

CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Commissioner's Roundtable for Family and Community Engagement in Education

**Dr. Miguel A. Cardona
Commissioner of Education**

**January 23, 2020
9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Hartford Foundation for Public Giving
10 Columbus Boulevard, 7th Floor, Hartford**

Meeting Objectives:

- To welcome the group and revisit group engagement norms
- To provide information on emergent issues in education in CT
- To provide content regarding pathways to affordable post-secondary education
- To engage in dialogue regarding critical questions about pathways to affordable post-secondary education

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Emergent Critical Issues in Education
3. Pathways to Affordable Post-Secondary Education

Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority (CHESLA) Scholarships
Guest Speakers: Jeannette Weldon, Executive Director, Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority (CHEFA), Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority (CHELSA) and Connecticut Student Loan Foundation (CSLF); and Joshua Hurlock, Assistant Director, CHELSA

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
Guest Speaker: Ajit Gopalakrishnan, Chief Performance Officer, Connecticut State Department of Education

4. Roundtable Discussion
5. Next Meeting Date for 2019-2020
May 14, 2020, 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Location to be determined.
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