

# Postsecondary Access and Success for Rural Students

## Webinar

November 10, 2010

2:30 p.m. EST

## Draft Agenda

2:30–2:35 p.m.

### Welcome and Introductions

- Overview of the Regional Education Laboratories Program and the goals of the webinar and introduction of the two keynote speakers

2:35–3:05 p.m.

### Relevant Research from the Rural Context: Recent Research from the National Research Center on Rural Education Support

- **Keynote Presenter:** Judith Meece, Ph.D.
- Dr. Meece will discuss her work with the National Resource Center on Rural Education Support that connects to the issue of access to higher education for rural students.

3:05–3:30 p.m.

### Framing the Conversation: Research-Based Recommendations from the IES Practice Guide

- **Keynote Presenter:** William Tierney, Ph.D.
- Dr. Tierney will present the recommendations from the IES Practice Guide *Helping Students Navigate the Path to College: What High Schools Can Do*.

3:30–4:00 p.m.

### Panel Reactions to the Research

- **Panelists: To be determined**
- A panel of three rural practitioners will discuss the implications of the research presented for rural schools and districts. Each member will react to the presentation for approximately 10 minutes.
- The panel will include practitioners from diverse regions and from various practitioner roles, such as a counselor from a rural district in the Midwest, a district leader from a rural district in the Southeast, and a college access program coordinator from a rural college in the Northwest.

**4:00–4:30 p.m.**

**Moderated Questions for the Presenters and Panelists**

- Participants may submit questions before and during the webinar in written form. After the presentations and panel discussion, the moderator will field the questions received during the session, facilitate a question-and-answer period, and then conclude the webinar.
- At the conclusion of the webinar, participants will be polled about their interest in and preferences for continuing the conversation.