Promising Practices To Close The Achievement Gap
Building Partnerships To Reach All Students
AMSD Policy Conference
Wednesday, December 9, 2015

Agenda

7:30AM-8:00AM  Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00AM-8:05AM  Welcome and Introductions
Rebecca Gagnon, AMSD Chair

8:05AM-9:00AM  Keynote Address: Diversity and Inclusion
Dr. MayKao Hang, CEO, Wilder Foundation

9:00AM-9:15AM  Break

9:15AM – 10:30AM Breakout Sessions (3 presentations in each breakout session)

- **Hamline Room:** Supporting Early Learners
  - All Day Kindergarten: Achieving Literacy Benchmarks St. Louis Park Public Schools
  - Partnering Within the Community: Robbinsdale Area Schools
  - Using Data to Inform Program Improvement Bloomington Schools and MN Reading Corps

- **Larpenteur Room:** Preparing Tomorrow’s Workforce
  - SPARK: STEAM-based Approach to Closing the Achievement Gap: Roseville Area Schools
  - STEAM: A Powerful Source for Youth Faribault Public Schools
  - It Takes a Village to Close the Gap Eastern Carver County Schools

- **Grand Hall:** Engaging Diverse Learners and Communities
  - “But we’ve always done it this way!” How good intentions perpetuate racial disparities in our schools: Osseo Area Schools
  - Confronting Disproportionately in Special Education: Minneapolis Public Schools
  - District/YMCA partnership Extends Reach to Students and Families: White Bear Lake Area Schools

10:30AM – 10:45AM  Transition to Next Round of Breakout Sessions

10:45AM – 12:00PM  Repeat Breakout Sessions

12:00PM  Lunch

12:15PM – 1:00PM  Luncheon Panel: Measuring the Impact of Partnerships

Eric Moore, Minneapolis Public Schools
David Heistad, Bloomington Public Schools