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**Quinsigamond Community College to Host  
GED Summit in Southbridge**

Worcester, Ma – Quinsigamond Community College will host a “GED Summit,” a gathering of General Educational Development (GED) and Adult Basic Education (ABE) providers in Central Massachusetts, on Friday, January 29, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The conference will take place at the Southbridge Hotel and Conference Center, adjacent to QCC’s Southbridge location.

Highlighting the summit will be a presentation by Massachusetts’ State GED Chief Examiner, Tom Mecham, titled “Retooling the GED Math Class for Post-Secondary Success.” Mecham aims to bridge the gap between the math portion of the GED exam and the college-required Accuplacer math test. Poor Accuplacer scores can impede first-year college students from emerging from developmental courses. He plans to introduce the beginnings of a GED/Accuplacer/college math curriculum.

Between thirty and forty providers are expected to attend. GED and ABE providers can contact QCC’s GED Chief Examiner, Laura Tino, for more information at 508.854.4407.

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