

Quarterly Convening

March 14, 2022

Welcome

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and organization (or list
community member)**

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Agenda

- ▶ (~15) **Norwalk ACTS Welcome Announcements**
 - Staffing announcement
 - Seeking Board members
 - Release of Evergreen
 - New OST Program Locator
 - Norwalk ACTS approach to Data
- ▶ (~45) **CT Data Collaborative Workshop**
- ▶ (~45) **Data Breakout Groups**
- ▶ (~15) **Whole Group Debrief & Closing**

Welcome Barbara Beaujour!



Operations Coordinator for Norwalk ACTS

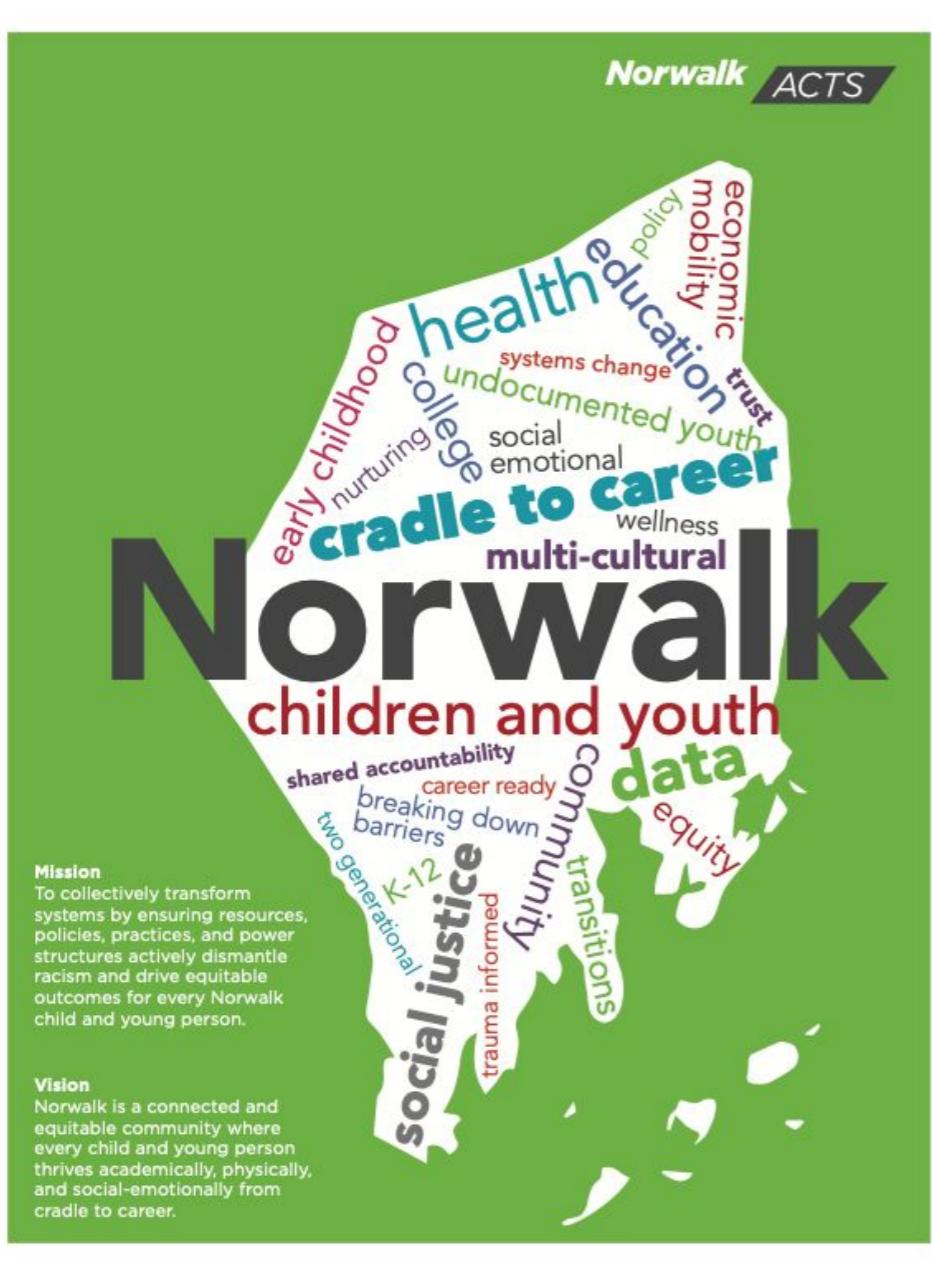
Seeking New Board Members!

