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This Week in Washington, a weekly publication of BWP, provides an overview of upcoming events in Washington, D.C. affecting American education. Please use the bookmarks below to navigate to your area of interest.

Weekly Calendar

Key: E&S – Elementary & Secondary; H – Higher Education; D – Disability Policy

Monday, March 19, 2018
Sexual Assault of College Students with Disabilities (H, D)
Subject: Senator Bob Casey (D-PA), Senator Maggie Hassan (D-NH), and The National Council on Disability (NCD) will hold a panel discussion on campus sexual assault research & NCD’s findings and recommendations to Congress
Participants: Wendy S. Harbour, council member and director, National Center for College Students with Disabilities; Ana Torres-Davis, attorney-advisor, NCD; and Anne Hedgepeth, interim vice president of public policy and government relations, American Association of University Women (AAUW).
Time and Location: 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.; Capitol Visitor Center, HVC 268, Congressional Meeting Room North.
Contact: RSVP to pball@ncd.gov.

Tuesday, March 20, 2018
House Appropriations Subcommittee Hearing on FY2019 Education Department Budget (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The House Labor, Health and Human Service and Education Appropriations Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the FY2019 budget request for the Department of Education.
Witness: Betsy DeVos, Secretary, U.S. Department of Education.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2358-C Rayburn HOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.225.2771.
Sexual Assault on Campus: Students’ Civil Rights under Title IX (H, D)
**Subject:** The Leadership Conference Education Fund will hold a webinar to discuss the rights that students have, and the obligations schools have, to prevent and respond to sexual violence and to protect students’ educational opportunity under Title IX, and the actions advocates can take to ensure that schools are safe and welcoming places for all students to learn.
**Participants:** Liz King, director of education policy, The Leadership Conference Education Fund; Alexandra Brodsky, fellow, National Women’s Law Center; Anne Hedgepeth, interim vice president of public policy and government relations, American Association of University Women (AAUW); and Paul Cange, field assistant, The Leadership Conference Education Fund.
**Time:** 12:30 p.m.
**Contact:** RSVP [Here](#).

Democratic Forum on School Safety (E&S, H, D)
**Subject:** Democratic Caucus leadership will host a forum to examine issues of school climate, school safety, and violence prevention. Attendees are invited to hear from and question experts and practitioners on research and best practices around promoting improved school climate through evidence-based preventative measures.
**Participants:** Betsy DeVos, Secretary of Education (invited); Representative Bobby Scott (D-VA), ranking member, Committee on Education and the Workforce; Representative Nancy Pelosi (D-CA); House Democratic Leader; Representative Steny Hoyer (D-MD), House Democratic Minority Whip; Representative Ted Deutch (D-FL); and Representative Elizabeth Esty (D-CT).
**Time and Location:** 2:00 p.m.; U.S. Capitol Visitor Center, HVC-215.
**Contact:** RSVP to Stephanie Lalle at EdLaborPress@mail.house.gov.

Wednesday, March 21, 2018
**Higher Education Policy Forum (H)**
**Subject:** The Education Commission of the States will host an event to discuss reauthorization of the Higher Education Act (HEA) and the heightened attention on workforce issues relating to higher education.
**Participants:** Senator Tim Kaine (D-VA); Steve Gunderson, former representative (R-WI); Wil Del Pilar, The Education Trust; Michelle Sager, National Governors Association; Ranjit Sidhu, National Council for Community and Education Partnerships; Zakiya Smith, Lumina Foundation; Brian Sponsler, Education Commission of the States; and Sarah Spreitzer, American Council on Education.
**Time and Location:** 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; Grand Hyatt Washington, 1000 H Street, NW, Washington, D.C.
**Contact:** RSVP [Here](#).

2018 Samuel Halperin Lecture and Youth Award (E&S, H, D)
**Subject:** The American Youth Policy Forum (AYPF) and the Institute for Educational Leadership (IEL) will host an event to recognize young people who demonstrate the spirit of and commitment to public service with the awarding of the Samuel Halperin Lecture and Youth Award and reflect on the efforts of continuous improvement of education and youth policy.
**Participants:** Dr. Ronald Ferguson, adjunct lecturer of public policy, Harvard Kennedy School of Government.
**Time and Location:** 9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.; Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, 2660 Woodley Road, NW, Washington, D.C.
**Contact:** RSVP [Here](#).

