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## **National Entrepreneurship Week CHALLENGE Entrepreneurship EMPOWERS Everyone!**

Columbus, OH. The Nation is challenged to consider how "Entrepreneurial Skills Building" is essential to our future. In honor of the third annual National Entrepreneurship Week, the Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education is pleased to present "**Entrepreneurship EMPOWERS Everyone, A Proposal for Entrepreneurial Skills Building**". This proposal is about recognizing that entrepreneurship is the force that created the strongest economy in the world and needs champions now. The skills connected to making the "right decisions" for entrepreneurial success can and should be experienced and learned throughout education. It must also be recognized that entrepreneurial skills can be used in any workplace, not just when operating one's own business.

During National Entrepreneurship Week the Consortium asks that each of us stand up for the freedoms provided in this nation that enable every citizen in the United States to use entrepreneurial skills in their everyday lives including, if they choose, starting their own businesses; to succeed or fail based on the decisions they make; and if they fail, to be able to try again as many times as it takes to succeed.

### **"The entrepreneurs of tomorrow are in our schools today"!**

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**What is National Entrepreneurship Week?** On February 21 - 28, 2009, the [Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education](http://www.entre-ed.org) will sponsor the 3rd annual **National Entrepreneurship Week**, a Celebration of the heritage of entrepreneurship in America and **NEW** opportunities for a **NEW GENERATION!** In 2006 the US Congress established the need for celebration of National Entrepreneurship Week as a celebration of American

entrepreneurs and the lifelong learning educational opportunities that prepare the NEW business leaders of the future. Read the entire resolution here [http://www.nationaleweek.org/eweek\\_files/HR699Congress.pdf](http://www.nationaleweek.org/eweek_files/HR699Congress.pdf)

**About The Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education.** We are a national membership organization composed of 100+ agencies and institutions supporting entrepreneurship education as a lifelong learning process. Member organizations represent over 40,000 teachers that annually reach at least 2 million students nationwide. Our mission is to incorporate entrepreneurship education within all disciplines, to infuse students with the entrepreneurial mindset, and encourage our members to work together to create educational opportunities to meet the demands of a global economy. We believe that entrepreneurs are not “born”, but rather they “become” through the experiences of their lives. Learn more about the Consortium's [Mission](#) and [White Paper](#). The Consortium publishes a quarterly newsletter "*EntrepreNews & Views*". [Current Issue](#) and a magazine for student entrepreneurs entitled "*Future CEO Stars*"  [<www.futureCEOStars.com>](http://www.futureCEOStars.com)

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