The summit will focus on exploring best practices and innovation in serving Foster Care Youth pursuing higher education. We will provide information about the Fostering Hope Bill, Foster Care Tuition Waivers and how to provide structured support services to youth on college campuses.

Alabama Reach and their success will also be featured. It's an opportunity for college, university, and trade school representatives to network and share ideas with nationally recognized speakers and presenters.

Statistically fewer than two percent of foster youths graduate with a bachelor’s degree. But, it’s been shown that graduation success rates improve when structured support services are offered and provided to foster youth in care. Scholarships are available for foster youth until age 26, well into college-age years.

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**AGENDA**

**Monday, September 28**

Registration opens at 9:00 a.m.

Keynote Luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m.

Charles R. Nash, Ed.D., Vice Chancellor

Academic and Student Affairs, The University of Alabama

Tuition Legislation

Karen Phillips, Assistant Attorney General

State of Alabama DEH

Supporting Youth in College: Strategies for Success

Sebrena Jackson, Ph.D, LCSW

National Social Work Enrichment

Support on College Campuses

Panel Discussion

Adjourn at 5:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, September 29**

Continental Breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m.

Keynote Morning Address

Rebecca Pengelley, Florida Dept of Children and Family

Caye Family Programs

FSE and Financial Aid

Helen Allen, Director

Student Financial Aid, The University of Alabama

College Readiness

Jameka Hartley, LCSW, Coordinator

Alabama REACH, The University of Alabama

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Eileen McCaffrey

Foster Care to Success

Luncheon Address

Anita Alston Ellis, Author

From Abandonment to Abundance

What it Takes to Graduate

Panel Discussion with REACH Alumni

Adjourn at 3:00 p.m.

For more information, please contact Judy Hand at 205-348-0073 or jhand@ccs.ua.edu
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We can do something about that.

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