

Inaugural Ascent to 55% Convening Brings State Leaders in Business, Education, and Workforce to Jackson October 15-16

JACKSON, MS, UNITED STATES, October 8, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Ascent to 55% Convening will bring together education, business, and community leaders from across Mississippi for a two-day, first-of-its-kind statewide gathering focused on increasing postsecondary educational attainment and strengthening the state's workforce. The Convening will feature keynotes, panels, and breakout sessions that explore strategies to expand opportunities and drive long-term economic growth.

Media are invited and encouraged to attend the Ascent to 55% Convening.

WHO:

Jean Massey, Executive Director, Ascent to 55%

Jim McHale, President & CEO, Woodward Hines Education Foundation Lt. Governor Delbert Hosemann, State of Mississippi Dr. Kim Hunter Reed, Commissioner of Higher Education, Louisiana Board of Regents State and national education, workforce, and business leaders

WHEN: Wednesday, October 15 – Thursday, October 16, 2025

WHERE: Jackson Convention Complex, 105 E Pascagoula St., Jackson, MS 39201

WHY: Mississippi's goal is to have 55% of working-age adults hold a degree, credential, or certificate of value by 2030. The Ascent to 55% Convening will foster collaboration across sectors to achieve that target and strengthen the state's economy.



Learn more about the Convening and the Ascent to 55% initiative at ascentto55percent.org.

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