

**From Pre-Kindergarten to College and Careers: Aligning Education Systems
to Ensure Student Success in the Pacific**
July 26-27, 2016
Honolulu, HI

Objectives:

- 1. Brainstorm with and learn from Pacific colleagues to better support college and career readiness and success.**
- 2. Explore ways to deepen the alignment between K-12 and higher education systems in each jurisdiction.**
- 3. Engage in activities designed to prioritize system alignment strategies and guide action planning for improvement.**

Agenda for Day 1
Tuesday, July 26

7:30–8:30 AM
Ilima room

Breakfast and Conversation

8:30–9:00 AM
Carnation Room

Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Phillip Herman and Dr. Robin Jarvis, REL Pacific
Minister Sinton Soalablai, Chair, REL Pacific Governing Board

- Opening blessing
- Review meeting structure, agenda and logistics

9:00–9:45 AM
Carnation Room

Purpose and Goals for the Convening

Dr. Phillip Herman and Spencer Scanlan

- What have we accomplished together so far? (Brief discussion of REL Pacific priority topics and relevant research studies)
- What can we work on together going forward to make a sustainable difference in education in the region?

9:45–10:45 AM
Carnation Room

Applying Strategies for Improvement in the CNMI

Dr. Rita Sablan, Commissioner, CNMI Public School System

Dean Leo Pangelinan, Northern Marianas College

Dr. Phillip Herman

- This presentation will feature efforts in the CNMI to better support students by aligning the K-12 and higher education systems. The presentation will also focus on CNMI's recent participation in the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching's Summit on Improvement in Education.

10:45–11:00 AM

Break

11:00–11:30 AM

Carnation Room

College and Career Readiness Discussion Group

Dr. Phillip Herman

- What are your top issues or concerns around K-12/college alignment and student success?
- What programs and policies are currently in place to help students transition from high school to college in your jurisdiction?
- What work can we do together to prepare students to be successful in college in the Pacific region?
- Handout: Personal Packet

11:30 AM–12:30 PM

Ilima room

Lunch

12:30–2:00 PM

Carnation Room

Presentation and Panel Discussion: P–20 Alignment in Hawai‘i and Guam

Dr. Jean Osumi and Dr. Dan Doerger, Hawai‘i P-20 Partnerships for Education

Dr. Robert A. Underwood, University of Guam

Dr. Mary A.Y. Okada, Guam Community College

Dr. Zenaida Natividad, Research, Planning and Evaluation Division Administrator, Guam Department of Education

Discussant: Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, President Palau Community College

- Presentation on Hawai‘i P–20’s Data eXchange Partnership: What is the system, how was it developed, and how are stakeholders using it for improvement?
- Presentation on Hawai‘i P–20 Core to College Program: What are high schools and colleges in Hawai‘i doing to support college and career readiness and success?
- Presentation on K–12 and college collaboration efforts in Guam (Guam Department of Education, Guam Community College, and University of Guam): What systems are being developed and what is the definition of success for each institution?
- Discussion and Q&A

K-12 and College Leaders: Presentations on K-12 and College Alignment

For the remainder of Day 1, each jurisdiction will be asked to deliver a joint presentation, addressing the following questions: How do the K–12 and college systems in your jurisdiction work together to support the transition for students from K–12 to college? What else might be done to support students? How do K–12 and college systems work together to prepare and develop teachers?

2:00–2:30 PM Carnation Room	Joint Presentation (American Samoa) Saouila Kava, American Samoa DOE Sonny Leomiti, Director of Institutional Effectiveness/Accreditation Liaison Officer, American Samoa Community College
2:30–3:00 PM Carnation Room	Joint Presentation (Palau) Palau Minister of Education Sinton Soalablai Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, President, Palau Community College
3:00–3:30 PM Carnation Room	Joint Presentation (Republic of the Marshall Islands) Minister of Education Wilbur Heine Public School System National Board of Education Chairman Terry Hazzard RMI President Theresa Koroivulaono
3:30–3:45 PM	Break
3:45–4:15 PM Carnation Room	Joint Presentation (FSM) National Secretary of Education Kalwin Kephas Kosrae DOE Director Tulensru Waguk Pohnpei DOE Acting Director Destry Tom Yap DOE Delegate Dominic Fanasog Chuuk DOE Delegate Graceful Enlet Karen Simion, Vice President for Instructional Affairs, College of Micronesia
4:15–4:40 PM Carnation Room	Group Reflection Activity Dr. Phillip Herman
4:40–5:00 PM Carnation Room	Closing Kalwin Kephas, FSM National Secretary of Education
5:00–6:30 PM Ilima Room	Reception hosted by McREL International and Pacific Resources for Education and Learning

Agenda for Day 2
Wednesday, July 27

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| 7:30–8:30 AM
Ilima room | Breakfast and Conversation |
| 8:30–9:00 AM
Carnation Room | Reflection on previous day
Dr. Phillip Herman and Dr. Jeff Wayman <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collaborative activity: One insight from yesterday’s conversation is: |
| 9:00–9:45 AM
Carnation Room | Nationally Used Approaches for College Readiness
Dr. Phillip Herman <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Share examples of approaches including vertical alignment, early testing, dual enrollment, transition courses and the redesign of developmental education• Handout: Nationally Used Approaches |
| 9:45–10:45 AM
Carnation Room | Role-Alike Group Discussion
Dr. Phillip Herman <ul style="list-style-type: none">• College leaders and REL Pacific Governing Board members will debrief in role-alike breakout groups, share takeaways and suggestions, and plan next steps for their jurisdictions.• Handout: Getting Concrete |
| 10:45–11:00 AM | Break |
| 11:00 AM–12:30 PM | Role-Alike Group Discussion, Continued <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each role-alike group will discuss ideas for collaboration across the Pacific region. |
| 12:30–1:30 PM
Ilima Room | Lunch |
| 1:30–2:30 PM
Carnation Room | Discussion of How to Align K-12 and Higher Education
Dr. Phillip Herman |
| 2:30–2:45 PM | Break |
| 2:45–3:45 PM
Carnation Room | Meetings by Jurisdiction
Facilitated by REL Pacific and Pacific Resources for Education and Learning (PREL) staff <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Representatives from each jurisdiction will meet to plan for next steps |

3:45–4:00 PM
Carnation Room

Closing and Survey
Dr. Phillip Herman