

FutureMakers Coalition Member Agreement

The FutureMakers Coalition is made up community members focused on improving the quality of life and workforce readiness of citizens in all five counties of Southwest Florida (Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Hendry, and Glades). The Coalition was formed around a group of regional collaboratives and stakeholders all working across a diverse educational and economic continuum (from cradle to career). The FutureMakers Coalition designs and implements strategies that facilitate systemic cradle to career change. The Coalition's stated goal is to increase the number of college degrees and post-secondary certifications from 27 to 40% by 2025.

In order to achieve these results, we agree to work collaboratively with other education, non-profit, business, civic and community leaders as FutureMakers Coalition Members, with our actions rooted in the following beliefs:

- Southwest Florida's economy and quality of life will be enhanced by increase post-secondary educational attainment.
- A vibrant and diverse regional economy demands skilled employees.
- The well-paying jobs of today and the future will require some form of postsecondary education.
- Southwest Florida's existing workforce will benefit from enhanced access to postsecondary education.
- Every child can learn.
- Every child deserves to be held to high expectations so that she/he may reach his/her fullest potential.
- Every child has the right to access the highest-quality public education available.
- Education is a community responsibility, requiring the cross-sector collaboration and commitment.
- The best way to transform the five-county educational and workforce landscape is through the collective impact that can be achieved by a coordinated, data-driven, regional coalition centered on a common agenda for change.

We individually and collectively commit:

- To promote the effective use of data to drive continuous improvement;
- When called upon, to support the work of FutureMakers Action Teams engaged in improving Regional Outcomes;
- To contribute to a constructive public dialog on post-secondary attainment as a community-wide responsibility;
- To enhance partnerships that support post-secondary attainment;
- To link workforce needs to post-secondary options;
- To ready and sustain student success through targeted support;
- Where possible, to coordinate our individual and collective actions, advocacy and funding in support of our shared goals;
- As non-profits, funders of non-profits and educators, to commit to and be accountable for outcomes and their evaluation associated with a defined mission; and
- To persist in the long term collaborative engagement necessary to accomplish sustained improvement.

This FutureMakers Coalition Member Agreement is a statement of intent only, is not legally binding upon the parties, and implies no financial commitment on the part of any partner member.

For the Partner:

Signature

Name (print)

Organization

Title