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**SCHOLARS, BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS DISCUSS PROMISING
MULTIPLE PATHWAYS APPROACH IN LOS ANGELES AREA SCHOOLS**

*Topics focus on new research combining college eligibility, career and technical
education and preparation for the 21st century in L.A.*

What: **Breakfast Briefing: “Multiple Perspectives on Multiple Pathways –
Preparing Los Angeles’ Youth for College, Career and Civic Responsibility”**

Discussions will revolve around a new collection of reports by UCLA’s Institute for Democracy, Education and Access (IDEA) that find a flexible Multiple Pathways approach integrating college preparation and career and technical education has the unique potential to meet the needs of L.A.’s diverse student population and the city’s needs for a productive workforce and engaged citizenry.

A Multiple Pathways approach, in collaboration with other high school reform movements, including Small Learning Communities (SLCs), provides an innovative design to better meet the individual needs of each student to offer the best possible knowledge base and skill set to succeed in life.

Who: Presented by: The Los Angeles Partnership for Multiple Pathways
Sponsored by: The James Irvine Foundation
Scheduled speakers:

- Gary Toebben - president & CEO, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce
- Dr. Jeannie Oakes - presidential professor, UCLA/IDEA
- Richard Alarcon - councilmember, City of Los Angeles
- A diverse group of business, education and community leaders

When: Monday, April 30, 2007
7:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Briefing will begin promptly at 8 a.m. (seating is limited)

Where: Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce – Board Room
350 South Bixel Street
Los Angeles, CA 90014

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