

# AGENDA

## Rural Workforce Summit – 9/13/19

### Cornell University

9:30 AM	Registration
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	<p>Welcome by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ David Little, Executive Director - Rural Schools Association of New York State</li> <li>➤ Kathryn Boor, Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) at Cornell University</li> <li>➤ Richard Mayfield, State Director for USDA Rural Development in New York</li> </ul>
10:15 AM – 12:00 PM	<p>Why Rural? Panel Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Rob Mahaffey, Executive Director - Rural School &amp; Community Trust</li> <li>➤ King Whetstone, Director of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, Northeastern Regional Field Office USDA Census</li> <li>➤ Dr. Scott Sheeley, Special Assistant for Workforce Development at PA Department of Agriculture</li> <li>➤ Steve Bulger, Regional Administrator for SBA's Region II</li> <li>➤ Karen Coleman, Director for New York Department of Labor</li> </ul>
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	<p>Lunch &amp; Network</p> <p>Keynote Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Kathy Hochul, New York Lieutenant Governor (invited)</li> </ul>
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	<p>The Impact of Higher Education on Rural Revitalization and Community Wellbeing: Why Is It Necessary?</p> <p>Panel Discussion Moderated By President Marion Terenzio, SUNY Cobleskill</p>
2:00 PM- 2:15 PM	Break
2:15 PM – 3:45 PM	<p>Success Stories and Best Practices Panel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Pam Buffington, Co-Director, Science and Math Programs Education Development Center</li> <li>➤ Rebecca Lewis, Senior Project Director Education Development Center</li> <li>➤ John Sipple, Associate Professor Department of Development Sociology, Cornell University</li> <li>➤ Robin Blakely-Armitage, Senior Extension Associate Department of Development Sociology, Cornell University</li> </ul>
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM	Roundtable Discussions - Be A Part Of the Solution
4:45 PM – 5:00 PM	Closing