

2nd Annual Juxtopia Urban Learning Technology (JULT) Conference

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USA Overview:

The Juxtopia Urban Learning Technology (JULT) showcases urban learning technology to improve the academic proficiency of underserved and disadvantaged youth. JULT speakers will present learning technologies that increase test scores in K-12 math, reading, science and social studies; improve self-confidence; and improve workforce skills and entrepreneurial preparation. JULT2007 Hypothesis:

If we invest in urban underserved and disadvantaged youth to improve their academic and technological proficiency through learning technology, we will be able to increase the number of technically skilled American workers who will be capable of supplying America's demand for a highly skilled workforce and a better quality of life. Why JULT?

The U.S. is falling significantly behind the rest of the world when it comes to technology innovation and proficiency that require skills in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). This is even more daunting for historically disadvantaged youth, whose academic performance, noted through universal statistics, is below average around the world. Keynote Address:

Claud Anderson, Ed.D. Dr. Anderson is the president of The Harvest Institute, a non-profit, tax exempt a nationally recognized Black think tank that works to help Black America become a self-sufficient and competitive. Dr. Anderson is widely recognized as one of America's most influential intellectuals and authors on economic strategies for underserved and disadvantaged groups. In his recently published book, PowerNomics, he defines a National Plan to empower Black America. His social-political-economic package of principles for successful empowerment is a challenging and necessary strategy that demands national attention for a country built on the greatness of cultural diversity. Dr. Anderson's varied experiences span education, business, federal/state politics and successful social reform. Appointed by former president Jimmy Carter, Dr. Claud Anderson served as Assistant Secretary in the U.S. Department of Commerce. His message is one that must be heard, read and embraced. Distinguished Speaker: Dr. James E. West, Research Professor, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. Inventor. Johns Hopkins University, 1999 Inductee in the National Inventors Hall of Fame—to tell the stories of 16 other Hall of Fame Inventors. Dr. West will share Programs for Children. Dr. West invented the microphone.

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