



Parent & Family Engagement Summit

Agenda



Morning Agenda

Continental Breakfast	8:00 AM
Registration	8:30 – 10:00 AM
Opening Session	9:30 – 11:30 AM (room 152A/B)
Welcome and Opening Remarks	Sandra Schlicker, Ph.D. Deputy Superintendent
Overview of the State Education Plan	Kayleen Irizarry, Ph.D.
Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Eric Rosser, Ph.D.
Keynote Speaker	Alvin Thornton, Ph.D.
Key Elements of the State Education Plan	Jeff Noel
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accountability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – School Classifications – Report Cards • Interventions & Supports 	Khalid Randolph, Ed.D.
Parent Panel	Valrie Brown, Ed.D. (Moderator) Yaiza Burrell Terry Goings Vincent Short Lolita Ball Leticia Barnes Long Alicia Rucker Karlene Thomas Kim Harrison

PICK UP BOX LUNCHES AND MOVE TO NEXT SESSION
(11:30 am)

Breakout Sessions

Session/Presenter	Room	Time
What Parents Can Do To Support Learning Eric Hurley	RM 152 A/B	12, 1PM
NO BULLY ZONE (Providing a Bully Free Environment) Rev Patricia Saunders	RM 154 A	12, 1PM
Rights and Supports for Homeless Students Sheryl Hamilton, OSSE	RM 154 B	12PM
Importance of Out of School Programs Valrie Brown, OSSE	RM 154 B	1PM
Preparing DC's Students to be College & Career Ready Heidi Beeman, OSSE	RM 149 A	12, 1PM
Environmental Literacy and STEM: Encouraging Children to Explore the Outdoors Grace Manubay	RM 149 B	12, 1PM
Your Voice: Share Strategies/Ask Questions Video Recording Booth	RM 156	12PM
Supporting Students with Special Needs Desiree Brown, OSSE	RM 156	1PM
Accessing Financial Aid for Higher Education Ken Howard/Fred Stennis/Laurent Ross	RM 159 A/B	12, 1PM
Accessing Early Childhood Education Christophe Beard	RM 158 A/B	12PM
Understanding Why Engaged Fathers are Critical to Children's Success Christophe Beard	RM 158 A/B	1PM
Accountability System/"How Schools are Classified" Jeffrey Noel	RM 153	12, 1PM

Information Booths were available from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with information on Safe Schools, Special Education, Afterschool programs, Common Core Standards, Early Childhood Education, Libraries and more.

Attendance at a Glance

Type	Number
Parents/Guardians attendees	201
Children	77*
Friendship Public Charter School Volunteers	15
OSSE Staff Volunteers/Presenters	36
Non-OSSE Volunteers	4
Exhibition Booths staff	31
External Presenters	8
TOTAL	372

*37 children ages 10 to 14 participated in the Children Activity Room

Plenary Session



Almost 400 people attended OSSE's Parent Summit

Plenary Session



Great Information was given regarding the State's Education Plan

Plenary Session



Dr. Alvin Thornton, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs at Howard University, rocked the house!

Parent Panel



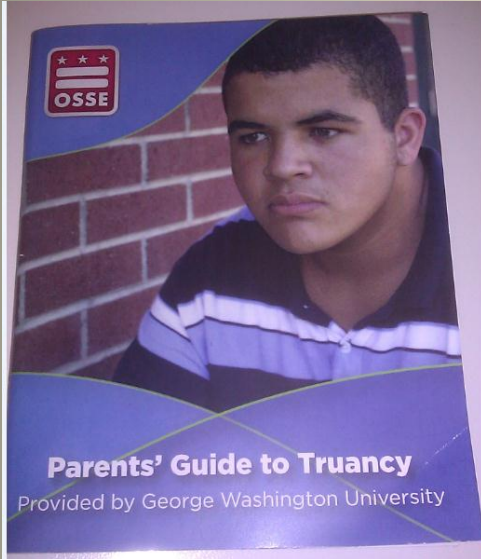
Lots of “Amens” were given to the parents – It felt like church!

Parent Summit Volunteers



Parents, students and OSSE staff volunteered and helped to make the event a success.

Education Goody Bags



Great information and supplies were given to participants!

Exhibitor Hall



Overall, the Summit was a Success!

Positive Feedback on Twitter



- The family and parents education summit that @OSSEDC had today had great informative education #edu
- So many parents learning tons about education at #ossesummit. Props to @OSSEDC from @dcpcsb
- @OSSEDC great accountability lesson from data guru Jeff Noel. Interested to see how accountability changes will impact achievement gap
- More tips from @OSSEDC #parent summit: on creating edu partnership; Approach relationship w/respect; recall how you like teachers #dcsboe.
- Learned some key info from Mrs Irizarry @OSSEDC Parent & Family Summit

Verbal and Written Comments



- “I had no idea how many resources were available for college.”
- “ I am going right back to my school to tell them they must enroll homeless children immediately. My children and others have been waiting while we tried to get required documents.”
- “I get what’s being said. I may not agree with choices people make in their lives but I don’t support bullying and everyone has the right to make decisions about life without being bullied. Kids need to know that.”
- “I am going back to my school to find out what interventions are happening and what parent involvement is being implemented.”
- *“...the OSSE family members rose to the occasion when they shared their various responsibilities/ roles, upcoming plans, introduced in-house/delivery of services and funding priorities...*”*
- “... parents loved the book-bags and workshops with specific topics about information and challenges that many parents needed help and/or a much deeper understanding...*”

Parent Recommendations



- The Parent and Family Summit should occur at least annually.
- The relationship/connection between OSSE and LEAs (both DCPS and charter schools) needs to be clarified.
- There needs to be more opportunities for parent and family engagement on an ongoing basis and in different ways - technology is not always the answer.
- Parents want accountability to make sure schools recognize the importance of involving parents in the implementation of the State Education Plan.

Let's Do It Again Next Year!

