



AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Planning for the Trump Administration and the 115th Congress



KEY AACCC MESSAGES

- Student Population Reflects the Nation
 - We reach all corners of the nation.
 - We strive to be inclusive campuses.
- Colleges Retain Their Strong Workforce Orientation
 - Election outcome reflects support for this mission.
- Colleges Remain Under Tremendous Financial Pressure
 - Dropping enrollments
 - Latest NSC data

KEY AACCC MESSAGES

- Infrastructure Needs Are Acute
- Reform is Ongoing
 - Guided pathways
 - Developmental education
 - Better-targeted workforce expenditures
 - Student academic counseling
- Reduced Prestige of Higher Education Institutions and Questioning of Value of College is a Reality
 - Despite increasing value of higher education

NEW KEY PLAYERS

- Secretary of Education: Betsy DeVos



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- Secretary of Labor: Andy Puzder



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- Office of Management and Budget: Mick Mulvaney



- Domestic Policy Council: Robert Goad

KEY CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS

- House Education and the Workforce Committee
 - New chair: Virginia Foxx (R-NC)
 - Bobby Scott (D-VA) remains ranking member.
- Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee
 - Sens. Lamar Alexander (R-TN) and Patty Murray (D-WA) remain as chair and ranking member, respectively.

IMPORTANT ISSUES TO WATCH

- Funding
- DACA Policy
- Regulatory Relief (and Improvement)
 - Title IX
 - GE
 - State authorization
- HEA Reauthorization/ Budget Reconciliation
- Accreditation/ Value Proposition of HE

IMPORTANT ISSUES TO WATCH

- Infrastructure Initiative – CC Proposal is on Table
- Campus Climate and Nature of Educational Programs, Faculty
- Perkins Act Reauthorization
- Workforce Initiative – TAACCT

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