Attachment D

Seamless Education a 'National Model'

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A recent case study by the Washington, D.C.-based Business Higher Education Forum calls the Long Beach Unified School District's Seamless Education Partnership a national model.

The Seamless partnership, started in 1994, connects LBUSD's educators with business leaders, Long Beach City College and Cal State Long Beach to make certain that students progress smoothly through the education systems and into the workforce.

"The Long Beach Seamless Education Partnership has become a defining feature of the community and a model for the nation," states the 16-page report, titled "Improving Education Through Collaboration: A Case Study of the Long Beach Seamless Education Partnership."

Among Seamless Education's signature programs is the Long Beach College Promise, which promises all LBUSD students the opportunity to receive a college education and provides a variety of educational benefits and services.

The full report by the Business Higher Education Forum is available <u>here</u>.

According to their website, BHEF is an organization of Fortune 500 chief executive officers, prominent college and university presidents, and foundation leaders "working to advance innovative solutions to our nation's education challenges in order to enhance U.S. competitiveness."