



# Building Systemic and Sustainable Turnaround Efforts

An SEA Discussion



## Objectives:

- Highlight state led efforts to improve leadership in turnaround schools, build district capacity, and develop systems of support for turning around low-performing schools.
- Create peer-to-peer learning opportunities.
- Engage state education agency staff in a national conversation on school turnaround.

## Tuesday, September 23, 2014

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General Sessions will be held in **Regency Ballroom A/B**

8:00 – 8:15 **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

**Carlos McCauley**, Director, Center on School Turnaround at WestEd

8:15 – 9:15 **School Turnaround: Continuing the Call to Action**

**Brad Jupp**, Senior Advisor, U.S. Department of Education

9:15 – 10:30 **What Do We Mean by Building a Systemic Approach to School Turnaround?**

*Moderator:* **Lenay Dunn**, Center on School Turnaround

*Panel:* **William Robinson**, Executive Director, University of Virginia Darden Partnership for Leaders in Education; Center on School Turnaround

**Richard Caram**, Assistant State Superintendent, Oklahoma State Department of Education

**Wayne Sailor**, Director of SWIFT Center, Life Span Institute at the University of Kansas

**Coby Meyers**, Senior Researcher, American Institutes for Research

10:30 – 10:45 **Break**

10:45 – 11:30 **State of Turnaround: New Mexico Public Education Department**

**Hanna Skandera**, Secretary of Education, New Mexico Public Education Department

11:30 – 11:45 **Overview of the Breakout Sessions**

**Carlos McCauley**, Director, Center on School Turnaround

11:45 – 1:00 **Lunch**

(12:15-1:00) **(NSTIL Planning Team** will convene for lunch in Harbour A)



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1:00 – 2:15

**Breakout Session #1:** Each session, facilitated by a topic expert, will allow participants to explore key turnaround strategies.

- A. Arkansas Department of Education – Planning and Preparing Districts and Schools for Turnaround (Regency Ballroom A/B)  
*States:* **AK, AR, IA, IL, MD, ME, MO, MS, NE, VA**  
*Facilitator:* **Lenay Dunn**, Center on School Turnaround  
*Presenters:* **Mitzi Smith**, School Improvement Specialist, Arkansas Department of Education  
**LaDonna Spain**, School Improvement Specialist, Arkansas Department of Education
- B. Colorado Department of Education – Leveraging Change in Districts through a School Turnaround Network (Harbour A)  
*States:* **AZ, CO, IN, KY, MI, OK, WA, WI**  
*Facilitator:* **Heather Mattson**, Center on School Turnaround  
*Presenters:* **Peter Sherman**, Executive Director for School and District Performance, Colorado Department of Education  
**Lindsey Dulin Jaeckel**, Director of Turnaround Network, Colorado Department of Education
- C. Montana Office of Public Instruction – Developing an Early Warning System (Harbour B)  
*States:* **AL, MT, NC, ND, NV, PR, WY**  
*Facilitator:* **Julie Corbett**, Corbett Education Consulting; Center on School Turnaround  
*Presenter:* **Eric Meredith**, Education Data Analyst, Montana Office of Public Instruction
- D. Texas Education Agency – Building District Capacity (Regency Ballroom C)  
*States:* **CA, GA, KS, LA, MN, NM, OR, TX, UT**  
*Facilitator:* **Trent Sharp**, Texas Comprehensive Center  
*Presenters:* **Sally Partridge**, Associate Commissioner of Accreditation and School Improvement, Texas Education Agency  
**Michael Greenwalt**, Director, Program Monitoring and Intervention, Texas Education Agency

2:15 – 2:30

**Break**

2:30 – 3:45

**Breakout Session #2:** Each session, facilitated by a topic expert, will allow participants to explore key turnaround strategies.

- A. Georgia Department of Education – Measuring District Effectiveness (Regency Ballroom A/B)  
*States:* **AR, CO, GA, IA, KS, MD, MI, MN, MO, NM, OK, OR, TX**  
*Facilitator:* **Don Doggett**, Southeast Comprehensive Center  
*Presenters:* **Barbara Lunsford**, Associate Superintendent for School Improvement, Georgia Department of Education



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**Patty Rooks**, Program Specialist, Georgia Department of Education

**Samuel Taylor**, Program Manager, Georgia Department of Education

B. New Hampshire Department of Education – Developing Problems of Practice in an Effort to Build Capacity (Harbour A/B)

*States:* **AL, AZ, CA, KY, LA, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, PR, UT**

*Facilitator:* **Mark Williams**, Academic Development Institute; Center on School Turnaround

*Presenters:* **Mary Earick**, Administrator, Bureau of Integrated Programs, New Hampshire Department of Education

**Amy Allen**, Principal Parker Varney School, Manchester, New Hampshire

**Michael Quigley**, Idlehurst Elementary School, Somersworth, New Hampshire

C. Virginia Department of Education – Lead Turnaround Partners (Regency Ballroom C)

*States:* **AK, IL, IN, ME, NV, VA, WA, WI, WY**

*Facilitator:* **Kandace Jones**, Appalachia Regional Comprehensive Center

*Presenter:* **Yvonne Holloman**, Associate Director, Office of School Improvement, Virginia Department of Education

3:45 – 4:00 **Break**

4:00 – 4:45 **State of Turnaround: Montana Department of Public Instruction**  
**Denise Juneau**, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Montana Office of Public Instruction

4:45 – 5:00 **Day 1 Wrap Up and Reflections**  
**Carlos McCauley**, Director, Center on School Turnaround at WestEd

5:00 – 6:00 **Topical Discussions (Optional)**  
An optional session that will allow SEA participants the opportunity to reflect and discuss several topics highlighted during the conference.

