

## **Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's Smart Schools Public Symposium**

**WHAT:** Public Symposium – Best Practices in Connectivity and Technology-Enabled Education & Learning

**WHEN:** Monday, July 21, 2014 from 11am-1pm

**WHERE:** The Blue Room, NYS Capitol 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Washington Street, Albany, NY (Please allow additional time to enter the building.)

*Space is limited; please RSVP to [SmartSchoolsRSVP@exec.ny.gov](mailto:SmartSchoolsRSVP@exec.ny.gov) and include your name, organization, and email address.*

Come hear from technology and education experts about innovative, successful approaches to school and community connectivity and technology-enabled education practices that can help to reimagine New York's public schools for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Currently scheduled speakers include:

- **David Salway, Director of the New York State Broadband Program Office**, will provide an overview of broadband connectivity across New York state, with an emphasis on the challenges and opportunities related to school and community access.
- **Ellen Meier, Director of the Center for Technology and School Change (CTSC) at Teachers College, Columbia University**, will discuss the transformative potential of classroom technology and the need to avoid simply “digitizing the status quo.”
- **Dale Breault, Assistant Director of the Northeastern Regional Information Center (NERIC) of the Capital Region BOCES**, will highlight examples of how technology is currently helping support innovation—from virtual AP coursework and robotics to high-tech business and education partnerships—in a variety of diverse educational settings.
- **Thomas Phillips, Superintendent of the Watkins Glen Central School**, will discuss the District's STEM classroom construction project that will expand their library and build out innovative technology-enhanced learning spaces such as a broadcast studio and high-tech manufacturing classroom.
- **Patterson Green, Superintendent of the Sharon Springs Central School District**, will discuss the District's 1:1 iPad program for all students in grades 7-12 that has driven the integration of technology into the classroom and bridged the digital divide for students in an area underserved by broadband.

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