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MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2014
Postsecondary Education and Enrollment
Subject: The American Youth Policy Forum (AYPF) and the American Institutes for Research (AIR) will host a webinar, “Predictors of Postsecondary Success: Tools Focused on Postsecondary Enrollment and Completion,” to discuss student skills, behaviors and other characteristics that predict future academic and workplace success.
Participants: Becky Smerdon, Deputy Director, College and Career Readiness and Success Center, AIR; Bill DeBaun, Program Analyst, National College Access Network; MorraLee Keller, Director of Technical Assistance, National College Access Network; and June Giddings, Postsecondary Coach & GCPASS Program Coordinator, Houston A+ Challenge.
Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Contact: Register at: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/608628385.

TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2014
National Aeronautics and Space Administration Meeting
Subject: The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) will hold a meeting of the National Space-Based Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Advisory Board from June 3-4.
Time and Location: 8:30 a.m.; Omni Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert Street, NW, Washington, DC.
Contact: RSVP to James Miller at jj.miller@nasa.gov.
Senate Subcommittee Markup of Science, Commerce and Justice Appropriations Bill

Subject: The Senate Appropriations’ Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies will hold a markup of the Science, Commerce and Justice Appropriations bill.

Time and Location: 11:00 a.m.; 192 Dirksen SOB.

Contact: For inquiries about the markup call 202.224.7363.

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act

Subject: The National Skills Coalition (NSC) will host a webinar, “Unpacking WIOA,” to discuss the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) that reauthorizes the Workforce Investment Act.

Participants: Rachel Gragg, NSC; Neil Ridley, Center on Law and Social Policy; James Huettig, National Youth Employment Coalition; Jennifer Wang, Young Invincibles; and Rachel Zinn, Workforce Data Quality Campaign.

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Contact: Register at: https://www4.gotomeeting.com/register/926344111.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2014

Senate Student Loan Servicing Hearing

Subject: The Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs’ Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection will hold a hearing on “Student Loan Servicing: The Borrower’s Experience.”

Witnesses: Nancy Hoover, Director of Financial Aid, Denison University; Will Hubbard, Vice President of External Affairs, Student Veterans of America; and Robert Geremia, Social Studies Teacher, Wilson High School on behalf of the American Federation of Teachers and Washington Teachers Union.

Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 538 Dirksen SOB.

Contact: For inquiries about the hearing call 202.224.7391.

Senate Hearing on Student Loan Debt

Subject: The Senate Budget Committee will hold a hearing, “Impact of Student Loan Debt on Borrowers and the Economy.”

Witnesses: Rohit Chopra, Student Loan Ombudsman, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau; Brittany Jones, recent college graduate, Former President, Student Virginia Education Association; and Richard Vedder, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Economics and Faculty Associate, Contemporary History Institute, Ohio University.

Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 608 Dirksen SOB.

Contact: For inquiries about the hearing call 202.224.0642.

First In The World Initiative

Subject: The U.S. Department of Education (ED) will host an identical webinar to the one on May 28th, “First In the World Pre-Application Workshop,” to discuss the overview and purpose of the program, the eligibility requirements, the evidence of effectiveness, selection criteria and other relevant information.

Time: 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Contact: Register at: https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/340402978.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 2014

Senate Full Committee Markup of the Science, Commerce and Justice Appropriations Bill

Subject: The Senate Appropriation Committee will hold a markup of the Science, Commerce and Justice Appropriations bill.

Time and Location: 10:30 a.m.; 106 Dirksen SOB.

Contact: For inquiries about the markup call 202.224.7363.
FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2014

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On The Floor This Week

Senate Floor:
The Senate will vote on Sylvia Mathews Burwell’s appointment as Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services.

House Floor:
The House will be in recess until June 9.

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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)

H.R. 5
Sponsor: Rep. John Kline (R-MN)
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
Sponsors: Sens. Tom Harkin (D-IA); Patty Murray (D-WA), Lamar Alexander (R-TN); Johnny Isakson (R-GA)
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (the bipartisan, bicameral agreement) Amendment in the nature of a substitute (5/20/14 introduced)

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)

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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
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