

List of Breakout Sessions

2022 RGV LEAD Regional Conference - Thursday, January 20, 2022

Presentation Title	Session Description	Organization
TRAIN Es Tu Futuro: No cost industry recognized certifications	Are you looking to certify students in industry recognized certifications like OSHA, Cybersecurity, and others? The Texas A&M RGV Advanced Manufacturing Innovation Hub can help! Participants in this session will learn about the ways funding from this program can support your certification needs at no cost to your organization.	Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station
Cultivating Strong Educational Leaders	What is educational leadership? I. Growth of an educational leader II. How to grow as an educational leader II. Traits of a leader III. Makings of a Successful Educational Leader IV. Cultivating Leadership in Others V. Cultivating the nature of leadership VI. REMINDERS!	RGV Lead Student Ambassadors - Lopez ECHS (BISD)
Small Town, Big Dreams	How a small, rural school uses CTE programs to help prepare students for college and careers.	San Perlita ISD
Navigating through Workforce Solutions Transition Resources	Workforce Solutions offers many resources to guide students through their career choices. Did you know that Workforce Solutions also provides resources for students with disabilities who are in the process of transitioning to post-secondary education and/or employment? Join this session to hear about how you can partner with Workforce Solutions to connect you to resources, events and community partners for students with disabilities.	Workforce Solutions
Workforce Development Innovation Challenge	Industry's fast rate of technology implementation has created a skills gap that requires mitigation via partnerships between academia, industry, and the community. The Office of Professional Education & Workforce Development (PEWD) , in collaboration with the Workforce Development Advisory Committee (WDAC) , has developed a comprehensive strategy to mitigate the skills gap and prepare our regional workforce to be more adaptive to the changing needs. We think that the Workforce Development Innovation (WDI) challenge holds the key. Companies that meet the criteria will receive the WDI award recognized by the community and industry leaders. This presentation will show how this innovative initiative, with support from industries and workforce development entities, will address the skills gap in the Rio Grande Valley.	The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley & Lozoya Consulting

<p>A Pipeline for Health Professional and Biomedical Science Research Careers: UTRGV BS in Biomedical Science (BMED) and Rio Grande Valley Bridge to Baccalaureate in Biomedical Sciences (RGV B2BMED) Programs</p>	<p>A diverse healthcare and biomedical science research workforce are vital to the nation in remaining competitive in a global economy globally and in scientific discovery and innovation. Yet, populations from economically disadvantaged and/or rural areas and racial minority groups are significantly underrepresented in these field. One of the leaky pipelines in the pathway to healthcare professions and research science careers is the matriculation of students at community college (CC) institutions and subsequently to baccalaureate programs at four-year institutions. To address this issue, the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV), in conjunction with South Texas College (STC) and Texas Southmost College (TSC), have implemented articulation agreements to bridge students from the CC to UTRGV BS in Bachelor Science which is a pipeline for these careers and also developed the Rio Grande Valley Bridge to Baccalaureate in Biomedical Sciences (RGV B2BMED) Program, a research training program to support the transition of students. In this presentation we will introduce you to the BS in Bachelor Science and the B2BMED programs at UTRGV.</p>	<p>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</p>
<p>Texas College Bridge for Mathematics and English</p>	<p>Texas College Bridge is an online, competency-based program that can be implemented to satisfy HB5 College Preparatory Courses. The math and English curricula were structured by postsecondary faculty to ensure they provide the ideal level of review and readiness for success in Texas college courses and meet Texas TSI standards. To date, greater than 70% of two- and four-year institutions and 400 school districts have adopted Texas College Bridge. Early efficacy data from Dallas College demonstrated that students who enrolled in entry-level math courses after completing the program had a higher overall passing percentage than college students who did not participate in Texas College Bridge. What's more, the program offers the ability to demonstrate empirical equivalencies to Texas CCMR indicators, including the SAT, ACT, and TSIA. Session participants will receive a guided exploration of the program and learn how to participate.</p>	<p>The NROC Project & The Commit Partnership</p>
<p>The More you Know, The Further You'll Go. Learn to Navigate your Pathway towards Success.</p>	<p>In this session, we will be discussing topics such as using labor market information, accessing tools and resources for career and education exploration, as well as soft skills and their importance in today's job market. Our goal is to empower students to make an informed decision whether they choose to go straight into the workforce, obtain training/certification, or want to pursue a 2-year/4-year degree right after high school.</p>	<p>Workforce Solutions LRGVWDB</p>
<p>Creating a Partnership for R.G.V. Students' Post-Secondary Success</p>	<p>Academic Success? College Readiness? Are you looking for viable and rigorous programing to increase student academic success and college readiness? This informative session will focus on the various programs offered by UTRGV P-16 Outreach and Testing Services.</p>	<p>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</p>