



Council of the Great City Schools

Annual Legislative and Policy Conference

March 16 – 19, 2024

The Mayflower Hotel
1127 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20036

AGENDA

Saturday, March 16, 2024

8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Conference Registration	East Ballroom Foyer
8:00 am – 10:00 am	Continental Breakfast	East Ballroom
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Fall Conference Planning Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>68th Annual Fall Conference in Dallas</i>	South Carolina Room
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Task Force Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Black and Latino Young Men and Boys</i>	Grand Ballroom
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Task Force Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Black and Latina Young Women and Girls</i>	Grand Ballroom
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	The ABCs of Federal Education Policy <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>A “primer” on education policy in Washington</i>	State Ballroom
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Buffet Lunch	East Ballroom
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Executive Committee Lunch and Meeting (closed session)	Rhode Island Room
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Education Issues at the State Level (school districts only)	State Ballroom

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Legislative Liaisons Meeting (school districts only)	State Ballroom
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Task Force Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Achievement Gaps and Professional Development</i> 	Grand Ballroom
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Task Force Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Leadership, Governance, Management and Finance</i> 	Grand Ballroom
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Task Force Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>English Language Learners and Bilingual Education</i> 	East Room
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	New Members and Newcomers Orientation	State Room
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Welcome Reception at the Mayflower Hotel	Palm Court Ballroom

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Sunday, March 17, 2024

7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Conference Registration	East Ballroom Foyer
7:30 am – 9:30 am	Breakfast Buffet	Grand Ballroom
8:30 am – 12:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Spring Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Great City Schools</i> 	East Ballroom
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch and Speaker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amy Walter, Publisher and Editor-in-Chief The Cook Political Report 	Grand Ballroom
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Council of the Great City Colleges of Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>General Meeting</i> 	Virginia Room
2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Washington Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Briefing on federal education action provided by CGCS Legislative, Policy, and Legal Staff</i> 	State Ballroom
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Blue Ribbon Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Blue Ribbon Corporate Advisory Group</i> (by invitation only) 	Virginia Room

6:00 pm – 7:30 pm **Reception at the Mayflower Hotel: “Taste of Dallas”** **Palm Court Ballroom**

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Monday, March 18, 2024

7:30 am – 3:00 pm **Conference Registration** **East Ballroom Foyer**

8:00am – 9:15 am **Breakfast and Speaker** **Grand Ballroom**

- The Honorable Jessica Rosenworcel
Chairwoman
Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

9:15 am – 10:00 am **Biden Administration Priorities for Education and Children** **Grand Ballroom**

- Neera Tanden, Director
Domestic Policy Council
The White House

10:00 am – 11:00 am **Update on ARP-ESSER Spending and Close-Out** **State Ballroom**

- Adam Schott, Acting Assistant Secretary
Office of Elementary and Secondary Education
U.S. Department of Education
- Laura Jimenez, Director
Office of State and Grantee Relations
U.S. Department of Education

11:00 am – 12:00 pm **Education Priorities on Capitol Hill** **State Ballroom**

House Committee on Education and the Workforce

- RJ Martin, *Professional Staff Member for Chairwoman Virginia Foxx (R-NC)*
- Ilana Brunner, *General Counsel for Ranking Member Bobby Scott (D-VA)*

Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions

- Manuel Contreras, *Senior Education Director for Chairman Bernie Sanders (I-VT)*
- Hayley Sanon, *Education Policy Advisor for Ranking Member Bill Cassidy (R-LA)*

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm Lunch and Speaker Grand Ballroom

- The Honorable Miguel Cardona
United States Secretary of Education
U.S. Department of Education

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm Congressional Office Visits
(Make your own appointments)

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm Reception at the Mayflower Hotel Chinese Room

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Tuesday, March 19, 2024

8:00 am – 9:00 am Breakfast Buffet Chinese Room

9:00 am – 11:00 am Debriefing with Council Staff Chinese Room

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