

LUNCHEON SERIES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024

We are pleased to announce our next lunch hour speaker.

Begins @ Noon

Linda Jennings, Chief Executive Officer **The Community Education Building** **An Economic Imperative**

Tucked into the heart of downtown Wilmington rises a multi-institutional vertical learning collaborative focused on improving academic and lifetime outcomes for some of the most under-resourced and under-served students and families in Delaware. Founded in 2012, this is the Community Education Building. Inside its relatively non-descript and corporate-looking exterior, it quietly serves approximately 1,300 youth and over 300 families. Students who attend school at the CEB frequently arrive one to two grade levels behind and most already have already experienced significant trauma. Over 95% of CEB students are students of color, and over 75% are considered low-income, primarily residing in the most underserved areas of the city. Outside of the families it serves, and those with knowledge of the educational challenges facing the City's population, the CEB is relatively, yet undeservingly, unknown.

The CEB includes four schools, including Kuumba Academy Charter School, Great Oaks Charter School Wilmington, High Road School of Delaware, and UD Associate in Arts program (AAP), and partners with seven resident community-based organizations (including Delaware's largest physical and behavioral health providers), and over 40 network partners, including Teach for America. Please join us as CEO Linda Jennings provides important insight and perspective on how the CEB hopes to create a foundation for education and economic improvement in the City of Wilmington.



Linda Jennings, Chief Executive Officer

Linda joined the CEB in July 2016 bringing to the role 20 years of cross-sector leadership and management experience. A co-founder of the high performing MOT Charter School serving 1,400 students, Linda led MOT Charter as Head of School for 11 years. Linda has also held senior executive level positions in legal, marketing, project management, and human resources in two Delaware-based corporations. Linda graduated Summa Cum Laude from Springfield College with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Mathematics and Health Fitness, received a Juris Doctor with Order of the Coif honors from the University of Maryland, and a M.S.ED in Education Entrepreneurship from UPENN's Graduate School of Education.

Menu

Mixed Green Salad, Wilmington Club Vinaigrette
CURRIED CHICKEN, CONDIMENTS
BASMATI RICE PILAF
Mixed Fresh Fruit

Members will be billed for the cost of the Luncheon.

Please Contact the Club Office for Reservations! 302.658.4287 or wilmclub@comcast.net