



# Welcome!

## **Minnesota's Supporting Youth Success Initiative**

Joint Meeting of the Leadership Team and Advisory Committee  
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# Supporting Youth Success:

## The Promise of Expanded Learning Opportunities

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# A New Day for Learning

## Elements of a New Learning System:

- Expand the definition of student success
- Use research-based knowledge about how young people learn best
- Foster collaboration across all sectors
- Integrate various learning approaches and places
- Provide new opportunities for leadership and professional development



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## Initiative Goal:

To develop a road map that outlines strategies and a set of action steps that will lead toward the development of a comprehensive learning system in Minnesota. The road map will address policies, resources and best practices in formal and non-formal learning and education systems.



# Continuum of Learning

- Informal learning
- Non-formal learning
- Formal learning



# Whose Who in MN's Supporting Youth Success Initiative

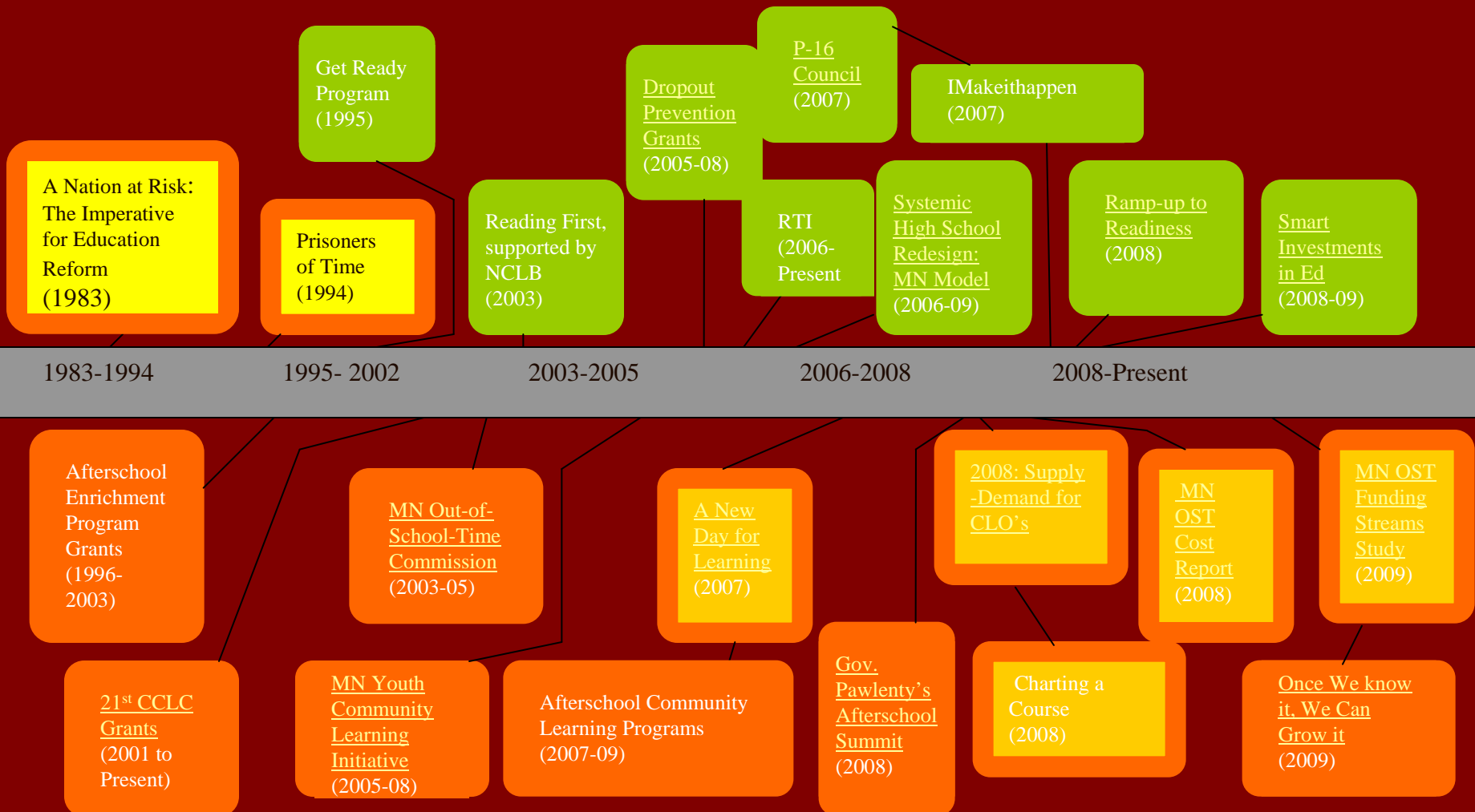
- Project Manager
- Planning Team
- Advisory Committee
- Leadership Team
- Project Facilitator



# Overview of the Day

- Historical Context
- Review the Vision, Goals and Operating Assumptions
- Small group discussions
- Break for lunch
- Small group discussions
- Wrap up/Next Steps

# Timeline (Abridged)





# Video: Chicago Afterschool Matters



# Vision

By age 21, Minnesota's young people will be ready for the responsibilities and rewards of economic self sufficiency; healthy family and social relationships; community involvement and life long learning.

*Adapted from Michelle Gambone*

# Goals

## **Overarching Goal:**

To create a comprehensive learning system, characterized by a full continuum of learning opportunities that prepare youth for success in life.

## **Initiative Goal:**

To develop a road map that outlines strategies and a set of action steps that will lead toward the development of a comprehensive learning system in Minnesota. The road map will address policies, resources and best practices in formal and non-formal learning and education systems.



# Operating Assumptions

1. “Youth” instead of “Student”
2. Framework stems from Minnesota’s rich history and commitment to YD
3. Youth, Ages 5-21
4. Youth Voice and Inclusion and Rights
5. Primary Audience:  
Policymakers  
Secondary Audience:  
Leaders in Formal Ed and Non-Formal Learning
6. Learning occurs on a continuum, everyday, all day.
7. Terms:  
Informal Learning  
Non-Formal Learning  
Formal Education
8. This framework will not focus on INFORMAL learning
9. Use existing high quality learning opportunities to illustrate elements of the framework

# Small group discussions

- Discussion #1: Reactions to Vision, Goals and Operating Assumptions
  - What about the vision, goals and operating assumptions most excites you?
  - What about the vision, goals and operating assumptions are you most skeptical?
- Discussion #2: Finding Agreement with the Operating Assumptions

# Small group discussions

- Discussion #1: Vision for Minnesota's Youth
  - What would this look like or mean in my day to day community life?
  - What would this look like or mean in my professional life?
- Discussion #2: Identify the contextual challenges and opportunities for this initiative.
- Discussion #3: What skills and expertise do you bring to this work?

# Next Steps

- Develop outline for road map
- Next Meeting Dates
  - February 19, 2020
  - June 4, 2010
  - October 20, 2010
- Call on advisory committee and leadership team representatives as need

**Thanks and Safe Travels!**