

Friday Registration: 6:30 pm -9:00 pm		
Saturday and Sunday Registration: 7:00 am-9:30 am		
Friday Special Session: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm		
<i>Diane Ravitch and James Harvey: A Nation at Risk: The Hoax That Harmed the Schools</i>	Massachusetts	Forty years after its publication, Diane discusses <i>A Nation at Risk</i> and its implications with James Harvey, who was in the room during its creation.
Saturday Opening Keynotes and Breakfast: 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.		
	Presidential Ballroom	<i>Diane Ravitch and Gloria Ladson Billings</i>
Saturday: Session 1 9:45 am-10:55 am		
Session Title	Room	Description
When Privatization Becomes Personal	Massachusetts	Indiana public school advocates will discuss realistic and proven approaches on how to communicate the effects of charters and vouchers to district communities.
Power in Numbers: Building a Coalition	Federal A	Florida public school advocates will present successful coalition building techniques--among community members and with teacher unions.
Ed Reform 2.0: The New Playbook	Federal B	This panel will survey the state of the ed reform movement by tracing what the principal players have been writing and speaking about.
The School Voucher Illusion: Exposing the Pretense of Equity (streamed)	Congressional	This session exposes how voucher advocates cynically used equity arguments to get their foot in the door that has been pried wide open to subsidize affluent private school families.
Mobilizing Faith Leaders As Public Education Allies	Pan American	This workshop will explore grassroots strategies to identify, recruit, train, and commission pastors, rabbis, imams, and lay congregational leaders for public education advocacy and the fight against the privatization of public education, especially through vouchers and charters.
Lessons from LA and Oakland....One STRIKE at a Time	South America B	Participants will learn how to harness worker strength through participation, parent coalitions, and student engagement in order to win at the bargaining table and in the streets.

Saturday: Session 2 11:05 am-12:15 pm		
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Here's How to Fight Back Against Private School Vouchers	Federal A	Panelists from Public Funds Public Schools and ally organizations will share examples of materials, tools and actions that are crucial for defeating voucher legislation and pushing back against existing voucher programs.
Fighting for Our Democracy and Our Students: The State Takeover of Houston ISD (streamed)	Congressional	Houston community members and teachers will discuss how they are fighting back against the hostile takeover of the Houston Public School District by the state.
Countering False Charter Narratives	Federal B	Texas analysts show how they created an interactive map to counteract the false narrative that charter schools promote in order to expand.
Arizona's Universal ESA Voucher Fiasco: What Can (and Will) Go Wrong with Vouchers for All	South America B	Learn how Save Our Schools Arizona is pushing back and successfully making the case to the public for a full rollback of the universal program in the first state in the nation to pass universal ESA vouchers.
Groundhog Day: The 26 Year Push for Charter School Reform in Pennsylvania	Pan American	Pennsylvanians provide an overview of charter and cyber charter implementation in PA and who needed reforms have been so hard to win.
Can You Un-portfolio a District? Lessons From Denver Public Schools	Massachusetts	The workshop will feature a panel discussion of the challenges facing portfolio districts in the face of enrollment decline, with a specific focus on Denver Public Schools.
Lunch Keynote: 12:25 pm - 2:10 pm.	Presidential Ballroom	<i>Marvin Dunn. Awards: Diane Ravitch David Award and Grassroots Award</i>
Saturday: Session 3 2:20 pm - 3:30 pm		
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Out with the New, In With the Old: Using Parent Engagement to Create Effective School Board Leaders (NPE Action)	Pan American	The workshop provides an overview of the Parent Engagement Program, a nationally recognized curriculum that produces parents who grasp the importance of collaborating with schools in leadership programs through Parents for Public Schools, Inc.
Religious Charter Schools: How Did We Get Here, and What Does It Mean?	Federal A	This researcher- and lawyer-led workshop examines the legal issues surrounding religious charter schools and their implications for policy, practice and politics.
