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Weekly Calendar

Monday, May 1, 2017
None.

Tuesday, May 2, 2017

College and Career Pathways

Subject: The Senate Career and Technical Education Caucus in conjunction with the Alliance for Excellent Education will host a briefing, “College and Career Pathways: Stories of Innovation.” The panel will discuss issues such as the latest findings on secondary and postsecondary outcomes of students who participate in high-quality college and career pathways; implementation efforts in a rural California school district; the role of business and industry in supporting college and career pathways; and more.

Participants: Christopher Cabaldon, Mayor, City of West Sacramento, CA and chair, Jobs, Education, and the Workforce Committee, United States Conference of Mayors (Moderator); Cynthia Brown, director of student pathways, Porterville Unified School District, CA; Sarah Steinberg, vice president of global philanthropy, JP Morgan Chase & Co.; Bill Taylor, vice president of community engagement, NAF; and Seraiya Wright, undergraduate student, Community Health Education Major, Howard University.

Time and Location: 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.; 430 Dirksen SOB.

Contact: Register here by May 1.

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

None.

Thursday, May 4, 2017

National Poll on Public Education
Subject: The Leadership Conference Education Fund will hold a webinar to discuss the findings of the 2nd Annual “New Education Majority” National Poll. The poll, conducted by Anzalone Liszt Grove Research provides a window into the view that Black and Latino parents and families have about how well the education system serves their children. Findings also explore aspirations that parents have for their children’s futures and the expectations they have of schools to help their children succeed.

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Contact: Register here.

Friday, May 5, 2017
None.

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Future Hearings and Events

Monday, May 8, 2017
Congressional Reform
Subject: The American Enterprise Institute (AEI) will hold an event, “Is Congress Broken?” Discussion will focus on reforms to increase the effectiveness of Congress and what should be done to reevaluate the standard for judging congressional reform.

Participants: Gary Schmitt, resident scholar, AEI; William F. Connelly, Jr, professor, Washington and Lee University; Kathryn L. Pearson, professor, University of Minnesota; Jonathan Rauch, senior fellow, Brookings Institution; and Donald Wolfensberger, former staff director, US House Committee on Rules.

Time and Location: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; AEI, 1789 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

Contact: Register here.

Tuesday, May 9, 2017
National Science Board Meeting
Subject: The National Science Foundation’s (NSF) Board of Directors will hold its quarterly two-day meeting from May 9-10. Meeting sessions are open to the public unless otherwise specified.

Time and Location: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. May 9-10; NSF, 4201 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA.

Contact: RSVP to nationalsciencebrd@nsf.gov with your name and affiliation to secure a visitor’s badge. Access more information here.

Thursday, May 11, 2017
Perception of Higher Education
Subject: New America will hold an event, “Varying Degrees: How America Perceives Higher Education.” The event will focus on both perceptions of higher education in America, as well as the implications of these findings for students, institutional leaders and policymakers.

Participants: Rachel Fishman, senior policy analyst, New America; Jemiscoe Chambers-Black, student, Southern New Hampshire University; Lindsay Shurtleff, student, Northern Virginia Community College; Ariel Ventura-Lazo, student, Northern Virginia Community College; Danielle Douglas-Gabriel, reporter, Washington Post; José Luis Cruz, president, CUNY-Lehman; Cheryl Oldham, vice president of education policy, U.S. Chamber of Commerce; Scott Ralls, president, Northern Virginia Community College; Deborah Santiago, chief operating officer and vice president for policy, Excelencia in Education; Rob Nabors, director, U.S. Policy, Advocacy and Communications, The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Time and Location: 9:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.; New America, 740 15th Street, NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC.

Contact: Register here.
**On The Floor This Week**

**Senate Floor:**
The Senate will consider and vote on the nomination of Jay Clayton to be Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Consideration of Legislation Making Further Appropriations for FY 2017

**House Floor:**
H.R. 1180 – Working Families Flexibility Act of 2017

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**Bills to Watch**

**FY 2017 APPROPRIATIONS**

H.R. 244 – Hire Vets Act [Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017] (3/21/17 Passed by the Senate; 2/13/17 Passed by the House)

H.J.Res. 99 – Making Further Continuing Appropriations for FY2017 and for other purposes until May 5, 2017 (4/28/17 Signed by the President; Passed by the House; Passed by the Senate)

S.Con.Res 3 – FY 2017 Concurrent Budget Resolution (1/13/17 Passed by the House; 1/12/17 Passed by the Senate)

H.R. 2028 - FY 2017 Further Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act (12/9/16 Signed by President and Passed by the Senate; 12/18/16 Passed by the House)

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U.S. House Committee on Education and the Workforce
U.S. Senate Budget Committee
U.S. House Budget Committee
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