



COUNCIL for OPPORTUNITY in EDUCATION

## 2017 ANNUAL POLICY SEMINAR AGENDA

### Monday, March 20

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.  
Regency A  
(Ballroom Level)

**Government Relations Committee Meeting**  
*Optional pre-conference meeting of the Government  
Relations Committee of COE's Board of Directors*

6:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Regency D  
(Lobby Level)

**Orientation for Hill Team Leaders**

### Tuesday, March 21

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Regency Foyer  
(Ballroom Level)

**Registration**

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.  
Regency Ballroom  
(Ballroom Level)

**Advocacy & Activism: Now More Than Ever**  
*Opening remarks from COE President Maureen Hoyler*

9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.  
Regency Ballroom  
(Ballroom Level)

**What's Really Happening in Washington, DC?**  
*An exclusive panel featuring insights from Washington DC insiders.*

10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  
Regency Ballroom  
(Ballroom Level)

**What Federal Budget?**  
*A fun look at the federal budget process with noted expert Stan  
Collender*

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Regency Ballroom  
(Ballroom Level)

**The Do's and Don'ts of Successful Advocacy:  
The Congressional Staff Perspective**  
*Congressional aides offer their perspective about the best way  
advocates can effectively share their message on Capitol Hill.*

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

**Lunch Break (on your own)**

1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.  
Regency Ballroom  
(Ballroom Level)

**Been There, Done That: Tips and Tricks from  
Policy Seminar Veterans**  
*Insights and advice for Hill visits from seasoned TRIO professionals*

**NAMETAGS REQUIRED FOR ADMISSION TO ALL SESSIONS**

**2:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
*Regency Ballroom  
(Ballroom Level)*

**Congressional Speaker**  
TBA

**3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.**  
*Regency Ballroom  
(Ballroom Level)*

**Congressional Speaker**  
TBA

**3:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

**Break**

**4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**  
*Regency Ballroom  
(Ballroom Level)*

**TRIO Family Feud**  
*Cheer for your regional representative as you test your Capitol Hill knowledge!*

**5:45 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**  
TBA

**Breakout Sessions in Preparation for Capitol Hill**  
*A discussion of talking points and strategies for specific TRIO programs as well as students and alumni.*

**6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**Teams Meet to Prepare for Hill Day**  
*Get your questions answered and prepare with your team for the 2017 TRIO Day on Capitol Hill! COE staff will be present to answer any questions you may have.*

### Wednesday, March 22

**8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
*Off-Site*

**Visits to Congressional Offices**  
*Meetings on Capitol Hill with your Members of Congress.*

**6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.**  
*Regency Ballroom  
(Ballroom Level)*

**Hill Feedback Debriefing Session**  
*A recap of the day's successes on Capitol Hill.*