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Weekly Calendar

MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2014
NONE.

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2014
NONE.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2014
College Accreditation
Subject: The Cato Institute will hold a forum, “College Accreditation in the Crosshairs,” to discuss the soaring prices of higher education and the postsecondary models that threaten to replace traditional colleges and universities.
Participants: Judith Eaton, President, Council for Higher Education; Andrew Kelly, Director, Center on Higher Education Reform, American Enterprise Institute (AEI); Doug Lederman, Editor, Inside Higher Ed; Vance Fried, Riata Professor of Entrepreneurship, Oklahoma State University and Adjunct Scholar, Cato Institute; Sally Johnstone, Vice President for Academic Advancement, Western Governors University; Jeff Martineau, Managing Partner, Higher Education Partners; Eric Kelderman, Staff Reporter, Chronicle of Higher Education; and Neal McCluskey, Association Director for the Center for Educational Freedom, Cato Institute.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.; Cato Institute, 1000 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

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Contact: Register at: http://www.cato.org/events/college-accreditation-crosshairs.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014
NONE.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2014
President’s Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence Meeting
Subject: The President’s Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for African Americans will hold an open meeting.
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ Auditorium, Washington, DC.
Contact: To RSVP contact Kimberly Watkins-Foote at kimberly.watkins-foote@ed.gov.

On The Floor This Week

Senate Floor:
The Senate will be in recess until April 28.

House Floor:
The House will be in recess until April 28.

Bills to Watch

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT (ESEA)
S. 1094   Sponsor: Sen. Tom Harkin (D-IA)
Strengthening American Schools Act of 2013 to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (6/12/13 passed by Senate HELP Committee)

Student Success Act to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (6/19/13 passed by House Ed and Workforce Committee)

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA)
H.R. 803   Sponsor: Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-NC)
Supporting Knowledge and Investing in Lifelong Skills Act (3/15/13 passed by House; 3/6/13 passed by House Education and the Workforce Committee)

S. 1356   Sponsor: Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)
Workforce Investment Reauthorization Act (7/31/13 passed by Senate HELP Committee)

Links for Up-to-Date Information on Hearings, Legislation, and Events

U.S. House of Representatives 2013 Schedule:
http://majorityleader.gov/calendar/113thCongressFirstSession.pdf
U.S. Senate 2013 Schedule:
http://www.senate.gov/pagelayout/legislative/one_item_and_teasers/2013_schedule.htm
U.S. Senate Budget Committee: http://www.budget.senate.gov
U.S. House Budget Committee: http://www.house.gov/budget
Congressional Budget Office: http://www.cbo.gov
Federal legislative information: http://thomas.loc.gov

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