

## **ACI and North Central College announce transition of Center for Success in High-Need Schools**

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The following is a joint announcement of Associated Colleges of Illinois and [North Central College](#), Naperville:

It is with great pleasure and excitement that Associated Colleges of Illinois (ACI) and North Central College announce the transition of the [Center for Success in High-Need Schools](#) to North Central College. For the past 12 years, the Center has convened the member colleges and universities of the Associated Colleges of Illinois to collaborate on best practices for recruiting, preparing and retaining excellent teachers and leaders for schools that need them most. In its new home at North Central College, the Center will continue to assemble its founding colleges and universities to advance critical education reforms as its members work diligently to recruit, prepare and retain new corps of teachers and leaders who are prepared to solve education's most challenging problems. Associated College of Illinois is proud to have launched the unique and successful Center collaboration as ACI moves forward to sharpen its focus on growing and retaining a diverse group of college students for its liberal arts colleges.

According to ACI Executive Director, Mick Weltman, "North Central College has a long history of successful collaboration and working in high-need schools that make it a perfect fit for the highly successful Center."

Provost Abiodun Goke-Pariola remarked, "North Central College has always been intimately involved in the Center's important work. Therefore, we are indeed pleased to welcome the Center's transition to our campus and look forward to continuing its tradition of collaborative engagement of member schools in the latest and best practices for preparing teachers and school leaders for transformational work in high-needs schools."