Hearing on President’s Economic Report (E&S, H, D)
**Subject:** The Senate Budget Committee will hold a hearing on the Economic Report of the President.
**Witness:** Kevin Hassett, chairman, Council of Economic Advisers.
**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m.; 608 Dirksen SOB.
**Contact:** For inquiries on the hearing, contact:

Attainment of Postsecondary Degree Goals (E&S, H)
**Subject:** ETS will host a panel discussion based on a new report, “Challenges and Opportunities in Achieving the National Postsecondary Degree Attainment Goals.”
**Participants:** Michael Nettles, senior vice president and Edmund W. Gordon chair, Policy Evaluation and Research Center, ETS; Almarie Munley, founder and board member, Latino Advisory Committee, Faith and Education Coalition, National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference; Ahniwake Rose, executive
director, National Indian Education Association; and Ivory Toldson, president and CEO, Quality Education for Minorities Network.

**Time and Location:** 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.; Lunch provided. ETS, 1800 M Street, NW, Suite 425 South, Washington, D.C.

**Contact:** RSVP Here.

**Thursday, March 22, 2018**

**Using Data to Drive Innovation in Higher Education (H)**

**Subject:** Results for America will host an event to discuss how federal policy can support innovative and evidence-based approaches to improving student outcomes.

**Participants:** Lanae Erickson Hatalsky, vice president of social policy & politics, Third Way; Greg Johnson, CEO, Bottom Line; James Kvaal, president, The Institute for College Access and Success; Michael J. Weiss, senior associate, MDRC; Michele McLaughlin, president, Knowledge Alliance; Nicole Truhe, director of government affairs, America Forward; and Jeremy Ayers, vice president of policy, Results for America.

**Time and Location:** 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.; Capitol Visitors Center, SVC 212.

**Contact:** RSVP Here.

**The Impact of Public Schools (E&S, H, D)**

**Subject:** The American Academy of Political and Social Science (AAPSS) and the American Educational Research Association (AERA) will host a policy forum to discuss what researchers have learned about inequality and educational opportunity since the Coleman Report, and will examine new empirical work on the effects of schools on the life chances of underserved youth, and address connections to policy and practice.

**Participants:** Kenya Downs, Public Radio International (Moderator); Prudence Carter, University of California, Berkeley; Heather Hill, Harvard University; Margot Jackson, Brown University; and Sean Reardon, Stanford University.

**Time and Location:** 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.; 385 Russell SOB.

**Contact:** RSVP Here.

**Friday, March 23, 2018**

**Policy Forum on Impact of Political Climate on Education (E&S, H)**

**Subject:** IEL/AERA will hold a forum to discuss the contemporary political climate on education advocacy.

**Participants:** Naric Rome, vice president, Government Affairs and Arts Education, Americans for Arts (moderator); Matt de Feranti, legislative director, National Indian Education Association; Kimberly Jones, vice president, Public Policy and Communications; Council for Opportunity in Education; and John Laughner, manager, Legislation and Communication; Magnet Schools of America.

**Time and Location:** 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Lunch provided. IEL, 4301 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 100, Washington, D.C.

**Contact:** RSVP by March 21 Here.

**School Violence, Safety, and Well-Being: A Comprehensive Approach (E&S, H)**

**Subject:** The National Prevention Science Coalition (NPSC) will hold a briefing to discuss school violence and comprehensive solutions to preventing incidents like school shootings from happening in the future.

**Participants:** Dr. John Roman, co-director, National Prevention Science Coalition; Dr. Ron Avi Astor, University of Southern California; Dr. David Osher, American Institutes for Research; Dr. Dewey Cornell, University of Virginia; and Dr. David Schoenfeld, University of Southern California.

**Time and Location:** 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.; 2200 Rayburn HOB.

**Contact:** RSVP Here.
Subject: The Council of State Governments Justice Center and American Youth Policy Forum will hold a webinar to discuss a new brief on “Leveraging the Every Student Succeeds Act to Improve Outcomes for Youth in Juvenile Justice Facilities.”

Participants: Jenna Tomasello, policy associate, American Youth Policy Forum (Moderator); Nina Salomon, project manager, Corrections and Reentry, Council of State Government’s Justice Center; Derek Grubbs, director of juvenile education, Indiana Department of Correction; and Jesse Kannam, research policy assistant, American Youth Policy Forum.

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Contact: RSVP Here.

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Free Speech on College Campuses (H)
Subject: The Cato Institute will hold a discussion titled “Speak Freely: Why Universities Must Defend Free Speech.”

