REGIONAL WORKING GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

DAY ONE
How might we collaboratively improve college completion to expand and enhance the talent pool in Georgia and our region?

4:15 to 4:40 p.m.

What are our regional needs?

What populations and places are institutions currently serving well and where are there gaps?

What can we learn from the data (completion plans, regional profiles, other sources)?

In what strategic areas does our region show the most potential for growth and progress?

4:40 to 5:00 p.m.

What assets do we have as partners and how might we benefit from collaboration?

Who is present in the room and who needs to be brought into the conversation?

- K-12
- Industry
- Non-profit
- Government (local and state)
- Associations
- Private education
- Technical College System
- University System
- Community

5:00 to 5:45 p.m.
What are two to three priorities that we could focus on that would have a substantial impact on college completion?

Priority #1	Priority #2	Priority #3
Action Steps:	Action Steps:	Action Steps:
Targets:	Targets:	Targets:
Evidence Base and Data Needs:	Evidence Base and Data Needs:	Evidence Base and Data Needs:
Connection to Campus Plans:	Connection to Campus Plans:	Connection to Campus Plans:

DAY TWO

Reflection on Day One:

- How did having the regional partners present enhance the discussion?

- What additional ideas and strategies do you have that were not discussed?

- What are the short-term steps that came out of yesterday's discussion?

What Next?

- What are potential barriers or obstacles that will need to be addressed?

- How will you strategize and work with these and other regional partners moving forward?

- What are the short-term and long-term steps and what is a potential timeline?

INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGIONAL WORKING GROUP REPORT

Designate one or two point persons from your regional working group to present during the closing session.

Each group will have 2–3 minutes to share the following:

- 1–2 primary takeaways from Day One and Day Two discussions.

- Overview of the 2–3 priorities.

- Overview of next steps.