



INDIANA COMMISSION *for*
HIGHER EDUCATION

CAREER RELEVANCE EMPLOYER CONVENING

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

1:00-4:00 pm ET

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1:00 p.m.

Welcome & Keynote

- **Teresa Lubbers**, Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education
- **Pete Yonkman**, President of Cook Group, Inc.
- **Ruth Watkins**, President of Strada Impact, Strada Education Network

2:00 p.m.

Breakout Sessions by Industry

[Agriculture](#)

- *Facilitated by Dawn Clark, Director of Academic Affairs and Transfer*
- **Andy Oppy**, Associate Director of Academic Advisor and Career Services, Purdue University
- **Austin Pearson**, ANR Extension Educator, Purdue Extension
- **Andrea Schwartz**, Dean, School of Advanced Manufacturing, Engineering & Applied Science, Ivy Tech Community College
- **Samantha Otten**, Employee Engagement Specialist, Bane-Welker

[Business/Technology](#)

- *Facilitated by Charlee Beasor, Associate Commissioner for Communications and Outreach*
- **Becca Rice**, Vice President for Governmental Relations, Ball State University
- **Hollin Bolden**, Navistar Inc. Account Manager, Cummins
- **Alex Hammel**, Education Segment Business Champion, SIMBA Chain

[Advanced Manufacturing/Construction](#)

- *Facilitated by Jillian Scholten, Director of Academic Affairs and Talent Credentialing*
- **Brandon Faulk**, Walsh Group Director of Internship in the Division of Construction Engineering and Management, Purdue University
- **Sue Smith**, Vice President for the Technology & Applied Sciences Division and Corporate Executive for Advanced Manufacturing, Ivy Tech Community College
- **Dallas Dreher**, Human Resources Manager, AM General LLC

[Health and Life Sciences/Pharmaceuticals](#)

- *Facilitated by Dr. Ken Sauer, Sr. Associate Commissioner and Chief Academic Officer*
- **Hannah Maxey**, PhD, MPH, RDH, Associate Professor, Department of Family Medicine, Director of the Bowen Center for Health Workforce Research and Policy, Indiana University

[Logistics/Transportation](#)

- *Facilitated by Sean Tierney, Associate Commissioner Policy and Research*
- **Rebecca Clemons**, School of Business and Economics Faculty, Indiana University East
- **Dave Tucker**, VP of Workforce Development/Community Services, Vincennes University
- **Brad Rhorer**, Chief Talent Programs Officer, Conexus Indiana

3:00 p.m.

Report Outs [Return to Main Session](#)

3:15 p.m.

Closing

- **Jason Bearce**, Vice President for Education & Workforce Development, Indiana Chamber of Commerce