

**Student Leadership Summit 2010:  
Redesigning Our Schools for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century  
Agenda**

**Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010  
Plymouth State University, Plymouth NH**

- 8:00-8:45** Student Leadership Teams Arrive and Check-in
- *Meet and greet, sign-up for Breakout Sessions*
  - *Breakfast and live music from In the Summer, student band from John Stark High School*
- 9:00-10:00** Welcome Address and NH Student Leadership Showcase  
*Students from Raymond High School and Littleton High School  
with the help of Bill Preble and Molly Gosline*
- 10:10-10:55** Breakout Session I  
*Please see attached for Breakout Session Descriptions and location*
- 11:05-11:40** ABC's 20/20 segment: *Corey Johnson: High School Football Hero*  
*High school junior Corey Johnson was captain of his football team, an honor student, and popular. Corey was also gay. Anderson Cooper speaks with Corey and reports on his heroic story, how he found the courage to tell his teammates and classmates that he was gay, and what happened when he did.*
- 11:40-12:10** Lunch at PSU Dining Hall
- 12:10-12:25** Music by *In the Summer*  
In the main room upstairs, HUB, #101
- 12:25-12:30** Announcements for Breakout Session II
- 12:35-1:20** Breakout Session II  
*Please see below for Breakout Session Descriptions and location*
- 1:30-2:10** Action Planning  
Main room upstairs, HUB, #101
- 2:10-2:30** Wrap-Up  
(Please fill out an evaluation and receive a t-shirt!)

## *Redesigning Our Schools for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* Teen Summit Workshop Descriptions

### **1. On-Line Learning, Virtual Teaching, and Video Assessment**

*Oscar Wall from Retrieve Media*

*HUB, Room # 109*

What are the new on-line teaching and learning choices for students, teachers, and your school? Experience a set of on-line learning systems and platforms and let us know which ones you would prefer to use at your school. Help the designers from Retrieve Media by sharing your opinions and suggestions for improving these learning tools for use in schools across the country. Teachers can check out how these platforms can be used for professional development and to create on-line teaching opportunities for 21st century teachers.

### **2. That's So Gay: Taking the lead on improving your school climate for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students**

*Jeff Perrotti, the founding director of the Safe Schools Program for Gay and Lesbian Students at the Massachusetts*

*Department of Education*

*HUB, Room # 119*

*That's so gay* is commonly heard in schools, and many students are harassed because they are perceived to be gay or because they don't act like boys or girls are traditionally expected to act. This session will feature success stories of students who have spearheaded efforts to make their schools more supportive and welcoming for GLBT students and for other students who don't conform to conventional gender roles. Come ready to share your own challenges and successes related to this topic, and be prepared to leave inspired and equipped with strategies to be a leader on this issue in your school!

### **3. That's so NOT Boring!**

*Rick Gordon from the Compass School*

*Memorial Hall, Room # 103*

Boredom at school is one of the most common complaints of students, but schools don't have to be boring! Dissecting brains, designing communities, going outside to learn, saving the planet, and other tales of student engagement, service learning, and student learning choices will be described at this session. We will discuss how student leaders can respectfully and effectively raise the problem of 'boredom,' by offering these concrete engagement models as possibilities for school improvement.

### **4. The Bully Box**

*Molly Gosline from Main Street Academix*

*Memorial Hall, Room # 010*

It's NOT a box to put bullies in! It's a fully loaded, Student Leader's Bully Busting Tool Kit. In this session we will share a number of different activities, programs, resources that student and adult leaders can use to make a real difference in reducing bullying, encouraging bystanders to step up, and combating cyber-bullying in your school.

### **5. A Few Tips for Having an Amazing Life**

*Larry Taylor, Professor of Psychology, New England College*

*HUB, Room #101*

Everybody wants to be happy and feel good about life. In this session you will discover a few simple ways to make your life more enjoyable! Hear about the characteristics of happy people, how control and choice sometimes help and sometimes do not help one to be happier, and how a good but tough job can become a calling. This session may even help you gain some key skills to get through the day-to-day stresses of high school and actually enjoy it!

### **6. THE Wicked BIG PICTURE**

*William Preble, President of Main Street Academics and Professor of Education at New England College*

*HUB, Room #123*

Things are pretty much the same in schools in the first decade of the 21st century as they have been for some time! So what is so-called '21st Century Teaching and Learning' exactly, and how do we begin doing more of it? What is the NH Vision for School Redesign? What can we do in our school to start doing more "personalized and engaged learning" like the NH Vision says we should? And what are these new National School Climate Standards we hear are coming down from Washington DC? You will learn how your school can use these new strategies and make school a safe and respectful place for all students. Most importantly, what are some "PRACTICAL" school leadership tools and strategies that students, teachers, and school leaders can use to make this stuff happen, before another decade of the 21st Century passes us by? This is a great session for adults but, of course, students will be welcomed too! We will be sure to discuss how ELO's fit into this big picture.

### **7. Raymond High School Video Project**

*Raymond High School Students and Volunteers*

*HUB, Room #124*

If you have been selected from your school to participate in this video project, please present your permission slip at the breakout session sign-up. Please sign-up for this project at Breakout Session I or Breakout Session II.