## **Credentialed By 26 State Policy Roundtables**



## Florida Children and Youth Cabinet and Forum for Youth Investment Policy Roundtable

In conjunction with the Forum for Youth Investment's Ready by 21, Credentialed by 26 project, the Florida Children and Youth Cabinet will host a policy roundtable on January 9, 2011 in Tallahassee. Florida is one of three states invited to host a roundtable focused on student access and success in post secondary education. A white paper will be created from the outcomes of the policy roundtables in the three states and disseminated nationwide to other states for suggested best practices.

## Outcomes:

- State policy leaders will understand that state policies beyond those directly related to K-12 and the Higher Education System play a major role in student access and success in post-secondary education.
- State policy leaders will have a list of clear, actionable, policy steps they can take to improve postsecondary attainment in their state, particularly for low-income, first generation, and other vulnerable youth.
- State policy leaders will hear firsthand about some of the struggles faced by vulnerable college students
- State policy leaders will have a point of contact within state government and at a national non-profit
  organization who support holistic policies for post-secondary success and will assist them in taking
  action to implement those policies.

**Date**: January 9, 2011

Location: Tallahassee, FL

Attendees: To include a selection of representatives from the following groups (Approximate Total 10-25):

- Governor's Staff
- State Agency Senior Staff
- State Legislators
- Higher Education Governing Boards
- State Higher Education Executive Officer or Staff
- Current College Students
- Key Advocates or Funders

## **Agenda**: To include the following items:

- Introduction to Ready by 21, Credentialed by 26
- Introduction to Florida Children and Youth Cabinet
- Findings and Recommendations of the State Policy Scan
- Questions and Answers
- Student Testimony and Questions
- Discussion and Next Steps

