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Class XXVIII  
Education Session  
December 1-3, 2020  
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[International Civil Rights Center and Museum Virtual Tour](#)

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**Session Goals**

1. Provide a robust overview of the full continuum of education in North Carolina and explore emerging trends.
2. Demonstrate how each stage of the continuum connects to and impacts the others.
3. Identify some of the thorniest issues facing education in North Carolina in 2020 and explore solutions.
4. Foster opportunities for discussion, interaction, and experiential learning for LNC participants.
5. Explore how education connects to government, health and human services, economic development, and the environment in North Carolina and highlight opportunities for engagement.

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Each planning committee for the Class XXVIII program year is made up of members from LNC Class XXVII.

## Tuesday, December 1, 2020

[Optional Tour: International Civil Rights Center and Museum \(Virtual\)](#)

[Optional Reception \(Virtual\)](#)

2:25 – 2:30 pm	<a href="#">Log into Zoom Waiting Room for Virtual Tour</a>	
2:30 – 4:30 pm	International Civil Rights Center and Museum Virtual Tour and Reflections (Optional) <a href="#">Advance RSVP Required</a>	Dillon Tyler <i>Tour Coordinator</i> <i>International Civil Rights Center and Museum</i>  Brenda Dalton James <i>Community Activist and Woolworth's Sit-In Participant</i>
4:30 – 5:00 pm	Break <a href="#">Grab your favorite beverage to enjoy during the reception.</a>	
4:55 – 5:00 pm	<a href="#">Log into Zoom Waiting Room for Virtual Reception</a>	
5:00 – 6:00 pm	Virtual Session Reception (Optional) <a href="#">Advance RSVP Required</a>	Chip Hagan <i>Partner</i> <i>Hagan Barrett PLLC</i> <i>Leadership North Carolina Founding Board Member</i>

## Wednesday, December 2, 2020

[Zoom link](#)

8:25 – 8:30 am	<a href="#">Log into Zoom Waiting Room for Wednesday Program</a>	
8:30 – 9:00 am	Setting the Stage	David Bohm, Program Chair <i>Director of Development</i> <i>Campbell Law School</i> <i>LNC Class XXVII Alumnus and Class XXVIII Program Chair</i>  Susan McCracken, Co-Chair <i>Director of Career Development and Economic Engagement</i> <i>Appalachian State University</i> <i>LNC Class XXVII Alumna and EDU Session Co-Chair</i>  Johnathan Shaw, Co-Chair <i>Senior Vice President – Business Development Group</i> <i>Wells Fargo Advisors</i> <i>LNC Class XXVII Alumnus and EDU Session Co-Chair</i>
9:00 – 10:00 am	Education in North Carolina 101	Brenda Berg <i>President and Chief Executive Officer</i> <i>BEST NC</i> <i>LNC Class XXII Alumna</i>
10:00 – 10:30 am	Morning Break <a href="#">Stay logged in, mute mic and camera.</a> <a href="#">Return at 10:25 am for bonus content.</a>	
10:30 – 10:45 am	Class Business	LNC Team

10:45 – 11:20 am	Is the Deck Stacked?	Jennifer Bell <i>Director of Educational Partnerships, North Carolina SAS</i> <i>LNC Class XXVI Alumna</i>
11:20 – 11:30 am	Break <a href="#">Stay logged in, mute mic and camera.</a>	
11:30 am – 12:20 pm	Early Childhood Education: Building the Foundation	Becki Planchard <i>Senior Early Childhood Policy Advisor</i> <i>NC Department of Health and Human Services</i> <i>LNC Class XXVII Alumna and EDU Planning Committee Member</i>
		Banu Valladares <i>Executive Director</i> <i>Charlotte Bilingual Preschool, Inc.</i>
12:20 – 1:20 pm	Lunch <a href="#">Stay logged in, mute mic and camera.</a> <a href="#">Return at 1:15 pm for bonus content.</a>	
1:20 – 2:50 pm	Voices of Educators	Geoff Coltrane <i>Senior Education Advisor</i> <i>Office of Gov. Roy Cooper</i>
		Sabrina Hill-Black <i>Principal</i> <i>D.C. Virgo Preparatory Academy</i>
		Julie Paige Pittman <i>Teacher, Rutherford County Schools</i> <i>2018 Western Region Teacher of the Year</i> <i>NC Education Outreach Manager, No Kid Hungry (Teacher on Loan for 2019-2020)</i>
		Dr. Debra Dowless <i>Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Pre-K to 5</i> <i>Hoke County Schools</i>
2:50 – 3:05 pm	Break <a href="#">Stay logged in, mute mic and camera.</a>	
3:05 – 3:50 pm	Leadership Profile	Dr. Dudley Flood <i>Retired School Administrator</i>
3:50 – 4:00 pm	Wrap-Up and Adjourn	LNC Team

## Thursday, December 3, 2020

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8:25 – 8:30 am [Log into Zoom Waiting Room for Thursday Program](#)

8:30 – 8:50 am Morning Reflections

David Bohm, Program Chair  
*Director of Development*  
*Campbell Law School*  
*LNC Class XXVII Alumnus and Class XXVIII Program Chair*

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8:50 – 9:50 am	Higher Education in NC	Dr. Bill Carver <i>Interim President North Carolina Community College System</i>
		Dr. Andrew Kelly <i>Senior Vice President for Strategy and Policy University of North Carolina System</i>
		Dr. A. Hope Williams <i>President North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities</i>
9:50 – 10:20 am	Morning Break <a href="#">Stay logged in, mute mic and camera.</a> <a href="#">Return at 10:15 am for bonus content.</a>	
10:20 – 11:00 am	Building Connections Breakouts	LNC Class XXVIII
11:00 – 11:30 am	The Importance of Postsecondary Educational Attainment: myFutureNC	Cecilia Holden <i>President and Chief Executive Officer myFutureNC LNC Class XXIII Alumna</i>
11:30 – 11:45 am	Grab-Your-Lunch Break <a href="#">Stay logged in, mute mic and camera.</a>	
11:45 am – 12:35 pm	NC A&T State University and the Impact of HBCUs	Dr. Beryl McEwen <i>Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs North Carolina A&amp;T State University</i>
	Lunch Conversations with Our Future Leaders	Donald Hartsfield III Kennedy Reid Carrington Rodgers Julian Woods <i>Students, North Carolina A&amp;T State University</i>
12:35 – 12:55 pm	Break <a href="#">Stay logged in, mute mic and camera.</a>	
12:55 – 1:00 pm	Building Connections	LNC Class XXVIII
1:00 – 1:50 pm	Educational Equity in NC: Connecting the Dots	Dr. Anthony Graham <i>Provost Winston-Salem State University</i>
1:50 – 2:00 pm	LNC Wrap-Up and Adjourn	LNC Team