

Workbook 1.

START RETHINKING HIGH SCHOOLS IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Real change comes when high schools and community members like you work together in a strong partnership to improve our children's educational future. A partnership that's built on a strong foundation of trust, honesty, and a genuine commitment to improving student achievement. A partnership where everyone involved can freely

acknowledge the community's challenges, identify its strengths, and work hand-in-hand to improve both. What role can you play? How can you contribute? The workbook below will help you think through what you can do to help and how your high schools can strengthen the community and vice versa.

- 1. When I look at my community, what are our three most unique strengths and our three challenges? In other words, what makes our community great—and what does our community need to work on, together?**

STRENGTHS

For example: Strong community organizations, growing tech industry, engaged parents

A _____

B _____

C _____

CHALLENGES

For example: Job loss from factory closings, lack of career training, poverty and inequality

A _____

B _____

C _____
