

AGENDA

WIOA

PARTNERS' MEETING

September 5-6, 2019
Embassy Suites
11301 Financial Centre Parkway
Little Rock, AR 72211



DAY 1

Thursday, September 5, 2019

9:00 a.m. Welcome

Kris Jones, Assistant Director
Arkansas Division of Workforce Services

**9:10 a.m. Arkansas State Government Transformation (Plenary)
Department of Commerce Secretary's Address**

Mike Preston, Secretary
Arkansas Department of Commerce

9:30 a.m. WIOA Roundtable Updates (Plenary)

WIOA Roundtable Executive Committee

Kris Jones, Assistant Director
Arkansas Division of Workforce Services – Employment Assistance Unit

Alan McClain, Commissioner
Arkansas Division of Workforce Services – Arkansas Rehabilitation Services

Bridget Criner, Associate Director
Arkansas Division of Workforce Services – Adult Education Services

Betsy Barnes, Financial Administrator
Division of State Services for the Blind

10:30 a.m. BREAK

10:45 a.m. Break Out Sessions

- Workforce Data (*Diplomat Room*)
Workforce Data Analytics

Dr. Nathan Smith
*Director of Research & State Broadband Manager
Arkansas Department of Commerce*

- Financial Management (*Envoy Room*)
WIOA Roles, Responsibilities & Firewalls

Tanya Plunkett, Director
Angela Cook, Program Manager
DWS Internal Audit & Financial Monitoring

- Program Participation/Case Management (*Consulate I & II Room*)
Diversity Training

Tony Brown
*Office of Personnel Management
Department of Transformation & Shared Services*

- Business Services (*Ambassador Ballroom*)

Thomas P. Miller Associates

11:45 A.M. BREAK

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12:00 p.m. Luncheon and Presentation (*Ambassador Ballroom*)

WIOA Local Plans Expectations

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1:15 p.m. Breakout Sessions

- Workforce Data (*Diplomat Room*)
Workforce Data Analytics

Dr. Nathan Smith
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- Partnership Collaboration (*Consulate I & II Room*)
AEDC Update

Steve Sparks, Director
Arkansas Economic Development Commission, Training Division

- Program Participation/Case Management (*Envoy Room*)
Customer-Centered Design
North Central LWDA Case Study

Dr. Claudia Griffin
WIOA Title I Policy Specialist
Arkansas Division of Workforce Services

- Business Services (*Ambassador Ballroom*)

Thomas P. Miller Associates

2:15 P.M. BREAK

2:30 p.m. Labor Market Information (Plenary)

Belinda Hodges, LMI Program Manager
Arkansas Division of Workforce Services

3:30 p.m. Highlight: Local Regional Collaborations (Plenary)

Southwest Arkansas Workforce Development Area

Barbara Hamilton, Director, SAU-Tech Adult Education
Tamara Bowers, WIOA Title I Out-of-School Youth
Joshua Taylor, Local Office Manager, Division of Workforce Services

4:15 p.m. Closing Remarks and Adjourn (Plenary)

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DAY 2

Friday, September 6, 2019

8:30 a.m. Welcome (Plenary)

Dr. Charisse Childers, Director
Arkansas Division of Workforce Services

8:45 a.m. SWOT Analysis Follow-up (Plenary)

Sarah Yager, Program Coordinator
Arkansas Division of Workforce Services – Adult Education Services

9:15 a.m. Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Program (Plenary)

Panelists

Eduardo Lemm, ADWS Targeted Populations Advisor

Maria Garcia, ADWS State Monitor Advocate

Elroy Willoughby, ADWS Operations Chief

Clevon Young, AR Human Development Corporation

9:45 a.m. BREAK

10:00 a.m. Registered Apprenticeship Expansion in Non-Traditional Industry Sectors Panel (Plenary)

Panelists

Melissa Johnston, First Orion

Becky Ives, Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control

Nick D'Antonio, Institute for American Apprenticeship, Lockheed Martin

Jonathan Bibb, Arkansas Career Training Institute

11:00 a.m. Arkansas Department of Commerce Communications Plan (Plenary)

Panelists

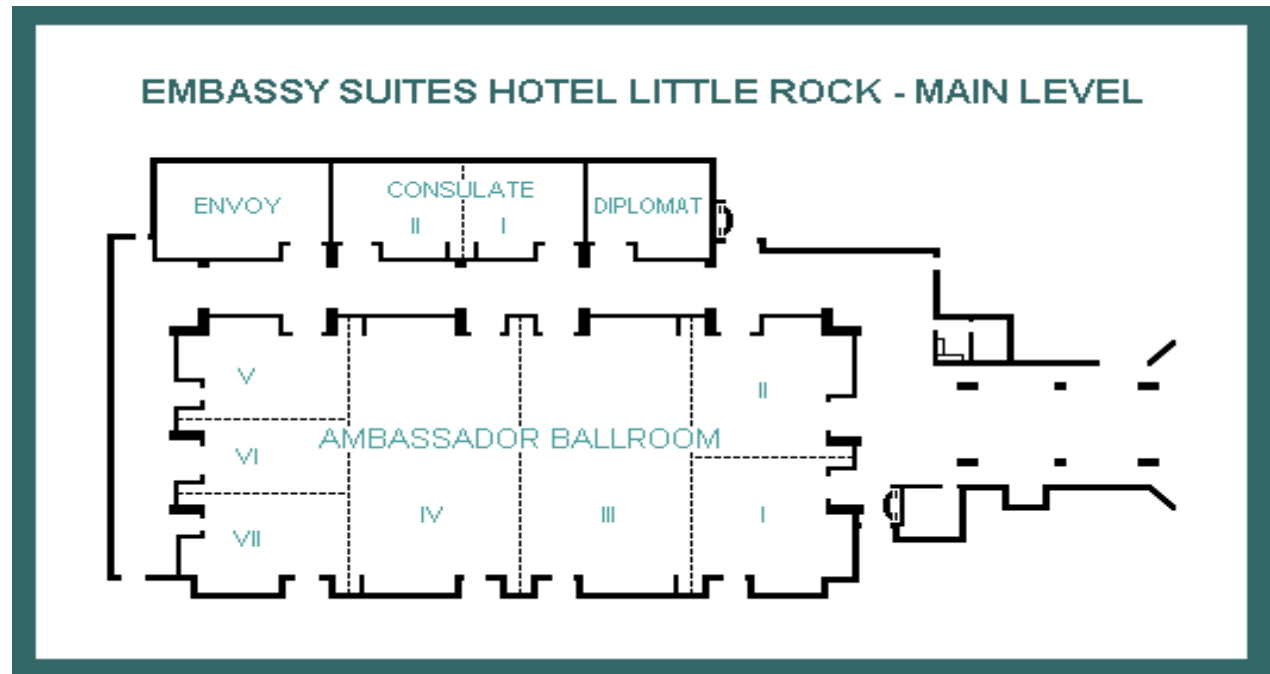
Alisha Curtis, Chief Communications & Legislative Director
Arkansas Department of Commerce

Zoë Calkins, Director of Communications
Arkansas Division of Workforce Services

Chip McAfee, Director of Communications
Arkansas Division of Workforce Services – Arkansas Rehabilitation Services

12:00 Noon Closing Remarks and Adjourn (Plenary)

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