

Central Indiana Education Alliance Releases its 4th Annual Community Report and Announces Inaugural Education Weekend

The Central Indiana Education Alliance (CIEA), formerly known as the Central Indiana Talent alliance, released its fourth annual Community Report on Education during a press conference on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 at WFYI Public Media. Attendees included IUPUI Chancellor Charles R. Bantz; Lloyd Wright, President and CEO, WFYI Public Media; along with more than 20 representatives of the CIEA Alliance. To watch the press conference online, click here: http://bit.ly/1jlrB92

Highlights of the report include statistics and information on preschool education programs, high school graduation rates, ISTEP passing rates and college attainment as well as household income levels and unemployment rates. The full report is available here: http://bit.ly/1u54ggz

Report highlights:

- Four-year graduation rates for Marion County students are up 13% (2009-2012)
- Roughly 3 in 10 Marion County children live in poverty.
- Growth in reading scores among students is up 60% (CIEA Literacy w/ iPads pilot program).
- 125,826 individuals in Marion County have some college, but no degree.
- 2012 median salary in Marion County for high school graduates is \$26,129 and for college graduates the median is \$41,653.

The CIEA also announced its inaugural "Education Weekend," May 16 to 18. A weekend full of Informative and interactive activities is planned across Indianapolis to engage and enlighten participants. A complete list of Education Weekend activities is available at: http://bit.ly/1rGog5f

WFYI Public Radio's Sam Klemet attended CIEA's April 30 press conference and filed this report on the Alliance's 2013 Community Report on Education: bit.ly/1n4d4PO

For more information about the Central Indiana Education Alliance, and the more than 37 Greater Indianapolis-area businesses, schools, nonprofits and philanthropic institutions that comprise it, visit CIEA's website at www.edalliance.iupui.edu.