Agenda

REGISTRATION, COFFEE & LIGHT BREAKFAST
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM
Catered by Panera

GREETINGS – PHIL VANFOSSEN
9:00 AM – 9:05 AM

WELCOME & REMARKS – JAY AKRIDGE
9:05 AM – 9:15 AM

KEYNOTE SPEAKER BEN WINCHESTER WITH Q & A
9:15 AM – 11:30 AM
PRESENTATION: Rewriting the Rural Narrative
It seems the rural story has already been told. Small towns keep getting smaller. Churches, schools, clinics, businesses, and now post offices, have closed their doors as the lucky few migrate out to the big cities. This deficit framework dominates how we discuss and envision our rural communities. However, the story of rural America since 1970 is rich and diverse, with positive trends occurring under the radar. Learn how positive changes around migration, community involvement, economic development, and regional living have diversified this landscape that require us to rewrite the narrative of rural community change

FACILITATED FEEDBACK – JENN BARCE
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM
What do rural schools need most?

LUNCH
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM
Catered by Juniper Spoon

Purdue Connections and Resources

GIFTED AND TALENTED – KRISTEN SEWARD
1:00 PM – 1:40 PM
Agenda — Continued

ENGLISH LEARNERS – ANNE GARCIA
1:45 PM – 2:20 PM

BREAK
2:20 PM – 2:30 PM

FAST START – QUINCI MILLER
2:30 PM – 3:10 PM

GROW-YOUR-OWN TEACHER PIPELINE – KATHY OBENCHAIN
3:10 PM – 3:40 PM

CLOSING REMARKS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT – JENN BARCE
3:40 PM – 3:45 PM