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Historically Black Community Colleges (HBCC) and Predominately Black Community Colleges (PBCC) Leaders Convene to Focus on Investing in Student-Success-Based Attainment and Data-Driven Decision Making

ALABAMA- The Alabama HBCC/PBCC Network, convened by Alabama Possible, held a two-day convening on Wednesday and Thursday at the Alabama Community College System office focused on investing in student-success-based attainment and data-driven decision making. The convening brought together leaders from HBCC and PBCC institutions from across the state of Alabama to share best practices and explore innovative solution to improve student outcomes.

Special guests of the convening included Chancellor Jimmy Baker of Alabama Community College System, Alabama Representative Jeremy A. Gray, and Wayne Taliaferro of Lumina Foundation. The two-day convening was led by content experts from Complete College America and The Kea Consultants, who provided valuable insights and guidance to the attendees.

During the convening, participants engaged in interactive sessions that covered a range of topics, that included strategies for improving student retention and graduation rates, leveraging data to drive decision-making, and implementing evidence-based practices to support student success. Attendees also had the opportunity to network and share their own experiences and challenges with peers from other institutions.

"The two-day convening provided an opportunity for HBCC and PBCC leaders to come together and collaborate on strategies to improve student outcomes," said Chandra Scott, executive director of Alabama Possible. "We were honored to convene such esteemed leaders and grateful to our content experts for sharing their expertise and knowledge."

The convening also served as a platform for participants to exchange ideas and information on how to better support their students, particularly those from underserved communities and underresourced families. By working together and leveraging data and evidence-based practices, HBCC and PBCC institutions can create a more equitable and inclusive educational eco-system that empowers students to succeed.

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About Alabama Possible:

<u>Alabama Possible</u> is a nonprofit organization that works to remove barriers to prosperity in Alabama through education, collaboration, and advocacy. The HBCC/PBCC Network is a part of Alabama Possible's ongoing effort to improve educational outcomes for all students in Alabama. The HBCC/PBCC Network is funded by Lumina Foundation and the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

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