



EDUCATION COMMISSION OF THE STATES PRESIDENTS AND CHAIRS: 1965 TO PRESENT

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1967-76

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1976-80

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1980-84

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1985-99

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2000-05

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2005-06

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2007-12

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2012-Present

CHAIRS

JOHN H. CHAFFEE, Rhode Island
1965-66

CHARLES L. TERRY JR., Delaware
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1968-69

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1969-70

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1971-72

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1973-74

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1975-76

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1976-77

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1977-78

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1978-79

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1979-80

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1980-81

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1981-82

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1982-83

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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