




Partnership Update
School Board U-46 Presentation
March 19, 2018

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Four Strategies Emerging Based on Internal SWOT Analysis:

Strategy 1: Continue to build relationships between the Alignment Collaborative for Education, U-46 and the community to maximize collaborative opportunities and to strengthen the partnership relationship. **(Focus - awareness and building trust)**

Strategy 2: Strengthen the capacity of the A-teams by expansion, diversification and better utilization of the tactical planning process to design and deliver solutions. **(Focus – clear definition of roles and responsibilities, establishment of benchmarks, success indicators and implementation timeline)**

Strategy 3: Build awareness for ACE and greater engagement from the community by utilizing web and social media resources. **(Focus – promote ACE across all U-46 communities communicating opportunities for engagement)**

Strategy 4: Establish a donor development and retention system to secure the necessary operating funds to sustain ACE's work in the U-46 Community. **(Focus – expanding involvement to all 11 communities)**



A-Team Progress Career Pathways

- Transformation of EXPO to dedicated 8th grade career exploration event serving over 2800 students as compared to less than 700 in 2017.
- Engagement of parents in preparing students for EXPLORE 2018 by inviting them to information sessions in each middle school prior to the event.
- Recruitment of business and community exhibitors across 11 communities representing all industry clusters.
- Utilization of career interest assessments via Naviance prior to Explore 2018.



A-Team Progress Early Education

Opportunity to launch a community-wide awareness campaign promoting early education from birth to age 4 improving Kindergarten readiness.

Community Partners

Boys and Girls Club of Elgin
Elgin Community College
Elgin Partnership for Early Learning
Gail Borden Library
Grand Victoria Foundation
Two Rivers Head Start
School District U-46
United Way of Elgin
YMCA
YWCA



A-Team Progress Trauma Informed Care

Hosted three Professional Learning Communities (PLC) with community partners.

Planning for the addition of eight resiliency teams by Fall 2018 including training for 100 teachers and community partners in June.

Community Partners

Advocate Sherman Hospital

Family Service Association of Greater Elgin

Fox Valley Hands of Hope

Gail Borden Library

Hanover Township Youth and Family Services

Kane County Health Department

Presence St. Joseph Hospital

Streamwood Behavioral Health Care System



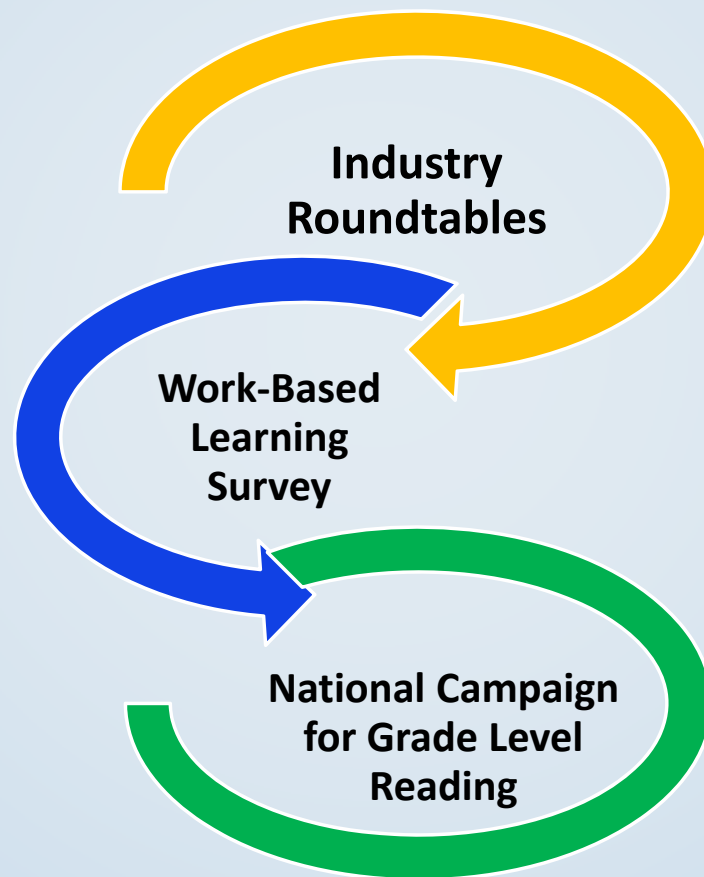
Commitment to Strengthening Communications District-Wide

Based on your recommendations in December:

- Developed video highlighting Alignment's role in workforce development
- Provided Alignment updates to:
 - African American and Hispanics Parent Leadership Group
 - Citizens Advisory Council
 - Elgin Development Group
 - Gail Borden Library
 - Rotary Club of Elgin
 - Village of Bartlett
- Launching new website by March 31st
- Introducing monthly newsletters beginning in April
- Publishing 2017-18 Annual Report in June



New Initiatives 2018





The Campaign for
**GRADE-LEVEL
READING**

Letter of Intent



Industry Roundtables

Manufacturing

- Held March 14, 2018

Healthcare

- Scheduled for June 2018

Financial Services & IT

- Tentatively planned for late August

Work Based Learning (WBL) Opportunities

In partnership with the Elgin Area Chamber and School District U-46, Alignment will interview employers as part of a pilot to determine their interest in offering WBL opportunities for high schools students.

Examples include:

Classroom Visits

Industry Tours

Job Shadowing

Internships

Apprenticeships





Partnership Update Q&A

