



Student Vision for Dayton initiative kicks off with community event

-Monday, Sept. 16, 4 p.m., Dayton Metro Library-

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Learn to Earn Dayton, in cooperation with Mayor Jeffrey J. Mims, Jr., announces the official kick-off for My Voice. My City. My Future., an initiative that gives our young leaders the power to write the plan for their future.

The community kick-off event is Monday, Sept, 16, at 4 p.m. at the Dayton Metro Library, 215 E. Third St. (Bassani Theatre Off Third). During the event, community members, students, families, and youth-serving organizations will learn more about the initiative, hear student testimonials, participate in a mini data walk, and hear the results of a recent student survey that will be used to set priority focus areas for an action plan.

“Setting our youth up for productive and successful lives is the work of our entire community,” said Mayor Mims. “It’s key that we align our resources and center the voices of our young people in a shared plan for supporting their futures.”

After the kick-off, a series of listening sessions will take place this fall, with two public sessions to be held on Oct. 2 at Thurgood Marshall High School and Oct. 28 at Boys & Girls Club of Dayton. All teens who live or go to school in the city of Dayton are encouraged to attend one of the sessions to be part of the process in creating a stronger community for teens and by teens.

“The first step forward to create a community where teenagers have the opportunity to contribute to building their own future is for adults to step back, to listen and to acknowledge the expertise and brilliance of our young leaders,” said Stacy Schweikhart, CEO of Learn to Earn Dayton. “We are surrounded by greatness--just waiting for their opportunity to shine and to make our city brighter than we could ever imagine.”

More information can be found at www.learntoearn Dayton.org/studentvision.

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Learn to Earn Dayton is the regional cradle-to-career intermediary organization, leveraging data, policy, and partnerships to improve student outcomes along the educational continuum. Learn to Earn Dayton serves the community as a convener, collaborator, innovator, and incubator, centering youth voices and driving for solutions to improve our local communities.

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