

Matrix of Partner Initiatives

American Youth Policy Forum

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The American Youth Policy Forum (AYPF) brings together policymakers, researchers and youth-serving practitioners to discuss and learn about issues of youth development, education and career preparation and training. AYPF hosts policy discussions and other forums for dialogue and provides experience-based learning opportunities for policy leaders (e.g. program site visits). AYPF also develops reports for a broad-based public, including its recent report examining the service-learning elements of comprehensive school reform programs, *Finding Common Ground: Service Learning and Education Reform*, and its seminal *High Schools of the Millennium* report that argues for a new vision of high school with smaller learning environments, community engagement, and greater civic, social and career opportunities for youth.

	Research	Policy	Practice	Public Engagement
Innovations & restructuring	X	X		X
Academic standards & assessment	X	X		X
Preparation of teachers, principals & youth workers				
Relevant and connected learning experiences	X	X		X
Alignment of secondary & post-secondary education				
Active, powerful, & knowledgeable communities	X	X		X
Personalization & support for high school-aged youth	X	X		X



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