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LAST HOPE: HOW CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PREVENTS DROPOUT

GRADUATION RATES

✘ As of 2009

+ Texas- 80.6%

✘ White- 89.7%

✘ Asian- 92.4%

✘ African American- 73.8%

✘ Hispanic- 73.5%

✘ Economically Disadvantaged- 78.3%

+ National-74.7%

As the years progress, the issue of student attrition becomes an ever-present, and seemingly catastrophic, issue in the American education system; particularly in urban school settings. We, as educators, have to find ways to ensure that students not only complete school, but become successful citizens as well.

DROPOUT PREVENTIONS

- ✘ Build Relationships
- ✘ Parent and Student Education
- ✘ Increase Rigor
- ✘ Culturally Responsive Teaching
- ✘ Motivate Students

STATISTICS

× CTE vs All Students

+ Texas

- × 2010- CTE-91.5% All-84.3%
- × 2009- CTE-87.5% All- 80.6%
- × 2008- CTE-85.5% All- 79.1%

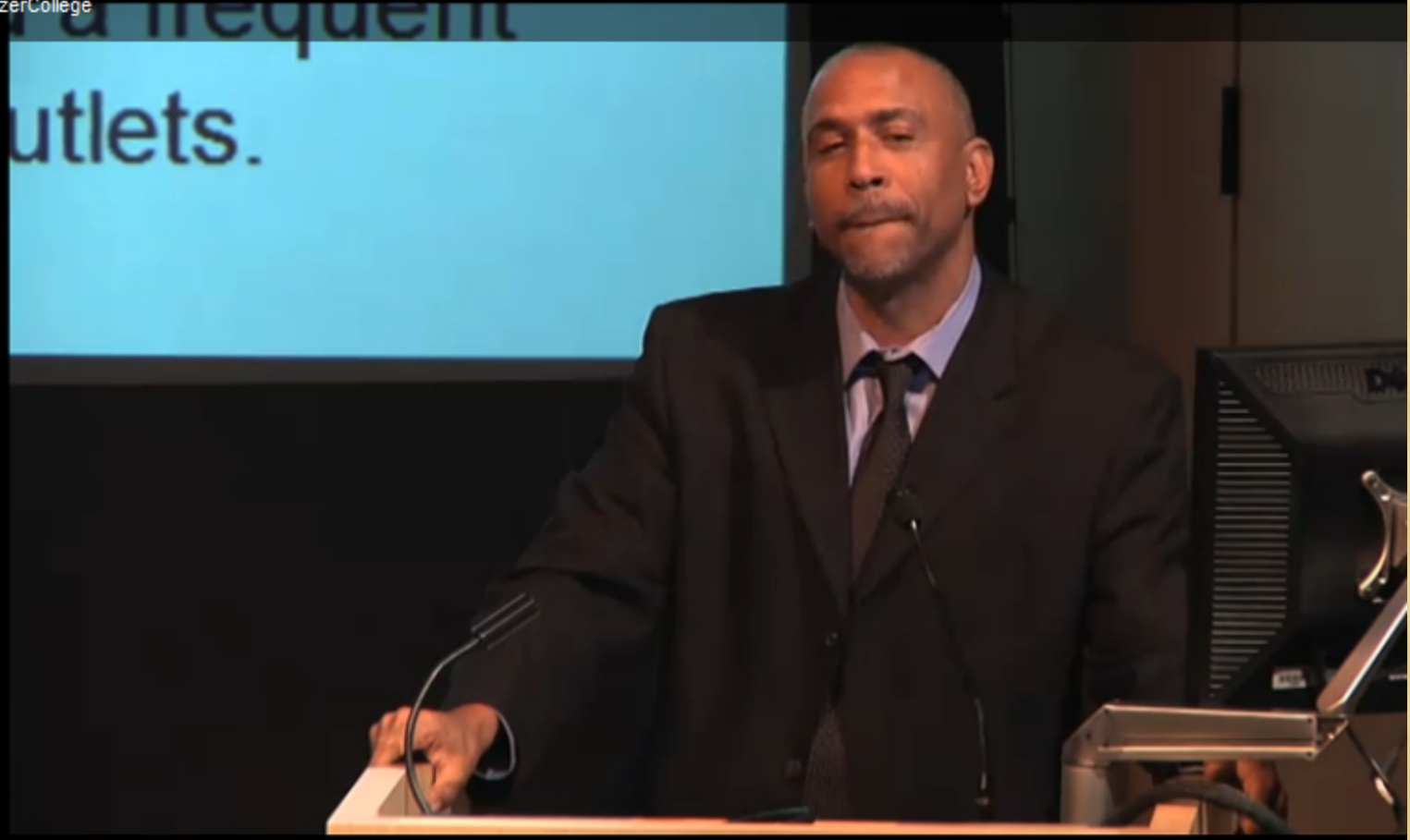
FACTS

- ✘ Texas dropout rate is unevenly distributed among racial/ethnic groups and genders. (Texas Education Agency, 2009)
- ✘ 81% of students said “real-world learning (internships, service learning projects, ect.)” would have increased their chances of graduating. (Bridgeland, 2006)
- ✘ Students who begin CTE curriculum in middle school are less likely to drop out of high school. (Plank, DeLuca, & Estacion, 2008)

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QUESTIONS



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