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New Legislation to Rethink Twelfth Grade

U.S. Senators Maggie Hassan (D-NH) and Todd Young (R-IN) have introduced the Fast Track To and Through College Act, a bill that would increase college completion and reduce college costs by allowing academically prepared high school students to take the equivalent of their freshman year of college free-of-charge during their senior year of high school. In response, Alliance for Excellent Education President Deb Delisle called the bill "a home run."

"At a time of soaring college costs and increased 'senioritis,' the Fast Track To and Through College Act keeps students engaged in their education, saves them money, and helps them earn credits toward their college degree," said Delisle.

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Click to Tweet: @All4Ed President @DebDelisle praises new legislation to rethink the 12th grade, introduced by @SenatorHassan & @SenToddYoung. Learn more about the #FastTrackAct: bit.ly/2NogAIF



Creativity Unlocked: How a 1:1 Initiative and New Makerspaces Make Learning Personal

Bobbi-Ann Barnes isn't shy about how she feels about worksheets. "I have never cared for worksheets. They are not engaging and simply require rote memorization," says Barnes, assistant superintendent in Deer Lakes School District in northern Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. "Does a kid go home and say, 'I had a great time doing a worksheet'? There are so many other things that you can be doing creatively as a teacher."

The key is helping teachers unlock that creativity.

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Click to Tweet: "We wanted to give our kids opportunities to be engaged, to be creative." Learn how #makerspaces are making learning personal in @deerlakessd with the help of @FutureReady. bit.ly/2WFdKTS #FutureReady



November's Brown vs. Board Challenge: Serving Homeless Students

Can you recognize a student experiencing homelessness? For the 2016-17 school year, there were more than 1.3 million homeless students enrolled in public K-12 schools—a 7 percent increase over the past three years. Preliminary data for 2017-18 estimates there were more than 1.5 million homeless children and youth, the highest number on record.

According to SchoolHouse Connection, a national non-profit organization working to overcome homelessness through education, homelessness creates barriers to education access and success, including "being unable to meet enrollment requirements; high mobility resulting in lack of continuity and absenteeism; lack of transportation; lack of supplies and clothing; poor health, fatigue, and hunger; and emotional crisis/mental health issues."

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Click to Tweet: Homelessness creates barriers to education access and success among students who experience it. Nationwide, only 64% of homeless students graduate from high school.
 @All4Ed's #OurChallengeOurHope campaign is elevating the needs of homeless students at https://all4ed.org/novembers-brown-vs-board-challenge-serving-homeless-students/



Deeper Learning Digest: Expanding Deeper Learning Opportunities to More Historically Underserved Students

What makes deeper learning schools so successful and how are networks scaling their efforts to bring deeper learning opportunities to more historically underserved students?

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Coming Soon

Dishing Up Some Digital Citizenship



Digital citizenship is so much more than internet safety. Tune in to this Future Ready Librarians® webinar to hear how librarians and students are "turning the page" on the old digital citizenship conversation and tackling questions including:

- 1. What skills do digital citizens need to be successful?
- 2. How can librarians be champions of this work?
- 3. What digital citizenship successes can you celebrate?
- 4. What does an empowered digital citizen look like?

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Don't Miss the Reaching At Promise Students Association Forum!



Join All4Ed's Phillip Lovell and Winsome Waite at the Alternative Accountability Policy Forum for professional development offerings focused on serving at-promise students. This November 13-15 conference in San Diego offers 24 concurrent sessions and a private screening of The Pushouts and a conversation with the film's producer, Dawn Valadez. Session strands include:

- Implementing Effective Alternative Accountability Policies and Data
- Workforce, Community and Post-Secondary Partnerships to Support Reengagement
- Teaching and Learning Strategies for At-Promise Students
- Serving the Whole Student: Addressing Trauma and Social Emotional Learning

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Think Differently About Professional Learning Creating High-Quality Personalized Professional Learning that Works



Future Ready school leaders model effective professional learning by offering choice and voice when leading teachers; they also empower teachers to lead throughout the process. In this Future Ready Schools® webinar, Dr. Montra Rogers and Dr. Joe Sanfelippo team up to discuss the trials and triumphs of transforming stale, sit-and-get professional development into uniquely personalized and appropriate professional learning opportunities for educators, regardless of the role they hold in their districts.

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In Case You Missed It



Why Now? Why Us? The Case for an Inclusive Vision of 21st Century Learning

During this event hosted by All4Ed and NCLD, panelists described the urgency behind including students with disabilities in the vision of 21st century learning and what each of us—policy makers, practitioners, families, communities, and students—can do to make this a reality. It featured **Dr. Linda Darling-Hammond**, president of the California State Board of Education, **Deborah Delisle**, president and CEO of All4Ed, **Kimberly Eckert**, the 2018 Louisiana Teacher of the Year, Lindsay Jones, the president and CEO of NCLD, **Savannah Trevino-Casias**, a student at Arizona State University, and **Ace Parsi**, the director of innovation at NCLD.

Watch Now





Congress Puts Higher Education on the Fast Track

Congress is working to reform the higher education system. We'll review its approach in today's Federal Flash and share troubling news from recent national tests.

Watch the Federal Flash

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To keep you up to date on the latest happenings and implementation of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V), All4Ed has created a series of bite-sized materials – both print and video – that provide concise but comprehensive analyses of several key areas within ESSA and Perkins V.

Access ESSA Materials

Access Perkins V Materials

Looking for meeting space? Want to broadcast your own webinar?

Visit <u>all4ed.org/studio/</u> to learn how you can rent All4Ed's conference space or studio to host your organization's next event.





All4Ed in the News

Latest Round of ACT Scores Cause College Readiness Concerns

"We need to keep our eyes on the prize," said All4Ed's Phillip Lovell on the latest round of ACT scores in *Education Week*. "We need to do better in preparing all kids for college."

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Foster Youth Data Still a Blank Space in State Report Cards

When it comes to reporting school achievement data for foster youth, "the state can't do it alone," said All4Ed's Anne Hyslop in *The 74*. "The district ultimately is the one that is interacting with students and is gathering the data. They both have a role to play."

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The Advocate

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ICYMI: the Nats scored a lot of runs yesterday. But so did @SenatorHassan @SenToddYoung for introducing the bipartisan #FastTrackAct, says @All4Ed CEO @DebDelisle. It rethinks 12th grade, expands #highered opportunity, & lowers college costs. More here: all4ed.org/press/all4ed-p

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