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**College Students To Convene & Recommend Solutions For Higher Education**

~The 4th Annual Florida Student Education Policy Conference is Feb. 23-26 in Tampa~

**Tampa, FL**- College students from across Florida will convene at the University of South Florida in Tampa for the **4th Annual Florida Student Education Policy Conference** (FSEP) on **February 23**th **thru February 26**th. The conference, facilitated by the Florida College Access Network (Florida C.A.N.), is designed to provide college students with a platform to deliberate the state of higher education, tap into their own experiences as Florida students, and recommend ways the system can be improved. During the conference students will present their initial ideas for reform, hear from guest speakers, and develop policy recommendations focused on improving student retention and completion rates. Specific topics include improving financial aid, improving access and completion for STEM majors, building a college completion culture on campuses, and improving system productivity. Students will present their ideas, refine them through debate, and present their final recommendations during student-led press conferences at their home campuses. Following the press conferences, students will then present their proposals and ideas to university and college administration and officials. Students participating in the FSEP conference were selected through a competitive application process. For more information on the Florida Student Education Policy Conference, visit: [www.floridaeducationnetwork.org](http://www.floridaeducationnetwork.org)

**EVENT Details:**

**WHAT:**  4th Annual Florida Student Education Policy Conference  
**WHEN:**  February 23-26, 2012  
**WHERE:**  University of South Florida, Tampa  

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