Impact of Privatizing NC Public Education: Discrimination and Segregation Funded by Tax Dollars	Massachusetts	This workshop will explain how school choice in North Carolina through school vouchers and charter schools have resulted in significant discrimination and segregation in our schools and in some cases, fraudulent use of tax dollars.
Defending Public Education in Florida - School Board Perspectives & 2024 Elections (NPE Action)	Federal B	This workshop will share the experience of Florida school board members and the impact of the increased politicization of educational issues and school board races.
Organizing Across the States	South America B	In this session, representatives of a multi-state coalition from Arizona, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Florida, and Nebraska will share some of the things we've learned by comparing what's working and what's not, and explore avenues for further collaboration that would benefit public school students nationwide.
Empowering Community Schools Through Impactful Policy: An Overview of Best Practices to Create Loving Educational Spaces (streamed)	Congressional	Join representatives from the Alliance to Reclaim Our Schools and of the Schott Foundation's Opportunity to Learn Policy Commission for a robust discussion on federal policy opportunities for advancing Community Schools and supporting equity and justice through public education.
Saturday: Session 4 3:40 pm- 4:50 pm		
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WTF: What The Florida (streamed)	Congressional	Florida advocates share the signs along the road to privatization and how, leaning from the destruction of public ed in their states, others can be on the offensive to protect public education before it's too late.
Changing the Dialogue from Vouchers Schemes to Community Schools	Federal A	This panel will unravel school privatization efforts, but more importantly, learn about the community school model, from theory to implementation with a success story here in the DC are
In Defense of Early Childhood Education and Care	Pan American	Learn about DEY's national campaign to restore the link between high quality and early childhood and how you can participate in the work.
The Other Privatization of Education	Massachusetts	In this interactive workshop, participants will learn about the outsourcing of Education Support Professionals, including new threats from private-public partnerships and private equity; as well as positive, proactive ways to counter the privatization of these critical school professionals.
From Congress to the Statehouse: Effective Advocacy for Public Education (NPE Action)	Federal B	Participants will learn how to effectively advocate for the education issues they care about from a former lobbyist, a state legislator and a parent active in advocacy campaigns.
We Are the Leaders We've Been Waiting For: Lessons from the Midwest	South America B	This panel conversation with state leaders and organizers from Wisconsin and Indiana opens a conversation on how we can best come together, maximize our impact, build a base of future leaders, and use what power and influence we have in the roles we hold to stand up for students attending our public schools.
Keynote: 5:00 pm-5:50	Presidential Ballroom	<i>Julian Vasquez Heilig in Conversation with Josh Cowen and Jon Hale. The Mother Crusader Award.</i>
Reception and Book Signing: 6:00 pm	Capital Terrace	

Special Session: Tik Tok Takedown	Congressional	Jessica Piper and Rob Rogers share their strategies on how to use the new social media for effective public school advocacy.
Sunday: Session 5 8:00 am -9:05 am		
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PUBLIC SCHOOLS UNITE US: How Wisconsin Came Together to Protect Students' Freedom to Learn and Elect Public Education Champions (NPE Action)	Massachusetts	In the face of book bans and bad bills, attacks on equity and on public schools themselves, Wisconsin advocates share lessons learned from real wins and losses across the state and messaging tools for coming together to keep the focus on students' needs, even when things get ugly at the local level.
Equity or Else; Building and Winning Anti-Racist Quality of Life Policy	Federal A	The Journey for Justice Alliance and the Equity or Else campaign members will engage in a panel discussion/work session interrogating racism and the aftermath it leaves in Black, Brown, Indigenous and working class communities.
Ensuring Adequate Building Conditions (ABCs) for School Facility Conditions: Creating Campaigns for Information, Standards, and Improvements	Pan American	This session will provide resources, tools, and strategies to local organizers, advocacy groups, and stakeholders to help advocate for changes to school facility policy and management practices that ensure safe school buildings for students and teachers.
