



MCAN E-Alerts

As a member of the Minnesota College Access Network, you will receive these e-alerts with news on college access in Minnesota and around the country.

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Minnesota College Access Network

"Building a Network to Impact College Pathways for all Minnesotans."

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MCAN WELCOMES DR. ROBERTO GONZALES

MCAN will be hosting Dr. Roberto Gonzales, author of "Wasted Talent and Broken Dreams: The Lost Potential of Undocumented Students." A reception on Thursday, April 16th will highlight Dr. Gonzales' research in the area of college access. Please check the [MCAN Events](#) website for details.

MCAN MEMBER HIGHLIGHT: ACHIEVEMPLS

AchieveMpls' mission is to galvanize community resources to help all Minneapolis Public School students succeed in school and become productive members of society. As part of their College and Career Centers programming, AchieveMpls will be hosting career fairs. For dates, locations and times, [click here](#).

CONFERENCE ON HIGH PERFORMANCE

The College Readiness Consortium invites you to attend the Conference on High Performance at the U of M on March 23, 2009. The conference will feature Mr. Andreas Schleicher, who heads the Indicators and Analysis Division at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris, where he leads the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA). For more detailed information, please [download the attached flier](#).

NEWS AND LINKS

National News

College for All. Inside Higher Education. February 25, 2009

President Obama issued a powerful challenge to his own administration and to individual citizens Tuesday night, calling on every American to "commit" to attending at least one year of college so that the country can reclaim its mantle as the best educated nation in the world. [Click here for the full article](#).

Local News

Great Lakes announces new deadline for College Access Champion Award

The deadline for the *College Access Champion Award* has been extended. The new deadline is March 13. Great Lakes will grant 20 awards in Minnesota. If you are selected by the committee to receive an award, Great Lakes will make a student loan payment on your behalf of \$5,000 or the outstanding balance of your federal student loan, whichever is less! [To see eligibility requirements or apply, click here](#).

Tools and Resources

Download "Wasted Talent and Broken Dream"

Gonzales, Dr. Roberto. ["Wasted Talent and Broken Dreams: The Wasted Potential of Undocumented Students."](#) Immigration Policy in Focus. Vol. 5 Issue 13. October 2007



New ISEEK Tools for Parents

[ISEEK Parent Brochure](#)

This brochure explains three clear steps for families to get started exploring careers together, plus resources where they can get answers.

[Pathways to Success](#)

26 page print publication informs and empowers parents to help teens

[ISEEK Parent Center](#)

In March, a whole new ISEEK Parent Center website will be launched.

To remove your name from our mailing list, please [click here](#),

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