



Council of the Great City Schools

Annual Legislative and Policy Conference

March 11 – 14, 2017

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

AGENDA

All conference sessions take place in the Mayflower Hotel unless otherwise noted.

Saturday, March 11, 2017

8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Conference Registration	Promenade 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>61st Annual Fall Conference in Cleveland</i>	South Carolina Room
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Blue Ribbon Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Blue Ribbon Corporate Advisory Group</i> (by invitation only)	Virginia Room
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
11:00 am – 1:00 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	Joint Meeting of the Task Forces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Achievement & Professional Development</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Framework for a High-Quality District Curriculum - Lessons from School Improvement Plans - Summary of Pre-Conference on Males of Color - Balanced Literacy Update 	Grand Ballroom
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Joint Meeting of the Task Forces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Governance, Leadership, and Management & School Finance</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Internal Auditing White Paper - Board of Education Governance - Strategic Support/Technical Assistance Teams 	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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improving Instructional Materials for ELLs - Professional Development Platform/Tool for Teachers - Executive Orders Related to Immigration 	East Room
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	New Members and Newcomers Orientation	Virginia Room
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Welcome Reception	Chinese Room

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Sunday, March 12, 2017

7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Conference Registration	Promenade Foyer
7:30 am – 9:30 am	Breakfast Buffet	East 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> 	Grand Ballroom
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch and Speaker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eugene Robinson, Opinion Columnist <i>The Washington Post</i> 	East 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:** **State Ballroom**
 • *Briefing on federal education action provided by
 CGCS Legislative Staff*

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

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Monday, March 13, 2017

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

8:00 am – 9:00 am **Breakfast and Speaker** **East Ballroom**
 • The Honorable Catherine Lhamon
 Chair
 U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

9:00 am – 10:00 am **U.S. Department of Education Staff Briefing** **State Ballroom**
 • *Monique Chism, Acting Assistant Secretary*
 Office of Elementary and Secondary Education
 • *Roberta Miceli, Deputy Director*
 Office of State Support

10:00 am – 11:00 am **Congressional Staff Briefing** **State Ballroom**
 House Committee on Education and the Workforce
 • *Brad Thomas, Majority Staff*
 • *Jacque Chevalier, Minority Staff*
 Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
 • *Kara Marchione, Minority Staff*

11:00 am – 12:00 pm **Immigration Policy Briefing** **State Ballroom**
 • *Jamie Fasteau, Director of Education Policy*
 Emerson Collective
 • *Anya McMurray, Director of Immigration Policy*
 Emerson Collective

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm **Lunch and Speaker** **East Ballroom**
 • The Honorable Betsy DeVos
 United States Secretary 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 14, 2017

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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