discussion by Dan Johnson
12:00 PM	Closing Remarks/Next Steps by Chris Wallace, President/CEO, NTC
12:15 PM	Adjourn



Collective thought. Unified Goals. Sustained Action.

Our Metroplex is growing and thriving, however the shaping forces of a pandemic, evolving technology, leadership transitions, politics, demographic changes, legislative direction, economic and environmental changes impact the potency of prior planning and compel our attention to identify the refinements and next regional imperatives to be addressed.

Regional challenges require solutions brought from collective thought, unified goals and sustained action. These sessions will be the beginning of an ongoing structure to execute the plans needed to enrich and empower our region to thrive for generations.

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