This Week in Washington

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Weekly Calendar

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

Monday, April 23, 2018
None.

Tuesday, April 24, 2018
HELP Executive Session (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee will hold an executive session to markup S.2680, Opioid Crisis Response Act of 2018, and consider the nomination of Jon Parrish Peede for Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 430 Dirksen SOB.
Contact: Watch Live Here.

Webinar on Implementing the President’s STEM and Computer Science Executive Order (E&S, H)
Subject: U.S. Department of Education will host a webinar regarding FY2018 funding opportunities at the Department for K-12 STEM/Computer Science education.
Time: 11:30 a.m.
Contact: RSVP Here.
Wednesday, April 25, 2018
Discussion on HEA Reauthorization (H)

Subject: The Institute for College Access & Success (TICAS) will host a panel discussion on proposals for education loan repayment plan design and implications.
Participants: James Kvaal, president, TICAS; Colleen Campbell, associate director of postsecondary education, Center for American Progress; Diane Cheng, associate research director, TICAS; Matthew Chingos, director of education policy, Urban Institute; and Chuck Knepfle, associate vice president for enrollment management, Clemson University.

Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; SVC 202, Capitol Visitor Center.
Contact: RSVP Here.

Three Hoover Fellows on NAEP, A Nation at Risk, and the Future of Education Reform (E&S, H, D)

Subject: The Hoover Institution, the Thomas B. Fordham Institute, and Education Next will hold a panel discussion on education reform’s progress since the 1980s, as well as an examination of what the latest National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) scores mean for America’s future economic growth.
Participants: Amber M. Northern, senior vice president for research, Thomas B. Fordham Institute; Chester E. Finn, Jr.; senior fellow, Hoover Institution and distinguished senior fellow and president emeritus, Thomas B. Fordham Institute; Eric Hanushek, senior fellow, Hoover Institution; and Paul E. Peterson; senior fellow, Hoover Institution, Henry Lee Shattuck professor of government, Harvard University, and senior editor, Education Next.

Time and Location: 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., The Hoover Institution, 1399 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 500, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

House Appropriations Subcommittee Hearing on the Workforce Pipeline (E&S, H)

Subject: The House Appropriations Labor-HHS-Education Subcommittee will hold a hearing titled, "FY2019 - Pipeline to the Workforce."
Witnesses: Tom Friedemann, superintendent and CEO, Francis Tuttle Technology Center, OK; Maria Coons, vice president of workforce and strategic alliances, Harper College, IL; G. David Sload, president and CEO, Associated Builders and Contractors, Keystone Chapter, PA; and Portia Wu, director of workforce policy, Microsoft Corporation.

Time and Location: 2:00 p.m.; 2358-C Rayburn HOB.
Contact: Watch Live Here.

Thursday, April 26, 2018

Education Matters: Investing in America’s Future (E&S, H, D)

Subject: The Committee for Education Funding (CEF) will host an event to release the annual CEF Budget Book analyzing the President’s FY2019 budget request and federal funding for education.
Participants: Linda Palenchar, Ed.D., director of preschool programs and special education, Fayette County Schools WV; Melissa Smith, criminal justice teacher, U.S. Grant High School, OK; Andrew Sund, Ph.D., president, Heritage University. WA; Amanda Voce, president, Alabama Association for Public and Continuing Adult Education, AL; and Sindy Dawkins-Schade, president, SHADES of Development, TN.

Time and Location: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; 124 Dirksen SOB.
Contact: RSVP Here.

FY2019 Budget: House LHHS and ED Public Witness Hearing (E&S, H, D)

Subject: The House Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee will hold a Public Witness Hearing on programmatic funding levels for FY2019.
Participants: Witness list [here](#).
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2358-C Rayburn HOB.
Contact: Watch Live [Here](#).

**Senate Homeland Security Committee Oversight Hearing on Protecting Child Immigrants from Abuse (E&S, H, D)**

**Subject:** The Senate Homeland Security Committee will hold an oversight hearing on Health and Human Services and Homeland Security efforts to protect unaccompanied immigrant children from human trafficking and abuse.


**Time and Location:** 10:00 a.m.; 342 Dirksen SOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.224.4751.

**FY2019 Budget: House Appropriations Subcommittee Hearing on DOJ Budget (E&S, H)**

**Subject:** The House Appropriations Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Subcommittee will hold a hearing on "FY2019 Department of Justice."

**Witness:** Jeff Sessions, Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice.

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m.; 2359 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: Watch Live [Here](#).

**Friday, April 27, 2018**

None.

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**Future Hearings and Events**

**Tuesday, May 1, 2018**

**Keys to ESSA Implementation (E&S, H, D)**

**Subject:** Education Week will host online "discussion" booths on a host of topics, including details of the *Every Student Succeeds Act* (ESSA); its impact on teacher policy; testing and assessments; how schools and districts are meeting the law's demands for data and transparency; what ESSA means for minority students, English-learners, and those with disabilities; and market opportunities and challenges for the business sector as educators move to meet ESSA's requirements.

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
**Contact:** Register [Here](#).

**Thursday, May 3, 2018**

**From College to Life: Relevance and the Value of Higher Education (H)**

**Subject:** Strada and Gallup will host an event to discuss how the career relevance of courses and experiences significantly impacts consumer perceptions of higher education's value.

**Participants:** Jeremy Anderson, president, Education Commission of the States; Sarah Bauder, chief transformation officer, Society of Human Resource Management; Brandon Busteed, executive director, education and workforce development, Gallup; Carol D'Amico, executive vice president, Mission Advancement and Philanthropy, Strada Education Network; Dr. Mildred Garcia, president, American Association of State Colleges and Universities; Bill Hansen, president and CEO, Strada Education Network; Scott Jaschik, CEO and editor, Inside Higher Ed; Cheryl Oldham, vice president of education policy, U.S. Chamber of Commerce; and Michael Sorrell, president, Paul Quinn College.

**Time and Location:** 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Gallup World Headquarters, 901 F Street, NW, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

**Webinar: New Leaders and NASBE: School Leadership and School Improvement (E&S, H)**

**Subject:** New Leaders and the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) will host on a webinar on “School Leadership and School Improvement.”

**Participants:** Paul Fleming, assistant commissioner, Tennessee Department of Education; Paul Katnik, assistant commissioner, Office of Educator Equality, Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; Vic Lenz, vice president, Missouri SBE; Don Long, director of teaching, leading, and learning, NASBE; Sarah Rosenberg, senior director of policy, New Leaders; and Brenda Turnbull, principal, Policy Studies Associates.

**Time:** 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Contact: RSVP Here.

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### On The Floor This Week

**Senate Floor:**
Votes on various nominations

**House Floor:**
Joint session of Congress to receive Emmanuel Macron, President of the Republic of France.
- H.R. 4 – FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018
- H.R. 3144 – To provide for operations of the Federal Columbia River Power System pursuant to a certain operation plan for a specified period of time, and for other purposes

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### Bills to Watch

**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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