



Washington Week

Register Today!

June 3 – 5, 2024 | Washington, DC

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Preliminary Agenda

(subject to change)

Monday, June 3

- 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. **Welcome Breakfast** – Salon 4
Lynn M. Gangone, President and CEO, AACTE
Marquita Grenot-Scheyer, Chair, AACTE Board of Directors
Christine Gentry, Chair, Advisory Committee on Government Relations
- 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. **Opening Keynote:** Special Assistant to the President for Education,
Jessica Cardichon – Salon 4
- 10:00 a.m. Holmes Scholars Depart for Meetings with Key Officials at NEA, NAACP,
Latinos for Education, Zero to Three, Human Rights Campaign, and U.S.
Department of Education
- 10:00 – 10:15 a.m. **Networking Break** – Pre-function Area
- 10:15 – 11:00 a.m. **New Federal Regulations Affecting EPPs: Q&A with U.S. Department of
Education** – Salon 4
Jacqueline King, Senior Consultant, AACTE
Antoinette Flores, Senior Policy Advisor, U.S. Department of Education
- 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. **Student Financing of Educator Preparation: TEACH Grants and Loan
Forgiveness** – Salon 4
Moderator: Michael Yudin, Principal, Raben
Michael DiNapoli, Deputy Director of Federal Policy, Learning Policy
Institute
Oksana Grybovych Hafermann, Chief of Staff, University of Northern
Iowa
Ronny Lau, Manager, Government Relations, National Education
Association

- 11:45 – 12:15 p.m. **Table Talk: Implications of Panel for Hill Visits** – Salon 4
- 12:15 – 1:00 p.m. **Networking Lunch** – Salon 4
- 12:15 – 5:00 p.m. **State Leaders Institute** – Studio D
- 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. **What’s It Really Like to Make Policy in Washington, DC? Round Robin Table Conversations** – Salon 4
- RJ Martin, Deputy Director and Counsel, House Committee on Education & the Workforce
 Moira Lenahan-Razzuri, Senior Policy Advisor, Senator Jack Reed (D-RI)
 Jonathon Fansmith, Senior Vice President, American Council on Education
- 2:30 – 2:45 p.m. **Networking Break** – Pre-function Area
- 2:45 – 3:45 p.m. **Policy Priorities in Education Technology: A Federal Perspective** – Salon 4
- Moderator: David Slykhuis, Chair, National Technology Leadership Summit
 Dominique Dallas, Federation of American Scientists Impact Fellow, U.S. Department of Education Office of Educational Technology
 Erin Mote, CEO and Founder, InnovateEDU
- 3:45 – 4:15 p.m. **Table Talk: Implications of Panel for Hill Visits** – Salon 4
- 4:15 – 4:30 p.m. **Wrap-up and Preview of Day Two** – Salon 4
- Carla Rynerson, Director, Government Affairs, Raben
- 4:30 – 5:00 p.m. **Raben “Office Hours” as Needed** – Studio D
- Evening **Dinner on Your Own**

Tuesday, June 4

- 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. **Networking Breakfast** – Salon 4
- 9:00 – 3:00 p.m. **Individual Media Training for State Leaders** – Studio C

- 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. **Lynn M. Gangone Remarks and Recognition**
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. **Federal Budget and Legislative Update and Overview of AACTE Priorities**
– Salon 4
Michael Yudin, Raben
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m. **Networking Break** – Pre-function Space
- 10:45 – 11:30 a.m. **Storytelling as an Advocacy Strategy**
Moderator: Christine Gentry
Chrissie McHenry, Managing Principal, Strategic Communication, Raben
Charles Barnes, Rowan University - Holmes Scholar
Ellen Kahn, Vice President of Programs and Partnerships, Human Rights Campaign
- 11:30 – 12:00 p.m. **Instructions for State Team Time** – Salon 4
Carla Rynerson, Raben
- 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. **Working Lunch for State Teams** – Salon 4
- 12:00 – 3:30 p.m. **Facilitated State Team Time to Prepare for Day on the Hill** – Salon 4
- 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. **“Office Hours” with AACTE Advocacy Team** - Salon 4
- 3:30 – 3:45 p.m. **Networking Break** – Pre-function Space
- 3:45 – 5:00 p.m. **Book Talk with Jane West**, author of *Advocating for the Common Good: People, Politics, Process, and Policy on Capitol Hill* – Salon 4
- 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Networking Reception** – Studio D
Informal Q&A for Holmes Scholars with Jane West – Studio C

Wednesday, June 5

- 7:00 – 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast** – Salon 4
- 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. **Transportation to Capitol Hill** – Hotel Lobby
- 9:00 – 5:00 p.m. **Day on the Hill:** Meetings with Representatives and Senators

Note: Because meetings may be scheduled on Capitol Hill until 5 p.m., please do not book departure travel prior to 7 p.m. ET on June 5.