

# SREB Legislative Advisory Council 2019 Winter Meeting

The Ritz Carlton Atlanta  
Atlanta, Georgia  
November 15-17

## Agenda

All meeting sessions are in The Plaza Ballroom, second floor

### Friday, November 15

6:30 p.m.      Reception and Dinner  
*Georgian Room, lobby level*

### Saturday, November 16

7:30 – 9:00 a.m.      Breakfast Buffet  
*The Director's Room and Lounge, second floor*

9:30 a.m.      *Morning sessions*

#### Report Out: Goals 2030 Discussion

For the past 10 years, much of SREB's work has been built on its Challenge to Lead 2020 Goals for Education, the foundation of SREB states' continuing drive "to lead the nation in educational progress." Partnering with the compact states, SREB is embarking on a process to update the Goals for the coming decade — help design these critical benchmarks of educational progress.

Stephen Pruitt, SREB President

College and Career Readiness: Putting the Pieces Together

Facing the reality that automation and AI will change the workforce in the next 10 years, states are looking at how to prepare students for the middle- and high-skills jobs that will be available. Our discussion will focus on legislative changes made in Kentucky and Arkansas that resulted in a clearer focus on exactly what “career-ready” means.

John Michael Lee, SREB Vice President for  
Development and Policy Research  
Stephen Pruitt  
Mike Wilson, State Senator, Kentucky

12:00 p.m.

Luncheon and Business Meeting of the SREB Legislative  
Advisory Council

*The Director’s Room and Lounge*

Presiding: John “Bam” Carney, State Representative,  
Kentucky

1:30 p.m.

*Afternoon sessions*

Better Supports for Student Success

Data show that schools need to address the social and emotional well-being of students — how are states addressing this? Discussion will highlight actions schools and districts have taken to support students dealing with trauma, suicide, and other burdens that negatively impact their success.

Scott Warren, SREB Making Schools Work Division  
Director

## The ABC'S of Partnerships to Strengthen the Educator Workforce

### A – Supporting STEM and CTE teachers

SREB helps schools and districts recruit, train and retain career-technical and STEM teachers through high-quality professional learning and coaching services. Teaching to Lead helps professionals from business and industry become great teachers, and our literacy professional development helps academic and career-technical teachers create literacy-based assignments that engage students in all subject areas.

Scott Warren

Dale Winkler, SREB Vice President for School Improvement

### B – Human Capital Roundtables

SREB's Education Human Capital Roundtable project is beginning to help diverse groups of state leaders and policymakers improve teacher workforce policies. Each state has their own specific challenges, but all are trying to figure out how to reverse the current teacher shortage trends. Our Roundtable convenings provide policymakers with a forum to analyze the challenges, data and research and collaboratively explore innovative solutions.

Megan Boren, SREB Program Specialist

### C – Preparing Teachers to Teach Elementary Reading and Math

States across the region have been working to improve early reading instruction, and now some are beginning to look at elementary math instruction as well. This session will highlight key aspects of teacher preparation for early grades reading and math and discuss how states can ensure that early grades teachers are equipped to build strong foundations for their students.

Samantha Durrance, SREB Policy Analyst

6:30 p.m.

Reception and Dinner

*Georgian Room*

**Sunday, November 17**

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast Buffet  
*The Director's Room and Lounge*

8:30 a.m. Dual Enrollment  
Growing numbers of high school students use dual enrollment to earn college credit while finishing high school. Although dual enrollment has typically been understood to improve time to degree completion, there are challenges for students, school districts and colleges and universities. Dual enrollment programs can help states reach their college completion and workforce readiness goals while seamless dual enrollment programs can help broaden access and equity in postsecondary education for many. This session will highlight the successes and challenges of dual enrollment in your state and allow participants to brainstorm solutions resulting in greater student success.

Stevie Lawrence, SREB Vice President for Postsecondary Education

10:00 a.m. Break  
*Hotel check-out time is 12:00 p.m.*

You Choose the Topic Roundtables

Take the opportunity to discuss pressing education topics with your peers and SREB staff. Topics will be chosen from attendee suggestions at the start of meeting.

Closing Comments and Adjournment

11:30 a.m. Lunch  
*The Director's Room and Lounge*