



**REL-Pacific Presents: Dropout Prevention Strategies  
Experts Bringing Evidence to Practitioners (EEP) Event  
Honolulu (and via Elluminate), September 2, 2009**

<b>REL-Pacific Presents: Dropout Prevention Strategies</b>	
12:00-12:30 pm	Welcome participants and 'Roll-call' (summary of who is at each jurisdiction - # of attendees and job roles only)
12:30-12:40 pm	Purpose of webinar, introduction of presenters - Dr. Roger Chesswas, Director of REL-P <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Dropout Prevention Expert - Dr. Russ Rumberger</li> <li>▪ WWC Staff</li> </ul>
12:40-1:00 pm	IES Practice Guides-Growing the Market for Good Research in Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ WWC Staff</li> </ul>
1:00-1:30 pm	Dropout Prevention: Practice Guide - Dr. Russ Rumberger <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research and evidence contained in practice guide</li> <li>• Briefly review/explain/offer examples for each of the six recommendations:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Utilize data systems</li> <li>2. Assign adult advocates</li> <li>3. Provide academic support</li> <li>4. Implement programs to improve student behavior</li> <li>5. Personalize the learning environment</li> <li>6. Provide rigorous and relevant instruction</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
1:30- 4:00 pm	Local Breakout Sessions - Dr. Rumberger /Local Facilitators In this part of the agenda, the presenter will briefly re-introduce one of the 6 recommendations and ask each local jurisdiction to: a) discuss how that recommendation applies to their jurisdiction and b) post any questions they might have (via the Elluminate whiteboard) for the presenter to address when the time for that breakout session (15 mins.) is completed. The presenter will spend about 10 mins. addressing some of the posted questions before moving on the next recommendation. (The webinar facilitator in Honolulu will determine the questions the presenter should address from perusing all of the questions coming in on the whiteboard.) So the routine will be: 15 mins. for local discussion/question generation and then 10 mins. for the presenter to address some of the questions from across the region. This will continue until the 6 recommendations have all been discussed locally and questions addressed by the presenter. This breaks down into 90 minutes of local discussion (15 mins. * 6 recs.) and 60 minutes of presenter response (10 mins. * 6 recs.).
4:00-4:30 pm	Summary and Possible Next Steps - Dr. Chesswas, REL Director In this part of session, Dr. Chesswas will summarize what he heard from the region (cultural context of the issue, possible challenges to be encountered in the region) and offer some ideas as to next steps that would be appropriate. The REL Director will discuss possible next steps for the REL on addressing dropout prevention in the region (e.g., needs sensing, data collection systems and early warning tools).

*Times listed are Hawai'i Standard Time (3 hours ahead of PST).*