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Weekly Calendar

Monday, September 14, 2015
None.

Tuesday, September 15, 2015
None.

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Innovative College Presidents

Subject: New America and Washington Monthly will host an event, “America’s Most Innovative College Presidents.”

Participants: Kevin Carey, director, Education Policy Program, New America; F. King Alexander, chancellor, Louisiana State University; Cheryl Hyman, chancellor, City Colleges of Chicago; Jamie P. Merisotis, president and CEO, Lumina Foundation; and Paul Glastris, editor in chief, Washington Monthly.

Time and Location: 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; 1899 L Street, NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC.
Contact: Register here.

National Service Programs
**Subject:** The Center for American Progress (CAP) will host an event, “Making the Case for National Service: Opportunities for Developing 21st Century Skills and Supporting Economic Growth.”

**Participants:** Senator Cory Booker (D-NJ); Neera Tanden, president, CAP; Jonathan Lavine, chair, City Year’s National Board of Trustees; Cecilia Muñoz, Assistant to the President, Director, Domestic Policy Council; and John Gomperts, president and CEO, America’s Promise Alliance.

**Time and Location:** 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.; 1333 H Street, NW, 10th Floor, Washington, DC.

**Contact:** Register here.

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**Thursday, September 17, 2015**

**Choosing Colleges**

**Subject:** New America will hold an event, “Choosing College: How We Can Help Students Make Better Decisions.”

**Participants:** Carolin Hagelskamp, director of research, New America; Rachel Fishman, senior policy analyst, New America; Kevin Fudge, manager of government relations and community affairs, American Student Assistance; John Pryor, principal, Pryor Education Insights; Carrie Warick, director of partnerships and policy, National College Access Network; and Libby Nelson, education reporter, Vox.

**Time and Location:** 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.; 1899 L Street, NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC.

**Contact:** Register here.

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**Friday, September 18, 2015**

None.

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**Future Hearings and Events**

**Tuesday, September 22, 2015**

**Building a Skilled Urban Workforce**

**Subject:** Politico will host an event, “What Works: Washington, DC,”

**Participants:** Karl Dean, Mayor, Nashville, TN; John King, deputy secretary, U.S. Department of Education; Karen Mills, former administrator, U.S. Small Business administration, senior fellow, Harvard University; and Margaret Raymond, director, Center for Research on Education Outcomes, Stanford University.

**Time and Location:** 8:00 a.m.; 640 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

**Contact:** Register here.

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**On The Floor This Week**

**Senate Floor:**

- [H.J.Res.61](#) – Motion related to proposed Iran nuclear agreement

**House Floor:**

- [H.R. 758](#) and [H.R. 348](#) – RAPID Act
- [H.R. 758](#) – Lawsuit Abuse Reduction Act of 2015
- [H.R. 3134](#) – Defund Planned Parenthood Act of 2015
- [H.R. ___](#) – Adding Criminal Penalties for Violating the Born Alive Act

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**Bills to Watch**

**APPROPRIATIONS**

**H.R.2578 Sponsor: Rep. John Culberson (R-TX)**

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


**S. 1645 Sponsor: Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)**

**H.R. # Sponsor: Rep. Tom Cole (R-OK)**
Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act of FY 2016 (6/24/15 Passed by Appropriations Committee; 6/17/2015 Passed by Subcommittee)

**S. 1695 Sponsor: Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO)**

**ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT (ESEA)**

**S. 1177 Sponsor: Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN)**
Every Child Achieves Act of 2015 (4/16/2015 Passed HELP Committee and moved to the Senate Legislative Calendar)

Student Success Act (2/27/2015 Debated and amended on the House Floor. A final vote is still pending; 2/11/15 Education and the Workforce Committee mark up.)

**EDUCATION SCIENCES REFORM ACT (ESRA)**

**S. 227 Sponsor: Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN)**
Strengthening Education through Research Act (2/04/2015 Passed HELP Committee)

**AMERICA COMPETES ACT**

**H.R. 1806 Sponsor: Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX)**
Links for Up-to-Date Information on Hearings, Legislation, and Events

U.S. House of Representatives 2015 Schedule
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U.S. House Committee on Education and the Workforce
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U.S. House Budget Committee
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