

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2017

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Registration	Salon A-D Pre-Function
11:15 - 12:15	Lunch	Salon E-H
12:15 - 12:30	Break	
12:30 - 12:35	Welcome	Salon A-D
<p>Master of Ceremonies: Mike Green, President, West Virginia State Board of Education Joyce McConnell, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, West Virginia University</p>		
12:35 - 12:45	Opening Remarks	Salon A-D
12:45 - 1:15	Opening Keynote: Education and the Economy	Salon A-D
<p>As a leader in the technology industry and a native West Virginian, Brad will offer his perspective on the changing needs of the workforce and the key role education plays in ensuring economic vitality.</p> <p>Brad Smith, Chairman and CEO, Intuit</p>		
1:15 - 1:30	Break	
1:30 - 2:30	Where We Are: Public Education in West Virginia	Salon A-D
<p>This session will focus on challenges and opportunities in West Virginia public education: ensuring that all students graduate ready for the workforce; designing assessment and accountability systems that work; and guaranteeing great teachers and leaders for all students.</p> <p>Facilitator: Scott Rotruck, Member, West Virginia State Board of Education</p> <p>Resource Experts: Dr. Frank Devono, Superintendent, Monongalia County Schools Chip Slaven, Counsel to the President and Senior Advocacy Advisor, The Alliance for Excellent Education</p>		
2:30 - 2:35	Break	
2:35 - 3:15	Moving Forward Together	Salon A-D
<p>Howard Seufer will call on his experience and deep expertise in education law to reflect on how West Virginia can build a broad coalition to advance quality education for all students.</p> <p>Howard E. Seufer, Jr. Partner, Bowles Rice LLP</p>		
3:15 - 3:30	Break	
3:30 - 4:30	How to Get to Where We Want to Be: Funding Models that Work	Salon A-D
<p>This expert panel will discuss how states pay for education both nationally and in West Virginia – including understanding local, state and federal contributions and what research says about effectiveness and efficiency within systems.</p> <p>Facilitator: Dr. James Denova, Vice President, Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation</p> <p>Resource Experts: Dr. John Deskins, Director, Bureau of Business and Economic Research; Assistant Dean, WVU College of Business and Economics Mike McKown, Director, West Virginia State Budget Office Mark Muchow, Deputy Secretary, West Virginia Department of Revenue Dan Thatcher, Program Principal, National Conference of State Legislatures</p>		
4:30 - 4:45	West Virginia Spotlight: Flood Recovery and Public Education	Salon A-D
4:45 - 5:30	Break	

5:30 - 6:00	Reception	Salon E-H
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6:00 - 8:00	Dinner	Salon E-H
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Discussion: Reflecting on Education as an Economic Driver in West Virginia

This informal discussion will allow our distinguished panel of business and education leaders to reflect both on what they heard throughout the day and on what the future holds for West Virginia and our education system.

Introduction and Welcome: **Dr. E. Gordon Gee**, President, West Virginia University

Facilitator: **Brad Smith**, Chairman and CEO, Intuit

Resource Experts:

Steve Hedrick, President and CEO, Mid-Atlantic Technology, Research and Innovation Center

Holly Kauffman, President, West Virginia Operations, FirstEnergy

Dr. Johnny Moore, President, Pierpont Community and Technical College

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7:30 AM - 8:15 AM	Breakfast	Salon E-H
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8:15 - 8:30	Opening	Salon E-H
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8:30 - 9:30	Table Discussions: Legislators and Educators	Salon E-H
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Legislators and educators will dialogue in small groups, focusing on how policy translates into practice in classrooms around the state. Legislators will have the opportunity to ask questions of some of our best teachers and educational administrators and to share their own insights on the discussions with the larger group.

Educators:

Karen Modzik-Collins, Principal, Mountainview Elementary School, Monongalia County

Susie Skowronski, Academic Coach, Mountainview Elementary School, Monongalia County

Melissa DeWitt, Principal, East Dale Elementary School, Marion County

Tracy Rogers, Second Grade Teacher, East Dale Elementary School, Marion County

Karen Finamore, Principal, Fairmont Senior High School, Marion County

Toni Poling, English Teacher, Fairmont Senior High School, Marion County, WV 2017 Teacher of the Year

9:30 - 9:45	Break	
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9:45 - 10:00	Welcome	Salon A-D
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Dr. E. Gordon Gee, President, West Virginia University

10:00 - 11:00	Building and Supporting Excellent Teachers and Education Leaders	Salon A-D
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Research shows that teachers and schools leaders are the most important in-school factors in determining student success. This session will focus on re-envisioning how teachers are trained and how West Virginia can advance excellent teaching, learning and leading.

Facilitator: **Dr. Gypsy Denzine**, Dean of the College of Education and Human Services, West Virginia University

Resource Experts:

Dr. Teresa Eagle, Dean, College of Education and Professional Development, Marshall University

Dr. Francesca Forzani, Associate Director, TeachingWorks, University of Michigan

11:00 - 11:45	How Expeditionary Learning Impacts the Economy	Salon A-D
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Ron Berger will discuss how Expeditionary Learning schools develop students into citizens and prepare them for the workforce and post-secondary education.

Ron Berger, Chief Academic Officer, Expeditionary Learning

Respondents:

Danielle Irby, Teacher, Explorer Academy

Ryan McKenzie, Principal, Explorer Academy

11:45 - 12:00 PM	Closing: Education and the Economy	Salon A-D
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Former North Carolina Governor Jim Hunt will discuss his work over 16 years in office to support and advance education as a lever for economic development.

Governor James B. Hunt, Jr. Chair, The Hunt Institute Foundation Board, Former Governor of North Carolina | 1977-1985; 1993-2001

12:00	Lunch	Salon E-H
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