Role of Norwalk ACTS Board

The backbone of Norwalk ACTS is a non-profit 501c(3) organization. The Board is responsible for

- ▶ Advocating for Norwalk ACTS and advancing purposeful connections
- ▶ Levering and influencing key stakeholders & partnerships necessary to advance mission and encourage collaboration throughout the community
- ▶ Informing board dialogue and organizational direction from a diversity of perspectives
- ▶ Fiduciary oversight and financial management (budget, audit, financial requirements)
- ▶ Resource procurement and fundraising
- ▶ Ensuring alignment between strategies and operations
- ▶ Selecting and evaluating the performance of the CEO

Releasing our Evergreen

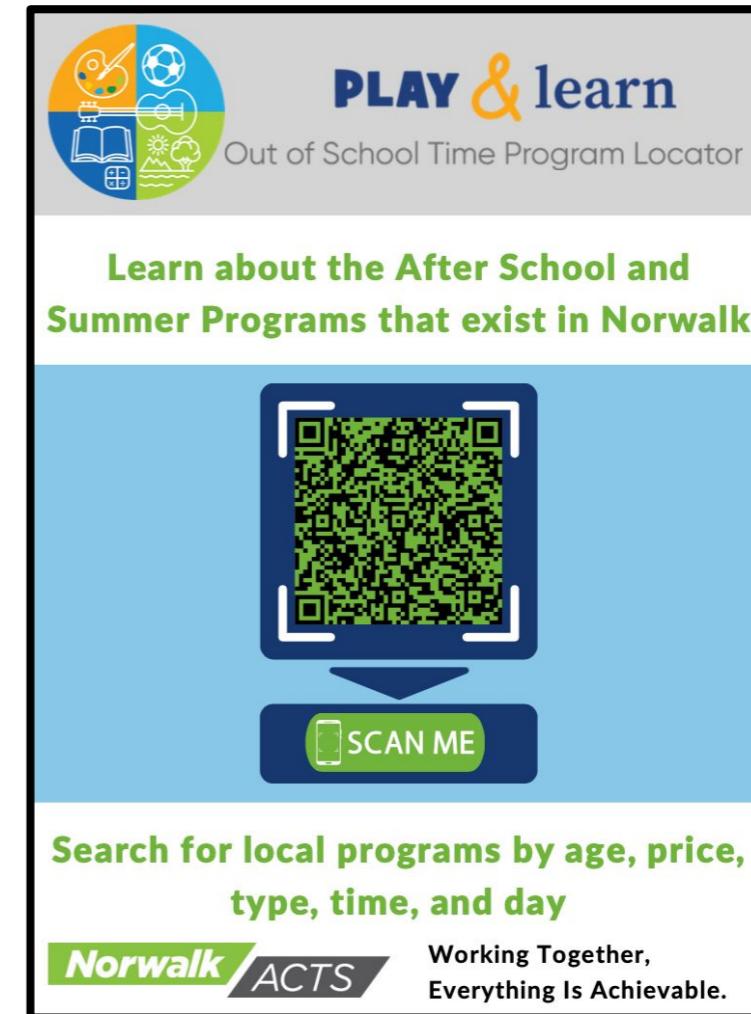


- ▶ **8-page informational material that explains Collective Impact and how Norwalk ACTS operates to transform systems.**

Celebrating the our new Out of School Time Program Locator!



