

RURAL DROPOUT PREVENTION AND RECOVERY WEBINAR SERIES

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UTILIZING THE VILLAGE: Effective Reengagement and Recovery Programming in Rural Communities

TIME: 90 minutes

DATE/TIME: February 28, 2013, 1:30-3:00 p.m. EST

GOALS:

- Review size and scope of dropout problem in rural communities.
- Propose broader definition of recovery that includes work with both out-of-school youth and in-school youth who are at least 2 years off track for on-time graduation.
- Introduce the current focus in the field to look at different segments of students requiring recovery programming and design programs to meet their specific needs.
- Provide information on importance of career and college-ready standards in all effective recovery programming.
- Showcase key programs and practices that are working in rural communities and provide practitioners with practical advice for implementation.

AGENDA:

Introduction and Welcome

Brief Overview of Adobe Connect Virtual Meeting Room

Overview of the Problem and New Ideas in Dropout Recovery

Overview of Communities in Schools (CIS) Performance Learning Center - Berrien, GA

Gary Chapman, Executive Vice President, CIS National Network
Constance Thomas, Executive Director, Berrien County Collaborative, Inc.,
Communities in Schools/Family Connection

Overview of Youthbuild of Southeast Ohio - McArthur, Ohio

Jeff Fite, Director of Job Readiness and Training for Sojourners Care Network,
Youthbuild of Southeast Ohio

Discussion and Sharing of Lessons Learned for Rural Communities

Closing

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WEBINAR THREE



RESOURCES:

FACT SHEETS ON RECOVERY PROGRAMS:

- *Youthbuild of Southeast Ohio Fact Sheet – McArthur, Ohio*
 - *Communities in Schools Performance Learning Center Fact Sheet – Berrien County, GA*
 - *G.O.A.L. Academy Fact Sheet – Colorado*
 - *Alternative Learning Center Fact Sheet – Haywood County, NC*
 - *College Career and Technology Academy Brief – Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District, TX*
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* Note: All resources are available for download from <http://ruraldropoutprevention.weebly.com/agenda--resources.html>.