



Dear Entrepreneurship FORUM Participants:

This is a very special Entrepreneurship FORUM as we celebrate our 25th Anniversary of providing an annual conference attracting teachers and program developers from all over the US. We are pleased to welcome all of our international participants as well. The Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education is grateful to our sponsors for making it possible to offer a top-flight program for educators interested in developing and improving entrepreneurship programs at all levels of education, from primary school through secondary, postsecondary, and adult.

Please take time to meet the Consortium representatives and learn more about this dynamic organization:

VISION: An Organization Recognized as the National Leader in Advocating Entrepreneurship Education as a lifelong learning process

MISSION: The Consortium Champions Entrepreneurship Education and Provides Advocacy, Leadership, Networking, Technical Assistance and Resources to Leaders Across All Levels and Disciplines of Education.

The Consortium is composed of representatives of 24 state departments of education as well as over 75 other educational agencies and leaders in the field of entrepreneurship. We provide resources to help teachers develop programs from elementary education through high school, college, and adult as well as community-based programs in support of current and future entrepreneurs. Many of these resources can be found on our web page <www.entre-ed.org>.

For 25 years we have provided a national conference to encourage the growth of entrepreneurship education in our schools and communities. We are fortunate to have a strong Local Planning Committee that has helped us find outstanding speakers, activities, and sponsors for the conference including scholarships for 110 educators with us today.. Our sponsors deserve your thanks and praise.

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- **Charleston Area Planning Committee**
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We hope you enjoy this wonderful opportunity to make new contacts and share ideas to make the field of entrepreneurship GROW.

Best wishes to all,
Cathy Ashmore, Executive Director