The screenshot shows the desktop version of the website. At the top, there is a circular icon with four quadrants containing icons for soccer, a book, a guitar, and a sun. To the right of the icon, the text "PLAY & learn" is displayed in a stylized font, with "PLAY" in blue and "& learn" in orange. Below this, the text "Out of School Time Program Locator" is shown. A welcome message is present, followed by a "How-to Guide" section with links for "How-to Guide", "Demo Video", "Provider Survey", and "Contact Us". Below these are two large buttons: one with a blue "i" icon and another with a video camera icon. The main content area is divided into two sections: "Step 1. Customize Search" and "Step 2. Choose Program". The search section includes a search bar and dropdown filters for Keyword, Age, Price, Type, Time, and Days. The choose program section shows a list of 36 programs, with examples like "After School Art Classes" and "Anything Goes: Youth Edition". Logos for "Norwalk ACTS" and "Norwalk Arts Center" are visible.

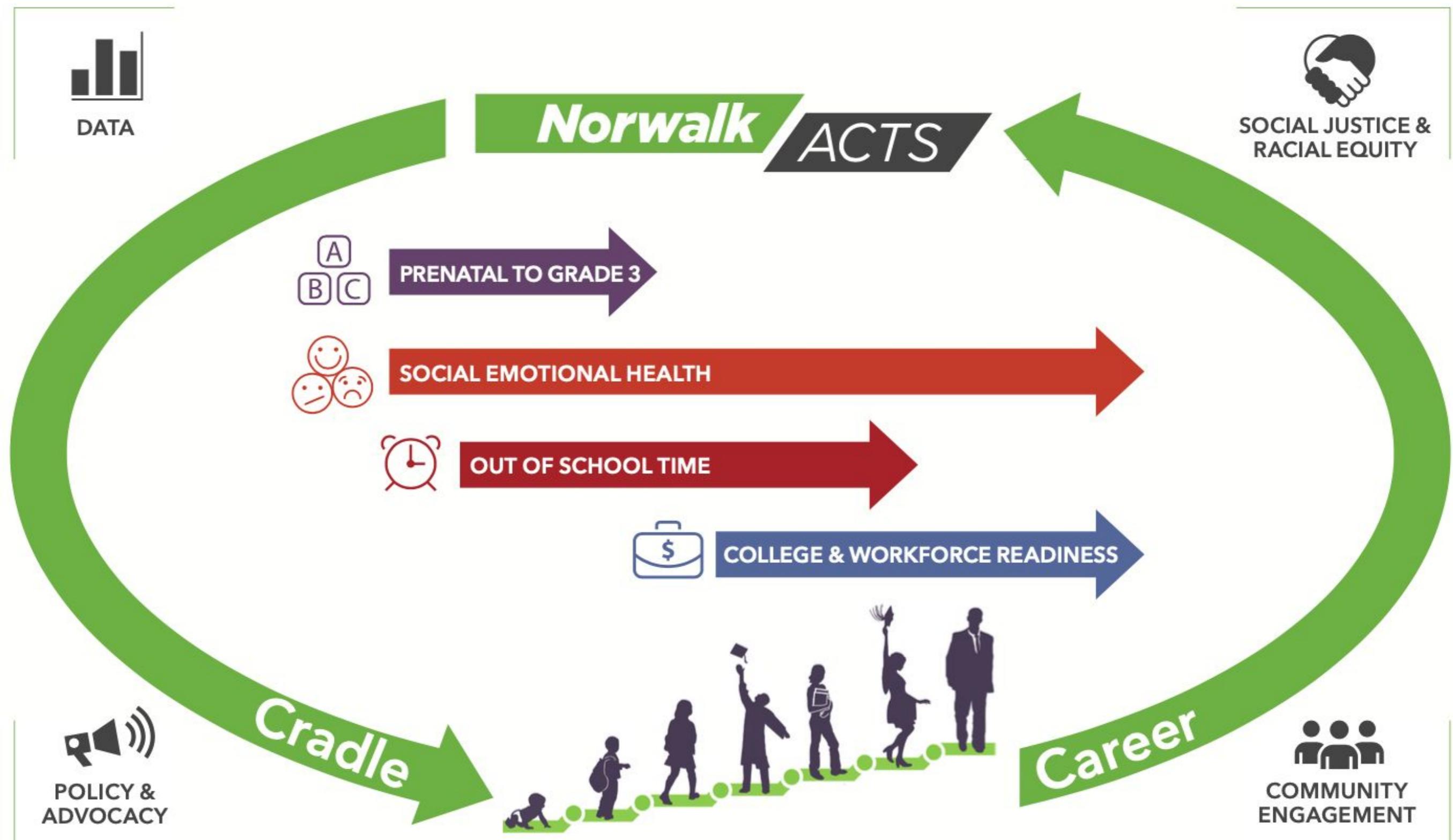


The screenshot shows the mobile version of the website. At the top, the "PLAY & learn" logo and "Out of School Time Program Locator" text are visible. Below this, a large green header reads "Learn about the After School and Summer Programs that exist in Norwalk". The main content area features a large QR code with a blue frame and a blue arrow pointing down to a green button labeled "SCAN ME". Below this, the text "Search for local programs by age, price, type, time, and day" is displayed. At the bottom, the "Norwalk ACTS" logo and the tagline "Working Together, Everything Is Achievable." are shown.

