

RISE 2022

Networked: The Quest for Connectivity

July 27th and 28th, 2022 | THE RONALD REAGAN INSTITUTE | WASHINGTON, DC

850 16th Street NW, Washington, DC 20006

In-Person Agenda

Subject to Change

Format: This year, RISE will take place in a hybrid format, streaming to a large virtual audience while welcoming a small in-person audience at the new Ronald Reagan Institute Building in Washington, DC. The 27th will be completely virtual. All in-person guests will receive a link to view the virtual programming on the 27th. The summit will be in-person on the 28th at the Ronald Reagan Institute.

Theme: The theme of the summit, *Networked: The Quest for Connectivity*, endeavors to examine connectivity in its most literal sense, through broadband and infrastructure, as well as through the individual and systemic connections students need to thrive. As learners emerge from a global pandemic, battling a sense of seismic isolation and addressing holistic support will be critical to the education equation. Similarly, in the wake of generational investments in education, local school systems and state legislatures must work in concert to ensure that this opportunity equitably shifts our schools to prepare students for the challenges of the 22nd century.

July 27th, 2022

Virtual Agenda

- 11:00 AM ET** **The State of Education, Utah || A Conversation with Governor Spencer Cox**
Moderated by **John Arthur**, 2021 Utah Teacher of the Year
- 11:15 AM ET** **The State of Education, Colorado || A Conversation with Governor Jared Polis**
- 11:30 AM ET** **The State of Education, Arkansas || A Conversation with Governor Asa Hutchinson**
Moderated by **Fred Humphries**, Corporate Vice President of U.S Government Affairs for Microsoft
- 12:00 PM ET** **The State of Education, North Carolina || A Conversation with Governor Roy Cooper**
Moderated by **Dr. Javaid Siddiqi**, President & CEO of the Hunt Institute
- 12:30 PM ET** **The State of Education, Indiana || A Conversation with Governor Eric Holcomb**
Moderated by **Brian Payne**, President and CEO of the Central Indiana Community Foundation and The Indianapolis Foundation

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1:00 PM ET

The Council of Chief State School Officers || Connected Schools and Students

Dr. Jason Glass, Commissioner of Education for Kentucky

Dr. Penny Schwinn, Commissioner of Education for Tennessee

Dr. Katie Jenner, Secretary of Education for Indiana

Dr. Christina Grant, State Superintendent of Education for Washington, DC

Moderated by **Dr. Carissa Moffatt Miller**, CEO of the Council of Chief State School Officers

2:00 PM ET

The State of Education, Arizona || A Conversation with Governor Doug Ducey

Moderated by **Louise Dubé**, Executive Director of iCivics

2:15 PM ET

The State of Education, Missouri || A Conversation with Governor Mike Parson

Moderated by **Jeremy Anderson**, President of the Education Commission of the States

2:45 PM ET

Reducing Recidivism through Postsecondary Education Opportunities || The Importance of Carceral Education

Dr. Stanley Andrisse, Executive Director of From Prison Cells to Ph.D.

Sean Addie, Director of Correctional Education at the U.S. Department of Education

Dr. Belinda Wheeler, Senior Program Associate at the Vera Institute of Justice

Moderated by **Dr. Noel Vest**, Instructor at Stanford School of Medicine

3:30 PM ET

Reducing Recidivism through Postsecondary Education Opportunities || The State of Implementation

Robert Green, Secretary of the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services

Abigale Jasinsky, Deputy Director of Policy for Governor Bill Lee of Tennessee

Moderated by **Patrice Sulton**, Executive Director of DC Justice Lab

3:45 PM ET

Virtual Student Roundtable || Youth Voter Turnout in 2022

Annalese Cahill, **Lydia Noteman**, and **Austin Ezzard**

Facilitated by: **Alex Edgar**, **Natanya Koshy**, and **Jean Lin**

4:30 PM ET

The Need for High Speed || Addressing the Digital Divide

Kathryn De Wit, Project Director of the Broadband Access Initiative at The Pew Charitable Trusts

Angie Cooper, Chief Program Officer at Heartland Forward

Dr. Jeff Carlson, T-Mobile's Northeast K-12 Executive Leader

Moderated by **Cheretta Clerkley**, Chief Operations Officer of ISTE

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July 28th, 2022

In-Person Agenda

7:15 AM - 8:00 AM

Al & Denise Frink Legacy Hall || Networking and Breakfast

8:00 AM - 8:15 AM

Al & Denise Frink Legacy Hall || Welcome and Introductory Remarks

Fred Ryan, Chairman of the Board of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute

Roger Zakheim, Washington Director of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute

8:15 AM - 8:45 AM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || From Education to Employment

Voices from the current administration will discuss the education and workforce policies and programs that are working to connect our nation's students with economic opportunities.

Roberto Rodriguez, Assistant Secretary at the Department of Education

Manny Lamarre, Senior Advisor at the Department of Labor

8:50 AM - 9:30 AM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || Postsecondary Access and Adaptation

Leaders from diverse postsecondary institutions share the ways they have adapted and evolved to better support their student population in the wake of the pandemic.

Dr. Lori White, President of DePauw University

Dr. Morna Foy, President of Wisconsin Technical College System

Dr. John Woods, Chief Academic Officer & Provost at the University of Phoenix

Moderated by **Alexander Edgar**, RISE Student Advisor

9:30 AM - 9:40 AM

Morning Break

9:40 AM - 10:20 AM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || The Skills Gap

Key industries in the United States are threatened by the "skills gap," or the gap between the skills needed for a position and the workforce capable of fulfilling it. Industry leaders will discuss the innovative ways in which they are working to prepare students for the workforce of the future.

