



**Common Standards, Common Sense:  
What the Common Core State Standards Mean for Arkansas**

**June 15, 2010**

**AGENDA**

**8:30 – 9:00 AM:** Check in/Coffee and Breakfast

**9:00 – 9:10 AM:** Opening Remarks

*Joel Rush, Chief Executive Officer, The Learning Institute*

**9:10 – 10:30 AM:** English/Language Arts Panel

*Carol Jago, President, National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) and Director of the Reading and Literature Project at UCLA*

*Dr. Sandra Stotsky, Professor of Education Reform at the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Chair in Teacher Quality*

**10:30 – 10:45 AM:** Break

**10:45 AM – Noon:** Mathematics Panel

*Dr. W. Stephen Wilson, Mathematics Professor, Johns Hopkins University*

*Nancy Livingston, Senior Director of Curriculum and Professional Development, Achievement First*

**Noon – 1:00 PM:** Lunch (provided) and Luncheon Remarks

*Dr. Richard Abernathy, Superintendent, Bryant Public Schools and incoming Executive Director, Arkansas Association of Educational Administrators (AAEA)*

**1:15 – 2:30 PM:** Special Guest Speaker

*Dr. Tom Kimbrell, Commissioner, Arkansas Department of Education*

**2:30 – 3:00 PM:** Final Questions and Closing Remarks

*Quentin Suffren, Chief Academic Officer, The Learning Institute*