- ▶ **Features After School and Summer Programs that exist in Norwalk**
- ▶ **Families can search for local programs by age, price, type, time, and day**
- ▶ **Available in Spanish and Haitian-Creole - both desktop and mobile versions**
- ▶ **Over 50 programs listed!**

Data Cornerstone

Our cornerstones are embedded into each of our Initiatives across the cradle-to-career continuum.





- ▶ **Data is both Quantitative and Qualitative**
- ▶ **What do we do with data?**
 - » Collect it
 - » Clean and shape it
 - » Link it to other data
 - » Analyze it for insight
 - » Visualize it for clarity
 - » Report on it to the community
 - » Act on it to enable change
 - » Enable the community to use it for action
- ▶ **And always remember that**
 - » *Behind Every Data Point is a Child*

Breakout Group Conversation Norms & Agenda

Conversation Norms

1. Listen and be open to different perspectives and experiences.
2. Show respect and suspend judgment.
3. Disagreement is an opportunity to expand our perspectives.
4. Check your assumptions and assume positive intent.
5. Be purposeful and to the point.
6. Step up, step back.

Breakout Group Logistics

- 3 breakout groups
- 1 facilitator and supporting backbone staff member/Initiative leaders

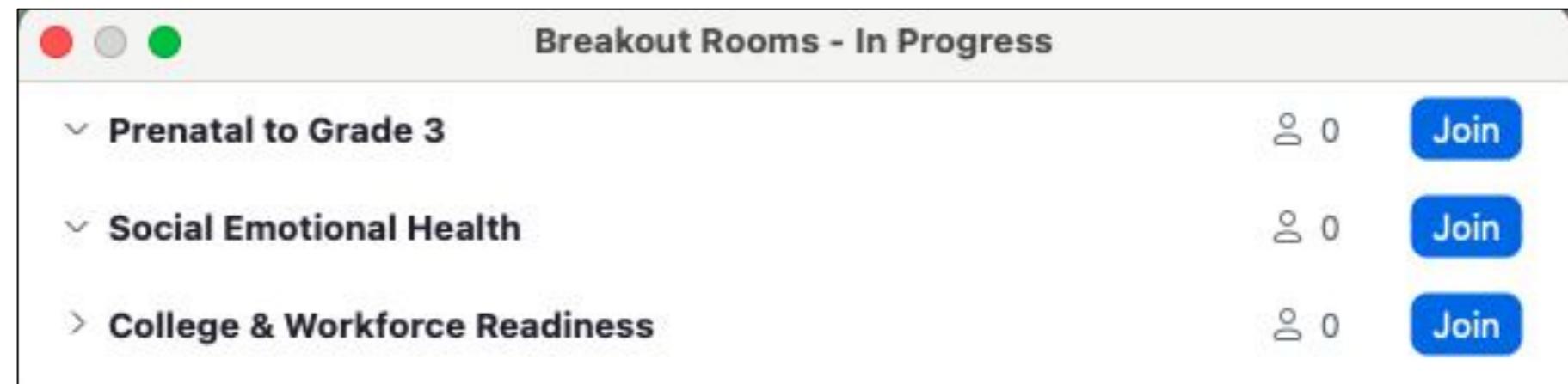
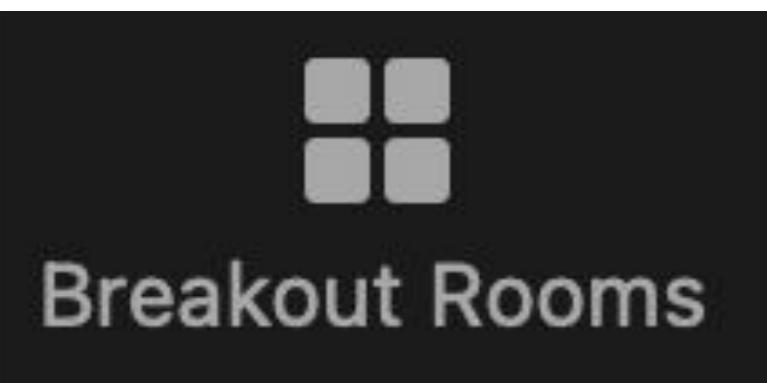
Breakout Group Topics Facilitated By:

