

# **ACC 2009 Luncheon: #262**

## ***The Importance of Academics to Career Choices in Arkansas***



### **Keynote: Governor Mike Beebe and the Governor's Workforce Cabinet**

**Friday, November 6, 2009**

**11:30 A.M. – 1:40 P.M.**

**Peabody Hotel Salons A, B and C**

**Ticket Required**

**Visit the Hospitality Table for ticket availability.**

Students must be made aware of the importance of academics to career choices, especially STEM careers in Arkansas. What can teachers do to stimulate students to consider career options based on academic readiness? What can state agencies do to provide resources and support to teachers and students?

#### **Invited Panel Members from the Governor's Workforce Cabinet:**

**Dr. Tom Kimbrell, Commissioner, Arkansas Department of Education**

**Dr. Jim Purcell, Director, Arkansas Department of Higher Education**

**Dr. Ed Franklin, Director, Arkansas Association of Two-Year Colleges**

**Senator Bill Walker, Director, Arkansas Department of Career Education**

**Mr. Artee Williams, Director, Arkansas Department of Workforce Services**

**Dr. John Ahlen, Director, Arkansas Science Technology Authority**

**Mrs. Maria Haley, Director, Arkansas Economic Development Commission**

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*the Arkansas Council of Teachers of Mathematics (ACTM), the Arkansas Science Teachers Association (ASTA),*

*the University of Arkansas Center for Mathematics and Science Education (CMASE) and the Arkansas Network of Mathematics and Science Centers*