

School Readiness: Closing Racial and Ethnic Gaps

A practical conference for those working with kindergarten and pre-school students

Agenda

8:30 - 8:45 **Breakfast** (Shultz Dining Room)

8:45 - 8:55 **Greetings** (Dodds Auditorium)

Provost Christopher Eisgruber, Laurance S. Rockefeller Professor of Public Affairs in the Woodrow Wilson School and the University Center for Human Values

8:55 - 9:05 **Comments**

Lucille Davy, Special Counsel to the Governor for Education Policy, NJ

9:05 – 9:45 **Introducing the Issue**

Professor Cecilia Rouse, Director, Education Research Section, Professor of Economics and Public Affairs, Princeton University

9:45 -10:00 **Break** (Shultz Dining Room)

10:00-11:30 **Research Panel** (Dodds Auditorium)

Professor Jeanne Brooks-Gunn, Virginia and Leonard Marx Professor of Child Development and Education, Teachers College and the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University
Professor Christina Paxson, Director, Center for Health and Wellbeing, Professor of Economics and Public Affairs, Princeton University
Professor Jane Waldfogel, Professor of Social Work and Public Affairs, Columbia University

Moderator: Catherine B. Walsh, Deputy Director, Rhode Island KidsCount

11:30-12:45 **Lunch** (Shultz Dining Room)

12:45 - 2:00 **Breakout Session #1** (Basement of Robertson)*

2:00 - 2:30 **Break** (Bernstein Gallery)

2:30 - 3:45 **Breakout Session #2** (Basement of Robertson)*

3:45 – 4:15 **Closing Remarks** By Professor Cecilia Rouse

* specific rooms for breakout sessions on back