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This Week in Washington

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Weekly Calendar

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

Monday, November 15, 2021

Webinar: [A Bold Vision for the Registered Apprenticeship System \(E&S, H\)](#)

Subject: The Urban Institute will hold a virtual discussion on "Apprenticeship 2025: A Bold Vision for the Registered Apprenticeship System."

Participants: Eric M. Seleznow, senior adviser, Jobs for the Future; Diana Elliott, principal research associate, Urban Institute; Zach Boren, senior policy program manager, Urban Institute; John Ladd, administrator, U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Apprenticeship; Mukta Pandit, president and founder, Safal Partners; and Casandra Hockenberry, senior policy analyst, Council of State Governments.

Time: 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Contact: Register [here](#).

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

None.

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

Hearing: [House Ed and Labor Subcommittee on Implementation of COVID-19 Funds \(E&S, H, D\)](#)

Subject: The House Education and Labor Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education Subcommittee and Higher Education and Workforce Investment Subcommittee will hold a joint hearing on "Examining the Implementation of COVID-19 Education Funds."

Witnesses: Cindy Marten, deputy secretary of education, U.S. Department of Education; and James Kvaal, under secretary of education, U.S. Department of Education.

Time: 10:15 a.m.

Contact: Live stream available [here](#).

Thursday, November 18, 2021

Webinar: [Why College Completion Matters \(H\)](#)

Subject: Third Way will host a webinar to examine student retention and completion in the wake of Congress' investments in higher education during the COVID-19 pandemic and with the potential passage of the Build Back Better plan.

Participants: Jinann Bitar, director of research & data analytics, The Education Trust; Jennifer Brown, vice provost & dean of undergraduate education, University of California, Riverside; Tamara Hiler, director of Education, Third Way; Kevin Miller, associate director of higher education, Bipartisan Policy Center; and Sarah Reber, visiting fellow, The Brookings Institution.

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Contact: Register [here](#).

Friday, November 19, 2021

None.

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Consideration of nominees

House Floor:

Consideration of the Build Back Better Act

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COVID-19 Related Bills

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