



Education Commission of the States Presidents and Chairs: 1965 to Present

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS/PRESIDENTS

Wendell H. Pierce, Executive Director
1967-76

Warren Hill, Executive Director
1976-80

Robert Andringa, Executive Director
1980-84

Frank Newman, President
1985-99

Ted Sanders, President
2000-05

Piedad F. Robertson, President
2005-06

Roger Sampson, President
2007-12

Jeremy Anderson, President
2012-Present

CHAIRS

John H. Chaffee, Rhode Island
1965-66

Charles L. Terry Jr., Delaware
1966-67

Calvin L. Rampton, Utah
1967-68

Robert E. McNair, South Carolina
1968-69

Tom McCall, Oregon
1969-70

Russell W. Peterson, Delaware
1970-71

Robert W. Scott, North Carolina
1971-72

Winfield Dunn, Tennessee
1972-73

Reubin Askew, Florida
1973-74

John C. West, South Carolina
1974-75

Arch A. Moore Jr., West Virginia
1975-76

Jerry Apodaca, New Mexico
1976-77

Otis P. Bowen, Indiana
1977-78

Dixy Lee Ray, Washington
1978-79

William G. Milliken, Michigan
1979-80

Robert Graham, Florida
1980-81

Robert D. Ray, Iowa
1981-82

James B. Hunt Jr., North Carolina
1982-83

Pierre S. Dupont, Delaware
1983-84

Charles S. Robb, Virginia, 1984-85
Initiative: **Business and Education Reform**

Thomas H. Kean, New Jersey, 1985-86
Initiative: **Teacher Renaissance:
Improving Undergraduate Education**

Bill Clinton, Arkansas, 1986-87
Initiative: **Speaking of Leadership**



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John Ashcroft, Missouri, 1987-88
Initiative: Family Involvement in the Schools

Rudy Perpich, Minnesota, 1988-89
Initiative: Partners In Learning: Linking
College Mentors With At-Risk Schools

Garrey E. Carruthers, New Mexico, 1989-90
Initiative: Sharing Responsibility for Success

Booth Gardner, Washington, 1990-91
Initiative: All Kids Can Learn

John R. Mckernan, Maine, 1991-92
Initiative: Keeping The Promises of Reform

Evan Bayh, Indiana, 1992-93
Initiative: Education for a
Revitalized Democracy

Jim Edgar, Illinois, 1993-94
Initiative: Building Communities
that Support Education Reform

Roy Romer, Colorado, 1994-95
Initiative: Making Quality Count
in Undergraduate Education

Tommy Thompson, Wisconsin, 1995-96
Initiative: Connecting Learning and Work

Terry Branstad, Iowa, 1996-97
Initiative: Harnessing Technology
for Teaching and Learning

Zell Miller, Georgia, 1997-98
Initiative: Investing In Student Achievement

Paul E. Patton, Kentucky, 1998-99
Initiative: Transforming
Postsecondary Education

Jim Geringer, Wyoming, 1999-2000
Initiative: In Pursuit Of Quality Teaching

Jeanne Shaheen, New Hampshire, 2000-01
Initiative: Early Learning: Improving
Results for Young Children

Kenny Guinn, Nevada, 2001-02
Initiative: Leading for Literacy

Roy Barnes, Georgia, 2002-03
Initiative: Closing the Achievement Gap

Mark Warner, Virginia, 2003-04
Initiative: High-Quality Teachers
for Hard-To-Staff Schools

Mike Huckabee, Arkansas, 2004-06
Initiative: The Arts: A Lifetime of Learning

Kathleen Sebelius, Kansas, 2006-08
Initiative: Great Teachers for Tomorrow

Tim Pawlenty, Minnesota
2008-11

John Hickenlooper, Colorado
2011-13

Brian Sandoval, Nevada, 2013-15
Initiative: English Language Learners

Steve Bullock, Montana, 2015-17
Initiative: Dual Enrollment

Phil Bryant, Mississippi, 2017-19
Initiative: Early Learning

Tom Wolf, Pennsylvania
2019-21

Kim Reynolds, Iowa
2021-22

Asa Hutchinson, Arkansas
2022-23
Initiative: Computer Science Education