



NEW ENGLAND
SECONDARY SCHOOL
CONSORTIUM

HIGH SCHOOL REDESIGN IN ACTION

MARCH 22-23, 2012 NORWOOD, MA

NESSC Vision

Vision

The New England Secondary School Consortium envisions every adolescent in Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont graduating from a new generation of **high-performing, internationally competitive high schools prepared for success in the colleges, careers, and communities of our interconnected global society.**

NESSC Goals

1. Increase five year graduation rates across each of the five states.
2. Decrease annual dropout rates across each of the five states.
3. Increase the percentage of students enrolling in two- and four-year college-degree programs or pursuing industry-certified accredited postsecondary certificates.
4. Increase the percentage of students who graduate from high school college ready.

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State of the States: From vision to results

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Friday

AGENDA

7:00 AM	Continental Breakfast
8:15 AM	Panel Discussion with John White and SEA Leaders
9:15 AM	Concurrent Sessions - Round 2
10:30 AM	Break
10:45 AM	Concurrent Sessions - Round 3
12 PM	Lunch
12:45 PM	Concurrent Sessions - Round 3
2:15 PM	Closure