Chandra Brown, CEO Emeritus & Special Advisor, MxD

Danny King, CEO of Accredible

Maria Flynn, President & CEO of Jobs for the Future

Representative Jennifer Bacon, Colorado House of Representatives

Moderated by **Ali Monfre**, Senior Architect at Palantir Technologies

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10:25 AM - 11:05 AM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || **The Opportunity Dilemma**

In an era when high quality education is necessary but unequally distributed, conversations around access, opportunity, and choice have become increasingly polarized. This panel will constructively refocus and reframe the school choice debate, while acknowledging real concerns, barriers, and challenges.

Derrell Bradford, President of 50 CAN

Debbie Veney, Senior Vice President of Communications and Marketing at National Alliance

Dr. Steve Perry, Founder and Head of Schools at Capital Preparatory Schools

Naomi Shelton, CEO of National Charter Collaborative

Moderated by **Robert Pondiscio**, Senior Fellow at AEI

11:10 AM - 11:50 AM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || **Transforming the School Experience**

Leaders imagine and describe the post-pandemic classroom and school experience.

Marcus Blackwell, Founder & CEO of Make Music Count

Dr. Cade Brumley, State Superintendent of Louisiana Department of Education

Senator Elgie Sims, Illinois General Assembly

Lieutenant Governor Mike Foley, Nebraska

Moderated by **Dr. Lara Brown**, Director of the Graduate School of Political Management at George Washington University

11:55 AM - 12:35 PM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || **The Teachers of Tomorrow**

Recruiting and retaining teachers is a top-tier priority in every state. This panel examines the pathways to recruiting and inspiring a diverse talent pipeline that can best serve our students.

Dr. Tequilla Brownie, CEO of the New Teacher Project

Dr. Javaid Siddiqi, President & CEO of the Hunt Institute

Dr. Bernard Harris, President & CEO of the National Math and Science Initiative

Moderated by **Dr. Ashlee Louise Canty**, Director of Equity Initiatives at the Hunt Institute

12:15 PM - 1:15 PM

Rooftop Luncheon

1:15 PM - 2:05 PM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || **Afternoon Plenary: Connecting the Dots**

Education visionaries set the stage for the future of our school system. Leaders will discuss

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ways that we can connect our students to their learning, addressing issues such as SEL, mental health, and a disconnect in communications between national, state, and local entities.

Opening remarks by **Deputy Secretary Cindy Marten**, U.S. Department of Education
Secretary Arne Duncan, Managing Partner at Emerson Collective and 9th U.S. Secretary of Education

Bill Hansen, Former Deputy Secretary of Education; Virginia State Board of Education

Moderated by **Steven Clemons**, Founding Editor at Large, Semafor; Contributing Editor of The Hill

2:10 PM - 2:50 PM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || A Connected Higher Education Landscape

Against the backdrop of seismic disruption, state leaders of higher education discuss the immediate and systemic needs of their colleges and universities.

Dr. Sarah Armstrong Tucker, Chancellor of West Virginia Higher Education

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed, Commissioner of Higher Education in Louisiana

Dr. Aaron Thompson, President of the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education

Moderated by **Jeremy Bauer-Wolf**, Senior Reporter for Higher Ed Dive

2:50 PM - 3:00 PM

Afternoon Break

3:00 PM - 3:40 PM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || Students at Work

This generation of learners has proven engaged and efficacious in their civic engagement. Hear what students feel are priorities and needs in their learning journey.

Megan Bahr, Wisconsin Technical College System

Kira Canada, Lincoln High School

Emiliano Juarez, White Plains High School

David Spicer, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Moderated by **Romy Drucker**, Director of the Walton Family Foundation K-12 Education Program

3:50 PM - 4:30 PM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || A State Board Perspective: Ingredients for Student Success

Intentional efforts directed at ensuring each school has such a culture and system of supports is necessary now more than ever as the nation confronts a youth mental health crisis, growing achievement gaps, and challenges of declining enrollment and decreased engagement after more than two years of disrupted learning due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This panel will feature state board of education leaders who bring on-the-ground perspectives to this work.

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Kevin Bokoum, Student Member of the Maryland State Board of Education
Solyana Mesfin, Student Ex-Officio Representative of the Kentucky Board of Education
Dr. Karen DuBois-Walton, Chair of the Connecticut State Board of Education
Marisa Perez-Diaz, District 3 Board Member of the Texas State Board of Education
Moderated by **Paolo DeMaria**, President & CEO of the National Association of State Boards of Education

4:30 PM - 5:00 PM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || How to be an Education Governor

Leaders will provide insights on how to become an “education governor” who prioritizes education at the state level.

Governor Phil Bryant, Former Governor of Mississippi

Governor Bob Wise, Former Governor of West Virginia

Lieutenant Governor Jacqueline Coleman, Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky

Moderated by **Danielle Allen**, Director of the Edmond & Lily Safra Center for Ethics at Harvard University

5:00 PM - 6:15 PM

The Sutton Family Auditorium || An Educated Citizenry: A Conversation with U.S. Supreme Court Justices Sonia Sotomayor and Amy Coney Barrett *(Pre-Recorded Session)*

RISE is proud to feature this first-of-its-kind conversation between two Supreme Court Justices as they reflect on civics education, engagement, and civility as foundational to democracy.

Justice Sonia Sotomayor, Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court

Justice Amy Coney Barrett, Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court

Moderated by **Dr. Akhil Reed Amar**, Sterling Professor of Law and Political Science at Yale University