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This Week in Washington, a weekly publication of WPLLC, provides an overview of upcoming events in Washington D.C. affecting American education. **Please use the bookmarks below to navigate to your area of interest.**

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Weekly Calendar

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MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2013

White House Science Fair (E&S)
Subject: The White House will hold a Science Fair to "celebrate the student winners of a broad range of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) competitions from across the country."
Participants: President Barack Obama and student science fair participants.
Time and Location: 2:25 p.m.; White House, East Room.
Contact: 202.456.2580; Live stream available at http:/www.whitehouse.gov/live.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2013

Work-Based Learning (E&S)
Subject: The Alliance for Excellent Education (AEE) will hold a webinar on, "The Role of Work-Based Learning in Preparing Students for College and a Career."
Participants: Mary Lou Erlacher, Director of Workplace Learning Connection, Kirkwood Community College, IA; Lisa Gillis, Chief Academic Officer, Junior Achievement USA; Jayne Salinger, Director of Special Projects, Bar Association of San Francisco; and Bob Wise, President, AEE.
Time and Location: 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Contact: Register at: http://media.all4ed.org/registration-apr-23-2013.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2013

Assessing Mark-Oriented Education Reform (E&S)

Subject: The Economic Policy Institute's Broader, Bolder Approach to Education, a national campaign that acknowledges the impact of social and economic disadvantage on schools and students and proposes evidence-based policies to improve schools and remedy conditions that limit many children's readiness to learn, will hold an event to release a new report on *Market-Oriented Education Reforms' Rhetoric Trumps Reality: The Impacts of Test-Based Teacher Evaluations, School Closures, and Increased Charter School Access on Student Outcomes in Chicago, New York City, and Washington, DC.*
Participants: Elaine Weiss, National Coordinator, Broader, Bolder Approach to Education (Moderator); Dr. Joshua Starr, Superintendent, Montgomery County Public Schools; Rep. Tim Walz (D-MN) (invited); and District of Columbia Public School Teacher (TBA).
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m..; The Economic Policy Institute, 1333 H Street, NW, 3rd Floor, Washington, DC.
Contact: RSVP to: **eweiss@epi.org** or **http://broaderbolderreport.eventbrite.com/#**.

College Affordability (H)
Subject: The House Education and Workforce Higher Education and Workforce Training Subcommittee will hold a hearing, "Keeping College Within Reach: Enhancing Transparency for Students, Families and Taxpayers."
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2175 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: **http://edworkforce.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=329074.**

HHS FY 2014 Budget (E&S)
Subject: The Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the FY 2014 budget for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).
Witness: Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary, HHS.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 138 Dirksen SOB.
Contact: **appropriations.senate.gov**.

NAEP: Economics (E&S)
Subject: The National Assessment Governing Board will hold a webinar to share the results of the Nation's Report Card: Economics 2012, Grade 12.
Participants: Jack Buckley, Commissioner, National Center for Education Statistics; Terry Mazany, President and CEO, The Chicago Community Trust; Nan Morrison, President and CEO, Council for Economic Education; Edward Alvarez, Assistant Principal, Thomas A. Edison Career & Technical Education High School; and Cornelia Orr, Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board (Moderator).
Time and Location: 11:00 a.m.
Contact: To register go to: **http://www.nagb.org/newsroom/naep-releases/2012-economics.html**.

The Undergraduate Access and Attainment Agenda (H)
Subject: The George Washington University Graduate School of Education and Human Development (GSEHD) and the American Institutes for Research (AIR) will host the third and final symposium in a series on what the national attainment agenda means for individuals, "The Undergraduate Access and Attainment Agenda: Helping Students Make Good Choices."
Participant: Ron Ehrenberg, GSEHD Visiting Senior Fellow and Director of the Cornell High Education Research Institute.
Time and Location: 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.; The George Washington University, GW Marvin Center, Room 407, 801 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC.
Contact: Register at: **http://gsehd-air.eventbrite.com**

Financial Literacy (E&S)
Subject: The Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Children and Families Subcommittee will hold a hearing on "The Economic Importance of Financial Literacy Education For Students."
Time and Location: 2:30 p.m.; 430 Dirksen SOB.
Contact: 202.224.5375; **help.senate.gov**.

Undergraduate Research (H)
Subject: The Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR) will host the 2013 Posters on the Hill reception to honor at least 60 undergraduate students from across the nation who will present their research.
Time and Location: 5:00 p.m.; B338, B339 and B340-B Rayburn HOB.
Contact: RSVP by April 23, 2013 to **rsvp@cur.org**.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2013

HHS FY 2014 Budget (E&S)
Subject: The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the FY 2014 budget for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).
Witness: Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary, HHS.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2358-C Rayburn HOB.
Contact: 202.225.2771; **appropriations.house.gov**.

Beyond Principal Supervision (E&S)
Subject: The University of Washington Center for Educational Leadership (CEL) will host a webinar on "Beyond Principal Supervision: How Central Offices Lead for Principal Performance."
Participants: Dr. Meredith I. Honig, Associate Professor, University of Washington; and Max Silverman, Associate Director, University of Washington Center for Educational Leadership.
Time and Location: 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Contact: Register at: **https://www4.gotomeeting.com/register/911286463**.

