



## Northeast Ohio Business Advisory Council (BAC) Joint Statement February 21, 2019

**Vision:** To unite educational agencies, businesses, organizational groups, institutions of higher education, professional organizations and individuals who are committed to building a stronger Northeast Ohio.

**Mission:** The Northeast Ohio Business Advisory Council (BAC) is dedicated to providing opportunities where educators, students, business and community leaders can network, collaborate and partner together in creating programs and opportunities that support and develop a stronger Northeast Ohio workforce.

The Northeast Ohio BAC is a council of school administrators, business leaders and local community leaders that convenes quarterly to **Advise** local school districts on changes in the economy and job market and the area in which future jobs are most likely to be available; **Advocate** for the employment skills most critical to the business and industry and the development of curriculum to teach these skills; and **Aid and Support** local school districts by offering suggestions for developing a working relationship among businesses, labor organizations and educators.

The Goals of the Northeast Ohio BAC are to:

1. *Provide opportunities for area educators, business and community leaders to network, share ideas and discuss common issues and concerns;*
2. *Build relationships with corporate and business leaders, governmental officials and other key constituents; and*
3. *Foster dynamic and on-going communication about activities, projects, educational programs as well as other educational opportunities for teachers and students.*

Our five priority strategies, built upon and supporting the nation's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and Ohio's strategic vision for College and Career Readiness are to:

1. *Collaboratively create and develop a more collective approach to communicating and promoting the importance of college and career readiness;*
2. *Identify, develop and nurture collaborative networking and partnership opportunities;*
3. *Assist districts and businesses in identifying and leveraging regional resources;*
4. *Nurture and develop stronger working relationships between educators, business leaders and community members;*
5. *Forecast regional workforce needs, identify specific knowledge, skills and competencies and share promising practices for college and career readiness success.*



The following is a summary of this year's meetings, our progress and any additional suggestions, recommendations and actions:

Meeting	Goal(s) Met	Strategies	Status	Advice, Suggestions, Recommendations (ASR) and Actions
Date: October 10, 2018 Location: Lincoln Electric Topic: Manufacturing & Welding Business Reps: Lincoln Electric and ToolingU SME			Complete	<b>ASR:</b> Develop website page for communicating BAC information, resources and meeting notes. <b>Actions:</b> BAC website page/section developed and hosted on ESC of Northeast Ohio website ASR: Explore opportunities for expanding Tooling U SME courses. <b>Actions:</b> Follow-up meeting with Tooling U SME
December 10, 2018 Location: ESC of Northeast Ohio Topic: Business Roundtable Forum Business Reps: Aerozone Alliance, The Cleveland Clinic and Nestle USA	Goals #1, #2 and #3	Strategy #1, #2, #3, #4 and #5	Complete	<b>ASR:</b> Create a vehicle where Northeast Ohio educators can collaborate, examine and share ideas, network and discuss common concerns about college and career readiness. <b>Action:</b> January, 2019, ESC of Northeast Ohio established the Northeast Regional College and Career Readiness Leaders Network
February 8, 2019 Location: ESC of Northeast Ohio Topic: Preparing Students for College and Career Readiness Business Reps: Ohio Department of Education (ODE), Northeast Ohio Regional Tech Prep and Perry Local Schools			Complete	<b>ASR:</b> Explore funding opportunities to help support internships and programming for minority students and teachers in career readiness. <b>Action:</b> The ESC of Northeast Ohio will be rewriting and re-submitting a U.S. Department of Education Innovation Research (EIR) Grant in April, 2019. The focus of the grant will be on STEM education, computer sciences, personalized learning and career readiness. <b>ASR:</b> Explore and discuss barriers as well as potential funding opportunities within both the current and future state funding formulas for Career Technical Education for K-12 education. <b>Action:</b> Concerns and suggestions were shared with representative from the Ohio Department of Education (ODE)
May 2, 2019 Location: TBA Topic: Cybersecurity and Our Future Workforce Business Reps: TBA	TBA	TBA	Ongoing	TBA

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