

STEP UP TO SUCCESS...

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Selected News & Sound Clips for the Day*



Top US Education Official Raves About Pine Bush Summer Program...The nation's top elementary and high school official said Monday that Pine Bush High School's summer enrichment program is "among the top five percent" of all the programs she's ever seen. And the program is not just for the betterment of kids, it's about making their world better, said Angela Wise, 18, who also helped guide Melendez.

<http://www.recordonline.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20110712/NEWS/107120319>

FCC Launches New Education Program...The Federal Communications Commission launched a pilot program to expand off-campus education technology on Monday. The program, titled "Learning On-The-Go," will provide \$9 million to 20 schools and libraries for the 2011-2012 school year. Some of the schools will provide access to e-textbooks for students while others will create online education programs for homebound students unable to attend classes. Officials from the FCC hope to expand and improve the program in the coming years.

<http://thehill.com/blogs/hillicon-valley/technology/170767-fcc-launches-new-education-program>

Facebook, Time Warner Ganging Up on Bullies in Multimedia Campaign Aimed at Nettlesome Problem...Facebook and Time Warner are ganging up on bullies to address a problem that torments millions of children and young adults. The partnership announced Tuesday calls for Facebook and Time Warner to use their clout to raise awareness about bullying and encourage more people to report the abuses when they see them.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/sns-ap-us-tec-facebook-time-warner-online-bullies,0,1077733.story>

Creativity Drives Programs to Prevent 'Summer Slide'...Some cities and school districts have made summer learning a priority, influenced by studies that have found the summer months can be academically caustic for underprivileged students who lack opportunities for enriching and educational experiences. And research released last month by the RAND Corp. suggests that well-designed programs can help combat that "summer slide."

http://www.edweek.org/ew/articles/2011/07/13/36summer.h30.html?tkn=NUPFISjxAp5aAz1L_a6FOBZMPQHlnZw%2Fqrp%2B&cmp=ENL-EU-NEWS1

Teacher Residencies Make Strides, Encounter Obstacles...Federal investments in teacher "residency" programs are illuminating both promising developments and growing pains for the schools of education implementing the hands-on approach to training. Funded in part through the U.S. Department of Education's [Teacher Quality Partnerships grants](#), the intensive, yearlong approach is supposed to better align coursework with practical experience than traditional student-teaching, which typically comes during the last semester of the teacher-preparation program.

http://www.edweek.org/ew/articles/2011/07/08/36residency_ep.h30.html?tkn=SQLFKT7D3KD9W9JKwzQoe%2FFXcXB5A4AAvZvI&cmp=ENL-EU-NEWS2

SOUND CLIPS FOR THE DAY

Personalized Learning in Action

<http://www.edweek.org/ew/section/video-galleries/index.html>

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