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FCAN and partners to discuss community collaboration, postsecondary attainment before Florida House subcommittee

Executive director Laurie Meggesin will present alongside representatives from Lumina Foundation and local college access networks

Laurie Meggesin, executive director of <u>Florida College Access Network</u> (FCAN), will appear before the <u>Florida House of Representatives</u>' <u>Post-Secondary Education Subcommittee</u> Thursday as part of a panel discussion about the many ways communities are collaborating to boost postsecondary attainment.

After presenting alongside local college access networks LEAP and Earn Up in January, FCAN was invited back to provide an update.

Meggesin will present with Nicole Washington, Higher Education Policy Consultant, Lumina Foundation; Jennifer McFarren, Community Development Representative, Gulf Power Company and Achieve Escambia partner; Jessica Kleinberger, Manager of Destination Graduation, Heart of Florida United Way and Central Florida College Access Network partner; and Michelle Zech, Human Resources Business Partner for Lee Health and FutureMakers Coalition partner.

To view tomorrow's session, visit the Live Streams tab on <u>thefloridachannel.org</u>. You can also <u>view the slides from tomorrow's discussion</u> and follow <u>FCAN on Twitter</u> for live coverage.

About Florida College Access Network

The mission of the Florida College Access Network is to create and strengthen a statewide network that catalyzes and supports communities to improve college and career preparation, access, and completion for all students. Our Big Goal is to increase the percentage of Florida residents who hold a high-quality postsecondary degree or credential to 60% by the year 2025. For more information, visit www.floridacollegeaccess.org.

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