



Learning from education bright spots from across the country can help to inform and inspire our local practices, approaches, and partnerships. This past quarter, the [Raising of Fort Worth](#) began a “National Learning Tour” to bring best practices in early education right to our backyard. [Tulsa, OK](#), and [Denver, CO](#) were the first two communities to travel to Fort Worth to share their stories. We are grateful for the opportunity to highlight these communities’ successes and valuable lessons learned as we continue forward in our early education collective impact work in Fort Worth.

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 The Early Learning Alliance (ELA) continues moving the needle on child outcomes through its latest action plan.  
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**Raising of Fort Worth Highlights Tulsa, OK**  
 A panel from Tulsa, OK, kicked off Raising of Fort Worth’s national learning tour in early education best practices.  
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