

**Press Release**



# MEDIA ADVISORY: ACCOUNTABILITY & THE ESEA: WHAT'S BEST FOR STUDENTS?

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***The American Action Forum and the American Enterprise Institute Host a Discussion on the Role of the Federal Government In Education***

**WASHINGTON-** The American Action Forum and the American Enterprise Institute will host a discussion about accountability as it relates to the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) on Wednesday, October 12 from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. at the Longworth House Office Building. Lunch will be provided.

The current debate over the future of No Child Left Behind has renewed discussion around the country over the role of the federal government in education. The panelists will address several of the critical questions coming out of the debate.

Panelists will discuss what the appropriate role for the federal government is when it comes to transparency, holding schools accountable, and crafting interventions. What can the federal government usefully do? What roles must states and school districts play? What responsibilities must lay with parents and how can policymakers help equip them with essential tools and information? And finally, how does Republican legislation to reform portions of NCLB compare with Obama's proposals?

**What:** The Health Insurance Coverage Effects of the Affordable Care Act

**When:** 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2011

**Where:** Committee on House Administration, Longworth 1310  
Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC

**RSVP:** To confirm attendance at this event email [pressrsvp@americanactionnetwork.org](mailto:pressrsvp@americanactionnetwork.org) with the name of the reporter and outlet.

**Agenda:**

**12:00 p.m. Registration**

**12:40 p.m. Introduction:** Douglas Holtz-Eakin, President of the American Action Forum

**12:45 p.m. Keynote Address:** Sen. Michael Bennet (D-CO)

**12:55 p.m. Panel Discussion:**

Frederick M. Hess, American Enterprise Institute

Cynthia Brown, Center for American Progress

Michael Petrilli, Thomas B. Fordham Institute

**1:10 p.m. Q&A**

**1:30 p.m. Adjournment**