State Takeovers: Lessons NOT Learned	Federal B	This session will provide critical descriptions and information from those who have seen state takeovers firsthand to teach the damage to communities and schools that occurs when districts experience a hostile takeover by the state.
Religious Freedom and the Fight Against Privatization: Protecting Religious Freedom by Defending Public Education	South America B	The workshop will explain how private school vouchers, and the proposal of religious charter schools, threaten the religious freedom of students, teachers, taxpayers, and religious schools themselves.
Documenting the Educational Exodus (streamed)	Congressional	This presentation shares research and film footage that pieces together the educational exodus of American teachers in America through interviews, photos, and facts.

Brunch: 9:15-10:50 Keynote	Presidential Ballroom	<i>Diane Ravitch in Conversation with Randi Weingarten and Becky Pringle. Welcome to Washington: Congressman Jamaal Bowman</i>
Sunday: Session 6 11:00 am -12:05 pm		
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Schools of Opportunity: 10 Research-Based Models of Equity in Action	Pan American	This workshop, which arises out of the National Education Policy Center’s “Schools of Opportunity” Project, highlights public high schools that are using research-based practices to close opportunity gaps, presenting an alternative to the nation’s imbalanced focus on standardized test scores.
Truth Rising (streamed)	Congressional	Leading Board Members from Uniting to Save Our Schools will share their 2023 Campaign of Critical Dialogues efforts to fight for truth and equity in our nation’s public schools.
Starving Our Schools Through Tax Abatements: How to Document and Stop It	Federal A	The new requirement that school districts reveal how much revenue they lose to tax abatements is powering fights to protect school budgets from New York to Louisiana and from Missouri to South Carolina; join experts to learn how.
The Art of Educating Your Representative (NPE Action)	Federal B	Letty Mederos, a pro-public education advocate and former Chief of Staff to Congresswoman Rosa De Lauro, will share best practices in how to help educate your representatives on the issues surrounding public education.
Pushing Back Against Extremists at the School Board Level	South America B	This workshop will share strategies to use when right-wing extremists make attempts to takeover your local school board.
Providing Quality Public Education For Every Child	Massachusetts	Participants will learn how to create legislative agendas that promote diverse curricula and discourage privatization.
Sunday Session 7: 12:15 pm - 1:20 pm		
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Fighting Privatization by Winning Community Schools	Federal A	This panel will teach what a community school is, explain how the model is being won and implemented in a number of states, and show how it's improving the lives (and test scores) of students from suburban Florida to downtown Los Angeles.
Voucher Costs - Calculation and Mobilization	Federal B	Participants will learn about methods for calculating the cost of vouchers, communication strategies that highlight vouchers' impact on school funding, and grass top to grass roots approaches that empower education advocates.
Who Taught You? An Engaging Grassroots Effort to Recruit and Retain Teachers	Massachusetts	One 20-year veteran teacher, a rookie teacher who left mid-way through her third year teaching, along with the founders of Who Taught You and the I Love Public Schools campaign, will share 3 easy-to-implement strategies to recruit and retain educators.
The Fight to Protect Student Privacy at the State and Federal Level	Pan American	Panelists will describe ongoing efforts to protect student privacy at both the state and federal levels.
Merchants of Deception: Astroturf Parent Groups and Their Agenda	South America B	This workshop will provide participants with the tools they can use to expose groups that purport to represent parents, like Moms for Liberty, as well as resources for organizing and advocating against their dangerous agenda.
Inside the Secret Right Wing Plan to Take Down the Education System as We Know It. (streamed)	Congressional	Nick Surgey and his Documented team speak with Diane and share recorded the in-the-room conversations of millionaires and billionaires being sold a plan to destroy public education.
Final Keynote: 1:30 pm-2:30 pm	Presidential Ballroom	<i>Georgina Perez and Call to Action Resolutions</i>