



2018 National Thought Leader Event

Gallup Headquarters | 901 F Street, NW Washington, DC 2004

Monday, October 29th, 2018 | 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Agenda *(subject to change)*

- 8:00am - **Opening and Introduction of Host**
 - Ken Smith, President and CEO, Jobs for America's Graduates
- 8:10am - **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
 - The Honorable Eric Holcomb, Governor of Indiana
- 8:20am – **Keynote Address**
 - The Honorable Alexander Acosta, Secretary of the Department of Labor
- 8:55am – **Where are they? School and Choices after High School**
 - Dave Clayton, Senior Vice President, Consumer Insights, Strada Education Network
- 9:20am – **Designing Programs for Scaling Success**
 - Dr. James Dearing, Professor and Department Chair, Michigan State University
- 9:45am – **Remarks from The Hill**
 - The Honorable Don Beyer, US Congressman, (VA)
- 10:00am – **Goals for the Working Session**
 - Ken Smith, President and CEO, Jobs for America's Graduates
- 10:15am – **Panel #1: Best Practices for Scaling Effective Programs**
 - Moderator: Frank Woodbeck, Executive Director, Workforce Development, Nevada System of Higher Education
 - The Honorable Fred Payne, Commissioner for the Indiana Department of Workforce Development
 - Monica Tijerina, Director, Global Youth Program, McDonald's Corporation
 - Jamika Doakes, Senior Philanthropy Manager, AT&T
 - Rosanna Maietta, Senior Vice President of Communications & Public Relations, American Hotel and Lodging Association and President of American Hotel and Lodging Educational Foundation
- 11:00am - **Roundtable Working Session #1**
- **11:45am - Break**



- **12:00pm – Lunch**
 - Remarks provided by Governor Eric Holcomb
- **1:00pm – Panel #2: Growing the Youth Labor Market**
 - Moderator: Scott Sanders, Executive Director, National Association of State Workforce Agencies
 - Richard Wahlquist, President and CEO, American Staffing Association
 - Kerry H. Sullivan, President, Bank of America Foundation
 - Rob Gifford, Executive Vice President, National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation
- **1:45pm - Roundtable Working Session #2**
- **2:15pm - Report Out**
- **2:35pm - Review of Results and Next Steps – Development of Recommendations**
 - Ken Smith, President and CEO, Jobs for America’s Graduates
- **2:40pm – Adjournment**
 - The Honorable Eric Holcomb, Governor of Indiana