A. Growing Turnaround Leaders (Harbour A/B)

B. Measuring Turnaround Success (Regency Ballroom C)



## Wednesday, September 24, 2014

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General Sessions will be held in **Regency Ballroom A/B**

9:00 – 9:15 **Reflections and Overview of Day 2**

**Carlos McCauley**, Director, Center on School Turnaround at WestEd

9:15 – 10:15 **School Turnaround: Leveraging Federal Initiatives**

*Moderator:* **Carlos McCauley**, Center on School Turnaround

*Panel:* **Michael Yudin**, Assistant Secretary, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, U.S. Department of Education  
**Scott Sargrad**, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education

10:15 – 10:30 **Break**

10:30 – 11:45 **Breakout Session #3:** Each session, facilitated by a topic expert, will allow participants to explore key turnaround strategies.

A. Indiana Department of Education – Developing Intentional Statewide Tiered Support Systems (Regency Ballroom A/B)

*States:* **AL, CO, GA, IN, LA, MD, ME, MO, MS, MT, NM, NV, WI**

*Facilitator:* **Alison Segal**, Mass Insight Education

*Presenters:* **Cindy Hurst**, State Title I Coordinator, Indiana State Department of Education

**Charlie Geier**, Director of Early Learning and Intervention, Indiana State Department of Education

B. Kentucky Department of Education – Developing Turnaround Coaches (Harbour A/B)

*States:* **AK, AR, AZ, CA, KY, ND, OK, OR, TX, UT, VA, WY**

*Facilitator:* **Lenay Dunn**, Center on School Turnaround

*Presenters:* **Deb Page**, President, The Institute of Performance Improvement

**David Raleigh**, Superintendent, Owen County School District

**Danny Osborne**, Principal, Owen County High School

C. Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction – Ensuring Equity for All Students (Regency Ballroom C)

*States:* **IA, IL, KS, MI, MN, NE, NC, PR, WA**

*Facilitator:* **Caryn Ward**, National Implementation Research Network/Partner; Center on School Turnaround

*Presenters:* **Andrew Kelly**, Assistant Superintendent for Student and School Success

**Teresa Brown**, Assistant of Outreach, Indiana State Department of Education



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11:45 – 1:00 **Lunch**

1:00 – 2:15 **Breakout Session #4:** Each session, facilitated by a topic expert, will allow participants to explore key turnaround strategies.

A. Kansas State Department of Education – Integrating Continuous School Improvement Efforts (Regency Ballroom C)

*States:* **AK, AR, AZ, LA, ME, MI, MT, ND, TX, UT**

*Facilitator:* **Heather Mattson**, Center on School Turnaround

*Presenters:* **Colleen Riley**, Director Early Childhood, Special Education and Title I Services

**Sandra Guidry**, Assistant Director, Early Childhood, Special Education and Title I Services

B. Minnesota Department of Education – Building Regional Support Systems (Harbour A/B)

*States:* **CO, GA, IA, IL, KS, MN, NE, WA, WI, WY**

*Facilitator:* **Rachel Trimble**, Midwest Regional Comprehensive Center

*Presenters:* **Gregory Keith**, Director of the Division of School Support, Minnesota Department of Education

**Elizabeth Ziemer**, Statewide System of Support and School Improvement Grant Program Supervisor, Minnesota Department of Education

C. New Mexico Public Education Department – Effective Leadership in Turnaround Schools: Principals Pursuing Excellence (Regency Ballroom A/B)

*States:* **AL, CA, IN, KY, MD, MO, MS, NM, NV, NC, OK, OR, PR, VA**

*Facilitator:* **Bryan Hassel**, Public Impact

*Presenters:* **Elisabeth Peterson**, Turnaround Specialist, Priority Schools Bureau New Mexico Public Education Department

2:15 – 2:30 **Break**

2:30 – 3:45 **Sustaining School Turnaround Efforts**

*Facilitator:* **Caryn Ward**, National Implementation Research Network/Partner; Center on School Turnaround

*Panel:* **Melody Musgrove**, Director, Office of Special Education, U.S. Department of Education

**Kim Benton**, Chief Academic Officer, Mississippi Department of Education

**Dallas Hambrick**, Researcher, University of Virginia Darden/Curry Partnership for Leaders in Education

3:45 – 4:30 **Key Takeaways and Wrap Up**

**Carlos McCauley**, Director, Center on School Turnaround at WestEd