

Georgia & Alabama Share Best Practices

On June 3, 2011 members of the Lt. Governor's office hosted representatives from the Alabama Lt. Governor Kay Ivey's office and various industry leaders from Alabama. The group, including Chuck Carver, Director of Economic and Community Affairs, Keith Karst, Vice President of Trenholm Tech Board and Division Manager for Alabama Power, and Bonnie Evans, Chamber Representative, visited the Central Education Center to look at Georgia's College and Career Academy model.



Alabama representatives listen to Michael Britt, Broadcast Video Director at CEC talk about his program opportunities. Also in attendance were (left to right) Jenny Williams, TCSG; Keith Karst, Vice President of Trenholm Tech Board and Division Manager with Alabama Power; Mark Whitlock, CEO of the CEC; Chuck Carver, Director, Economic and Community Affairs for the Alabama Office of Lieutenant Governor Kay Ivey; Frank Pinson, CEO of the Floyd County College and Career Academy; and Bonnie Evans, Alabama Chamber Representative.

The visit was incredibly successful and included talks about the two states best practices, along with the planning of an October 2011 summit between Lt. Governors Cagle and Ivey. This meeting will afford the opportunity to assist in improving each others economic outlook and discuss educational opportunities for the students of the two states.

Because of the efforts of Floyd College and Career Academy CEO Frank Pinsa, the idea for the two states collaboration was realized. Floyd County Schools and Floyd College and Career Academy will serve as host for the October event.

Look to this newsletter for continued specific information for this event and make plans to attend.

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