Participants: John Samples, vice president, Cato Institute (Moderator); Keith Whittington, professor of politics, Princeton University; and Ilya Somin, professor of law, George Mason University.

Time and Location: 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; Cato Institute, Hayek Auditorium, 1000 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.

Contact: RSVP Here.

On The Floor This Week

Senate Floor:
H.R.1865 – Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017
Legislation Making Further Appropriations for FY2018

House Floor:
Legislation Making Further Appropriations for FY2018
H.R. 4566 – Alleviating Stress Test Burdens to Help Investors Act
H.R. 4061 – Financial Stability Oversight Council Improvement Act of 2017
Possible Consideration of H.R. 5247 – Trickett Wendler, Frank Mongiello, Jordan McLinn, and Matthew Bellina Right to Try Act of 2018

Bills to Watch

FY 2018 APPROPRIATIONS

Continuing Resolutions (CR)

Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018. (2/09/18 Signed by President Trump; 2/09/18 Passed by the House of Representatives; 2/09/18 Passed by the Senate)

H.R.195 Sponsor: Rep. Steve Russell (R-OK)
Extension of Continuing Appropriations Act FY2018 until February 8, 2018. (1/22/18 Signed by President Trump; 1/22/18 Passed by the House of Representatives; 1/22/18 Passed by the Senate)

H.R. 1370 Sponsor: Rep. Michael McCaul (R-TX)
Making further continuing appropriations for FY 2018 until January 19, 2018. (12/22/17 Signed by President Trump; 12/21/17 Passed by the House of Representatives; 12/21/17 passed by the Senate)

Making further continuing appropriations for FY 2018 until December 22, 2017. (12/8/17 Signed by President Trump; 12/7/17 Passed by the House of Representatives; 12/7/17 passed by the Senate)

Making further continuing appropriations for FY 2018 until December 8, 2017. (9/8/17 Signed by President Trump; 9/8/17 Passed by the House of Representatives; 9/7/17 passed by the Senate)

Omnibus Appropriations
H.R. 3354  Sponsor: Rep. Ken Calvert (R-CA)
Make America Secure and Prosperous Appropriations Act, 2018 (FY 2018 Omnibus Appropriations Act) (9/14/17 Passed by House of Representatives)

Budget Resolutions
FY 2018 House Budget Resolution (10/5/17 Passed by House of Representatives; 7/19/17 Passed by Budget Committee)

S.Con.Res.25  Sponsor: Sen. Mike Enzi (R-WY)
FY 2018 Senate Budget Resolution (10/19/2017 Passed by Senate; 10/5/2017 Passed by Budget Committee)

Appropriations Bills
H.R. 3267  Sponsor: Rep. John Culberson (R-TX)

S. 1662  Sponsor: Sen. Richard Shelby (R-AL)

H.R. 3358  Sponsor: Rep. Tom Cole (R-OK)
Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act of FY 2018 (7/19/17 Passed by Appropriations Committee; 7/13/17 Passed by Subcommittee)

S. 1771  Sponsor: Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO)
Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act of FY 2018 (9/7/17 Passed by Appropriations Committee; 9/6/17 Passed by Subcommittee)

H.R. 3354  Sponsor: Rep. Ken Calvert (R-CA)
Interior and Environment Appropriations Act of FY 2018 (9/14/17 Passed by House; 7/18/17 Passed by Appropriations Committee; 7/12/17 Passed by Subcommittee)

HIGHER EDUCATION REAUTHORIZATION ACT
H.R. 4508  Sponsor: Representative Virginia Foxx (R-NC)
Promoting Real Opportunity, Success, and Prosperity through Education Reform (PROSPER) Act (12/13/17 Passed by House Education & Workforce Committee)

CARL D. PERKINS CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT
H.R. 2353  Sponsor: Representative Glenn Thompson (R-PA)
Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (6/22/17 Passed House of Representatives; 6/7/17 Passed by Education & Workforce Committee)

JUVENILE JUSTICE DELINQUENCY PREVENTION ACT
H.R. 1809  Sponsors: Representatives Jason Lewis (R-MN) and Bobby Scott (D-VA)
Juvenile Justice Reform Act of 2017 (5/23/17 Passed by the House; 4/4/17 Passed by Education & Workforce Committee)

S.860  Sponsors: Senators Chuck Grassley (R-IA) and Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Reauthorization Act of 2017 (8/1/17 Passed by the Senate; 8/1/17 Discharged by the Judiciary Committee; 4/5/17 Introduced)

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