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I came to THE COUNCIL to work with colleagues across the state to focus on our common goal – educating the next generation of young people to be leaders. It is our common daily focus as we do all of the things, that seemingly don't matter, but ultimately ensure what we can do to accomplish this goal. For all of us it is about learning, sharing, collaborating and sometimes commiserating about the same issues – how do we best serve children? THE COUNCIL is integral in the role of ensuring that the policies, implementation and the politics don't interfere with our goals.

The 2017 Fall Leadership Summit is themed: *Leading with a Growth Mindset*. A quote by Samuel Johnson simply summarized that, "Great works are performed, not by strength, but by perseverance." The belief students hold about how they become successful is integral to how they think about school and learning. Their experience in school, at home and the values they hold about education leads students in scholarly activities, their path as learners and their trajectory in the world – in education and in their career path.

Our opening keynote for the Fall Summit Eduardo Briceño from Mindset Works will discuss how this takes shape in our own actions and attitudes as well as in our classrooms. Following on this strand, we will have a small group session to dive in deeper into this idea and offer an on-line session, after the fall event, that you can use to ignite the staff in your school district.

Other session highlights include:

- Discussions with key women educational leaders including Carmen Farina, Chancellor of NYC Schools and Commissioner of Education MaryEllen Elia.
- Narcan™ (Naxolone) training to help you combat the opioid/heroin crisis in your schools. Narcan is a prescription medicine that blocks the effects of opioids and reverses an overdose.
- Wellness ideas to reduce stress and pressure and increase mental focus sponsored by The Women's Initiative.



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