Digital Learning (E&S)
Subject: The Alliance for Excellent Education's Project 24 will hold a webinar on "Reaching the Whole Child and the Whole Community to Support Digital Learning: Strategies for Success" to discuss examples of how comprehensive, wraparound efforts to support students, families, and communities can contribute to a successful transition to personalized, learner-centered schooling powered by digital learning.
Participants: Terri Schwartzbeck, Senior Policy Associate, Alliance for Excellent Education; Rebecca McLelland-Crawley, Science Supervisor, West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District, NJ; Pam Moran, EdD, Superintendent, Albemarle County Public Schools, VA; and Lenny Schad, Chief Information Technology Officer, Houston Independent School District, TX.
Time and Location: 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Contact: Register at: **http://media.all4ed.org/registration-apr-25-2013**.

Afterschool in Action (E&S)
Subject: The Afterschool Alliance will host a webinar to release a new publication, *Afterschool in Action: Innovative Afterschool Programs Supporting Middle School Youth*, as well as discuss the Afterschool Innovator award selection process and hear helpful tips from past winners who were recognized for their outstanding programming that support arts enrichment, parent engagement and school improvement.
Time and Location: 3:00 p.m.
Contact: Register at:
http://www.afterschoolalliance.org/webinar/upcoming.cfm?utm_source=verticalresponse&utm_medium=email&utm_content=text-registernow&utm_campaign=webinar-MetLife-04-25-2013.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2013

The State of American Education (E&S)
Subject: The Thomas B. Fordham Institute will hold an event titled, "A Nation at Risk 30 Years Later: The State of American Education" to discuss what has changed in American education and American society- and what still needs to happen.
Participants: Chester E. Finn, Jr., President, Fordham Institute; and William Bennett, former US Secretary of Education.
Time and Location: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; Fordham Institute, 1016 16th Street, NW, 7th Floor, Washington, DC.
Contact: Register at: **http://www.edexcellence.net/events/a-nation-at-risk-30-years-later.html**.

Future Hearings and Events

MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2013

State's Role in Student's Deeper Learning (E&S)
Subject: The National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) will host a webinar to discuss how state policy can support deeper learning.
Participants: Pam Goins, Director, Center for Innovation and Transformation in Education, Council of State Governments; Bob Lenz, CEO and Executive Director, Envision Schools; Bob Wise, President, Alliance for Excellent Education; and Ace Parsi, Deeper Learning Project Specialist, NASBE.
Time and Location: 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Contact: Ace Parsi, AceP@nasbe.org

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2013

Afterschool STEM Impact Awards (E&S)
Subject: The Afterschool Alliance will host a webinar to discuss their intentions behind creating the Afterschool STEM Impact Awards, what they are looking for in the review process, and the definitions used for the award categories.
Time and Location: 1:00 p.m.
Contact: Register at: http://www.afterschoolalliance.org/webinar/createAccount.cfm?webinarID=D112C3E1-215A-A6B3-02E39AC9383DA411.

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2013

School Leaders and College- and Career-Ready Standards (E&S, H)
Subject: The Alliance for Excellent Education and the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) will host a briefing about the role of school leaders in creating a culture of high expectations that will help all students graduate from high school ready for college and a career.
Participants: Bill Knudsen, Education Policy Advisor for Minority Staff, Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP); Michael Gamel-McCormick, PhD, Senior K-12 Education Policy Advisor for Majority Staff, Senate HELP Committee; Mitchell Curry, Principal, Scott Morgan Johnson Middle School, TX; Robbie Hooker, PhD, Principal, Clarke Central High School, GA; Daniel Wiebers, Principal, Trenton R I-X High School, MO; and Bob Wise, President, Alliance for Excellent Education.
Time and Location: 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Lunch available at 11:30 a.m. and program begins promptly at 11:45 a.m.); 902 Hart SOB.
Contact: RSVP by Friday, April 26th to sgregg@wpllc.net.

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2013

National Children's Mental Health Awareness Week Legislative Briefing (E&S, D)
Subject: A legislative briefing will be held in honor of National Children's Mental Health Awareness Week.
Participants: Kana Enomoto, M.A., Principal Deputy Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; Dylan Zimdahl, Emerging Adult Initiative; Anthony P. Mannarino, Ph.D. Director, Center for Traumatic Stress in Children and Adolescents and Vice Chair, Department of Psychiatry, Allegheny General Hospital; and JoAnne M. Malloy, Clinical Assistant Professor, Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire.
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.; B-338 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: Contact elaine@bazelon.org for more information.

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S.743 – Marketplace Fairness Act

House
H.R. 1549 – Helping Sick Americans Now Act
H.R. 527 – Responsible Helium Administration and Stewardship Act

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Bills to Watch

FY2014 APPROPRIATIONS

S.Con.Res.8 *Sponsor: Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)*
Setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2014 (*3/23/13 passed by Senate; 3/14/13 passed by Senate Budget Committee)*

H.Con.Res.25 *Sponsor: Rep. Paul Ryan (R-WI)*
Establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2014 (*3/21/13 passed by House; 3/13/13 passed by House Budget Committee)*

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA)

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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U.S. House of Representatives 2013 Schedule:
http://majorityleader.gov/calendar/113thCongressFirstSession-Monthly.pdf
U.S. Senate 2013 Schedule
http://www.senate.gov/pagelayout/legislative/one_item_and_teasers/2013_schedule.htm
U.S. Department of Education: http://www.ed.gov
U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions: http://help.senate.gov
U.S. House Committee on Education and the Workforce: http://edworkforce.house.gov/
U.S. Senate Budget Committee: http://www.budget.senate.gov
U.S. House Budget Committee: http://www.house.gov/budget
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