

Content and Design of the Pathways to Adult Success National Conference

One hundred fifty practitioners, researchers, and policy advocates from more than 27 states, with the support of Joanna Fox and Robert Balfanz from the Everyone Graduates Center at Johns Hopkins University School of Education, have spent three years developing the Pathways to Adult Success (PAS) vision and framework.

At the conference, you will learn from and with experienced practitioners who are working to turn the framework into effective solutions in their schools, districts and states.

The two-day conference is organized around five PAS learning strands, each detailing a critical component of helping students progress from K-12 through postsecondary options to adult success.

You can either dive into one strand or mix and match across strands to access the knowledge and insights that correspond to your interests.

The strands are:

- **Using early warning systems to enable college and career success for all.** Includes:
 - Lessons learned from initial efforts to extend early warning systems to college readiness
 - How local school districts are creating district-wide and teacher team structures to support the scaling and sustainability of early warning systems
 - Pathways to Adult Success workgroup recommendations on best practices for creating EWS 2.0, based on the experience of early adopters of EWS for postsecondary readiness.
- **Guiding students towards post-secondary success.** Includes:
 - How one school district is using college students as high school mentors and tutors to build pathways to college success
 - School and district efforts to provide good post-secondary guidance to all students
 - How non-profit partners help building student capacity as self-navigators of their postsecondary success
- **Creating effective collaborations between K12, institutions of higher education, and workforce development partners.** Includes:
 - State, regional and local efforts to integrate the efforts of K-12, higher ed, and the workplace
 - Intermediaries' and non-profits' work with school districts, higher education, and employers to help more students move from high school graduation to adult success
- **Using data systems that monitor progress towards adult success and provide feedback in “real time” across institutions.** Includes:
 - How to navigate the challenges of data sharing across sectors and institutions
 - How to enable educators to use data to implement early warning systems, improve navigation supports, and engage in cross-sector collaborations
- **Fitting these components together to build a Pathway to Adult Success continuum in your community, district, or state.** Includes:
 - How a district and a regional collaboration are beginning to build Pathways to Adult Success
 - How higher education institutions can redesign themselves and integrate efforts with K-12 partners to increase postsecondary success rates. How high school career and technical education and employers are working together to improve pathways to adult success