

Partnerships: A Need to Know for Your Institution

[Johnson County Community College, Regnier Center 101 C and D](#)

Thursday, April 2

8:30-9 a.m.

Coffee and Muffins (provided by ACHE)

9:00-9:50 a.m.

Laura Schmidt, Chief Positive Person at notes to self, I.I.c.

Words make all the difference® - How encouraging words and support have made all the difference in creating my business.

Meet Linda and hear her story of how she started her business – notes to self, I.I.c. . Learn about her success, what it took and who she involved to get where she is today.

10-10:50 a.m.

Lee Jost, Executive Director, Cultivate, Inc. and Erin Moeder, Volunteers & Programs Coordinator, Johnson County Department of Corrections

Listen to their story of how this partnership between these organizations as well as Johnson County Community College (JCCC) began providing needed skills training for men and women emerging from incarceration. Learn as they provide transferable principles to empower others to connect and activate their networks in support of an underserved population.

11-11:50 a.m.

Rob Wyrick, Director of JCCC Foundation

Building effective, innovative collaborations with partners on campus and in your community is vital to accomplishing your mission. Look beyond your own strengths to leverage the collective strength of internal and external stakeholders.

12-12:50 p.m.

Lunch (provided by JCCC)

1-1:50 p.m.

Walk off our lunch as we tour the newest building on the JCCC campus – [Hugh L. Libby Career and Technical Education Center](#). This is a true learning facility incorporating both Credit and Continuing Education courses in the areas of automation engineer technology, automotive technology, electrical technology, heating, ventilation and air conditioning technology, and plumbing.

2-2:50 p.m. ([Industrial Training Center 44](#))

Terry Harrison, Director National Academy of Railroad Sciences (NARS) and John Littleton, Program Director Continuing Education in Trades, Manufacturing and Railroad

Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad (BNSF) has been a partner of JCCC for over 40 years with their centralized training center located right here on the JCCC main campus. Learn of the Credit and Continuing Education programs offered on this campus and around the United States from this unique partnership.

3-3:50 p.m. ([Industrial Training Center](#))

After hearing about the relationship between JCCC and BNSF, take a tour of the Railroad training facility and their unique space.

4:15-5:30 p.m.

Reception in the Atrium – Regnier Center

Friday, April 3

8:30-9 a.m.

Coffee & Muffins (provided by ACHE)

9-9:50 a.m.

Mayor Don Roberts, City of Edgerton

Beth Linn, City Administrator, Edgerton

Kara Banks, Marketing & Communications Manager, Edgerton

Located in Southwest Johnson County, the City of Edgerton, along with multiple partnerships, established the Learning & Career Center at LPKC (Logistics Park Kansas City). The partnerships include the City of Edgerton, NorthPoint Development, BNSF, JCCC, and Workforce Partnership. Hear from the city how this came about, their struggles and where they are today.

10-10:50 a.m.

Jill McCarthy, Corporate Attraction at Kansas City Area Development Council (KCADC)

KCADC is charged with representing the economic interests of the two-state, 18 county Greater Kansas City region. Their role is to attract companies and talent to the region among many other things. Jill will share why education institutions are so very important in what they do.

11-11:50 a.m.

ACHE Great Plains Business Meeting

12 p.m. (noon)

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