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Commissioner Lubbers kicking off spring leg of statewide "College Success Tour"

INDIANAPOLIS, IND. -

Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education Teresa Lubbers will be kicking off her spring leg of the statewide "College Success Tour" tomorrow at the Benton Country Club at 11:30 a.m.

"Today we have 50 county coalitions working together to offer students and families across Indiana more opportunities and brighter futures, and we are committed to reaching all 92 Indiana counties," said Lubbers.

Indiana's education attainment level and personal per capita income are two data points that are directly linked to the fact that only a third of Hoosier adults have more than a high school diploma. Indiana has set a goal of increasing the proportion of Hoosiers with a college credential, including one-year workforce certificates, two-year associate degrees and four year bachelor's degrees, to 60 percent of the state's population by 2025.

College Success Summits

Sponsored by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education, the regional "College Success Summits" events highlight the state's premier college scholarship and preparation program for low-income students. Each regional event will be hosted by a county College Success Coalition, a growing statewide network of local organizations working to increase college access and success.

Through the Commission's Learn More Indiana outreach initiative, the state has supported the development of 50 county College Success Coalitions. Learn more about joining or starting a coalition in your county at LearnMoreIndiana.org/Coalitions.

Upcoming Success Dates and Points of Contact

- TBA: Perry County Coalition: Chris Hollinden chris.hollinden@tellcity.k12.in.us
- June 3: Madison County Coalition: Mark Finger <u>mjfinger@att.net</u>
- August 19: Hancock County Coalition: Alyse Vail <u>avail@givehcgrowhc.org</u>

For more details on the upcoming College Success Summit in your area, call 812-349-4142. The events are part of an ongoing public engagement effort designed to increase the education level of all Hoosiers. Learn more about the Commission for Higher Education's "Reaching Higher, Achieving More" strategic plan at www.che.in.gov.