1. **Prenatal to Grade 3**, Paula Palermo
2. **Social Emotional Health**, Denique Weidema-Lewis
3. **College & Workforce Readiness**, Jesse Buccolo

Timing:

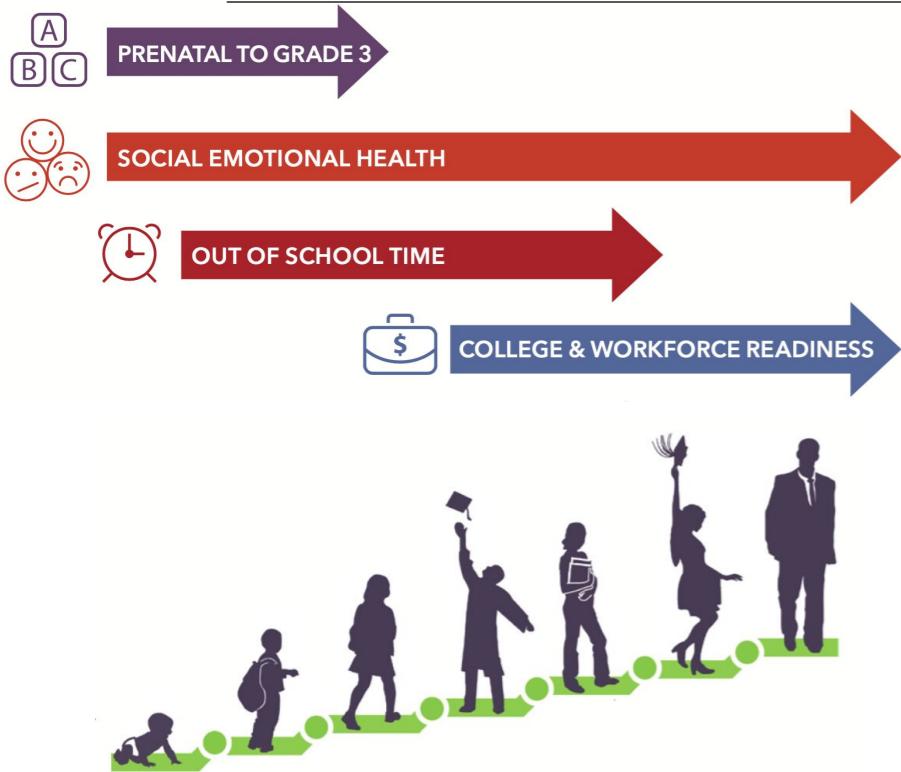
- ~5 Introductions
- ~10 Data Presentation
- ~30 Data Reflection & Discussion

Join breakout room that you are most interested in!

