



Dear Ford PAS Next Generation Learning Family,

We can't believe that it has been nearly one year since our last gathering. Amazing work has been done in Ford PAS Next Generation Learning communities across the nation since October 2009. Ford PAS academies are being launched and new communities across the country are adopting our framework to bring people together around student success.

We are excited to invite you to attend and participate in the Ford PAS Next Generation Learning Symposium: Part II. The workshop will take place in Detroit, Michigan October 14-15, 2010 at the Greektown Hotel and Casino. Please visit the workshop website for registration, hotel, and other logistical information: [www.meeting-services.org/fordpasngl](http://www.meeting-services.org/fordpasngl)

As in October 2009, this workshop will be a small, invite-only gathering for Ford PAS Next Generation Learning communities to share their experiences and continue developing their community implementation plans. Participants at this workshop will have an opportunity to do the following:

- Develop and deepen a Master Plan for their communities based on the Ford PAS NGL attributes of Transformed Teaching and Learning, High School Redesign, and Sustaining Change through Business and Civic Leadership
- Explore real components of the Ford PAS NGL communities networks' master plans
- Explore and Deepen understanding of the Ford PAS NGL attributes
- Reconnect with each other and collaboratively reflect on our progress and continue growing as a learning community

During this year's Symposium we will take a deeper look at the three strands of the Ford PAS Next Generation Learning framework and how it is coming to life in communities across the nation. We will examine how our partners are transforming teaching and learning in the classroom and the implications these transformations have on communities. We will review various examples of how high school redesign is supporting change in the classroom and taking communities to new heights. We will also hear from businesses and various organizations who are rallying behind school districts and communities to make a change. Current Ford PAS students and alumni will also play a large role in this workshop.

Pre-work and preparation will also be a very large part of this year's Symposium. These two days have been designed to allow each community the opportunity to work together, with facilitated support, to further design and develop your master plan to accelerate growth in your region. Each community team will need to spend time working together prior to arriving in Detroit, and will continue that work with your peers at the Symposium.

This fall we will continue our work to take Ford PAS Next Generation Learning to new levels and be the CHANGE we want for students and communities across the country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Cheryl Carrier'.

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