THE BIG BLUR: ERASING THE BOUNDARIES
BETWEEN HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE, AND CAREERS
— AND CREATING ONE NEW SYSTEM THAT WORKS
FOR EVERYONE



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### JFF's Strategic Priorities

We design, scale, influence, and invest in solutions that . . .



Help People Advance



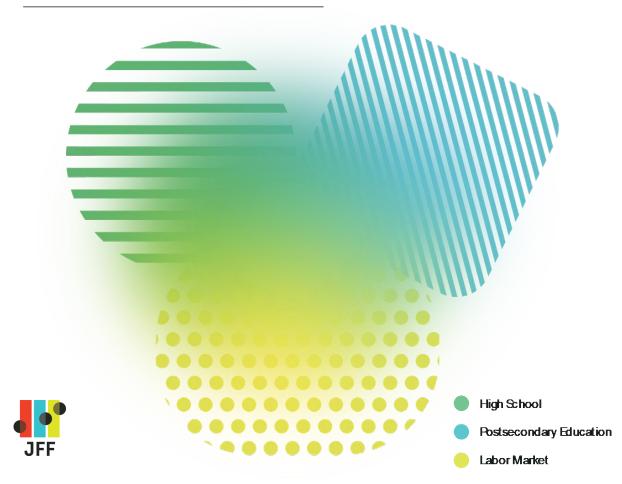
Build Inclusive Regional Economies



Redesign Education and Workforce Development Systems



### The Big Blur



FREE FOR STUDENTS

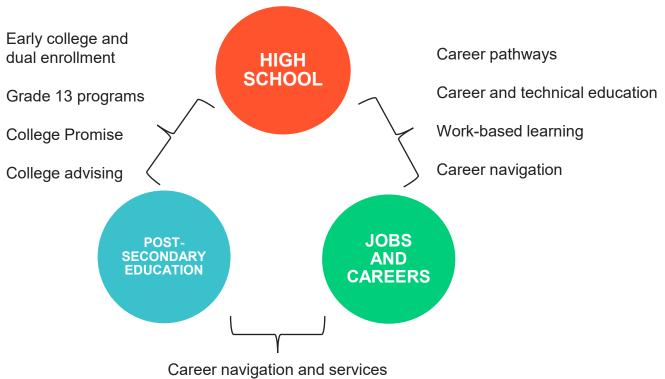
GUIDED PATHWAYS
MODEL

INTEGRATED WORK-BASED LEARNING EXPERIENCES

ACADEMIC AND CAREER NAVIGATION

WRAPAROUND SUPPORTS

# WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO IMPROVE TRANSITIONS FOR A LONG TIME







#### **INCENTIVES**

State accountability systems emphasize metrics of success for cohorts of students in grades 11-14

Pool funding streams for students in grades 11-14



### **ALIGNMENT**

11th graders enter
new institutional
structures
incorporating high
school and college
requirements
designed for career
preparation and
incorporating work
experience



### **GOVERNANCE**

A senior leader with decision making authority oversees, ensures funding for, and supports unified grades 11-14 institutional structures



#### **STAFFING**

Specially trained educators and leaders are equipped to teach, curate and organize learning and work experiences and support systems for students in grades 11-14.

# REAL-WORLD EXAMPLES INCENTIVES

## Mandatory Acceleration

In 2019 **Washington**passed a law requiring
districts to automatically
enroll eligible students in
the next most rigorous
course. Similar legislation is
under discussion or in the
pilot phase in Colorado,
Connecticut, and Illinois.

## Ready Graduate Indicator

Tennessee's Ready
Graduate data factor into
the state's early
postsecondary
opportunities (EPSO)
framework as an "indicator
of school quality and
student success" as part of
their Every Student
Succeeds Act (ESSA)
accountability plan.

# Financing a 13th Year of High School

Colorado has a grade 13 high school program that allows K-12 districts and community colleges to apply for funds that cover college tuition—the factor that often discourages schools from offering dual enrollment.

## Financing Students Directly

In Idaho, when students reach seventh grade, they receive a stipend of \$4,125 to use for education related expenses including college courses, AP tests, professional certifications, and career and technical education (CTE) courses.



WE NEED TO
BOLDLY REIMAGINE
PUBLIC
RESPONSIBILITY











### **THANK YOU!**



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