A screenshot of a digital interface titled "Breakout Rooms - In Progress". The interface features a header with three colored circles (red, grey, green) and a list of three breakout rooms. Each room entry includes a "Join" button. The room entries are: "Prenatal to Grade 3" (with a dropdown arrow), "Social Emotional Health" (with a dropdown arrow), and "College & Workforce Readiness" (with an arrow pointing right). Each room entry also has a small user icon and the number "0" next to it, indicating no participants.

Select breakout rooms and click join!

Our Next Steps for Strategic Planning



PN3 - Norwalk children are ready to learn in kindergarten and reading at grade level by 3rd grade

SEH - Norwalk children and young people cultivate the social emotional skills needed for them to shape their own lives and are engaged in relationships with their family, peers, school, and greater community.

OST - All Norwalk young people are connected to year-round, meaningful out-of-school experiences.

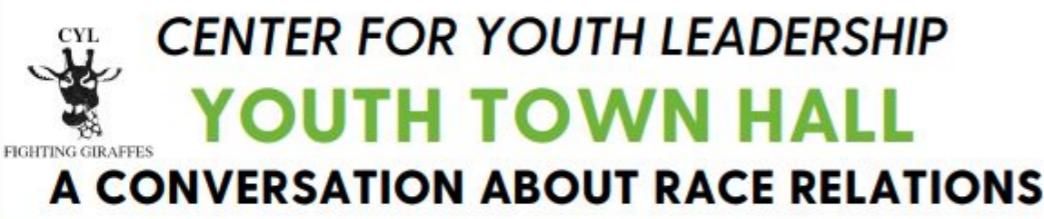
CWR - All young people in Norwalk are prepared for post-secondary education and/or a career and have those opportunities accessible to them.

Strategic Planning Process

- Narrow our focus within these outcomes areas to set realistic 3-year goals to achieve within each outcome area
- Today's questions and stories about our data is a critical step in the process for narrowing our focus

Upcoming Events in 2022 - Save the Dates!

All links will be shared in follow up email



WEDNESDAY, 3/16/22
7 - 8 PM

YOU ARE INVITED

Please join The Center for Youth Leadership (CYL) at Brien McMahon High School and the Darien High School Black Student Union, for a conversation about race relations. We welcome and encourage all to join.



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This discussion is made possible by Norwalk ACTS. It provides a safe space for youth to come together to share experiences, provide education, and explore equitable actions that can be taken within schools and the community



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Norwalk ACTS Annual Convening - Community Engagement

IN PERSON!

JUNE 14th

9:00-11:00am

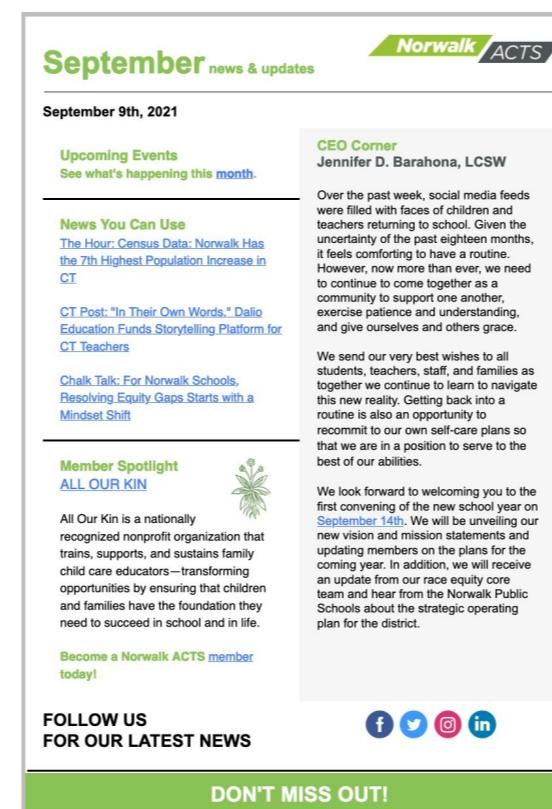


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